Votes
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 19 AUGUST, 1919.

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-fourth day of July, 1919, of which a copy was read by the Clerk as follows:—

"NEW SOUTH WALES, FINC."

"TO WIT." (L.S.)

"W. E. DAVIDSON,

"GOVERNOR,"

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

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

"By His Excellency's Command,

"GEORGE W. FULLER.

"GOD SAVE THE KING!"

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR:—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted, delivered the following Message:—"His Excellency the Governor commands me to let you know that he desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Legislative Council Chamber." The House went, and being returned,—

3. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICTS OF PETERSHAM AND PADDINGTON.—The Clerk announced that during the recess he had received, through the Office of the Colonial Secretary, Writs which had been issued by His Excellency the Governor in pursuance of Section 71 of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, for the election of Members to serve in the Legislative Council for the Electoral Districts named.

(1.) Electoral District of Petersham, in the room of the Honorable John Jacob Cohen, resigned, the said Writ having been duly returned to His Excellency the Governor, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of Sydney James Shillington, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

(2.) Electoral District of Paddington, in the room of John Percy Osborne, Esquire, resigned, the said Writ having been duly returned to His Excellency the Governor, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of Lawrence Joseph O'Hara, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

(3.) Electoral District of Paddington, in the room of Lawrence Joseph O'Hara, Esquire, deceased, the said Writ having been duly returned to His Excellency the Governor, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of John Edward Birt, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

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4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS:—The Clerk informed the House that he had received, through the Premier's Office, a Commission, under the hand of His Excellency the Governor, and bearing the Seal of the State, authorizing the Honorable William Arthur Holman, Premier, the Honorable Sir George Warburton Fullcr, Colonial Secretary, and the Honorable David Robert Hall, Minister for Housing, Members of the Legislative Assembly, or any one or more of them, to administer the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to the King, required by law to be taken or made and subscribed by every Member before he shall be permitted to sit or vote in the Legislative Assembly,—which Commission the Clerk read, 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, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorize the Honorable William Arthur Holman, Premier, the Honorable Sir George Warburton Fullcr, Colonial Secretary, the Honorable David Robert Hall, Minister for Housing, Members of the Legislative Assembly, or any one or more of them, to administer to all or any Members or Member of the said Legislative Assembly, 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 of New South Wales, at Sydney, in the State aforesaid, this fourteenth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth.


W. E. DAVIDSON.
Governor.

By this Excellency's Command,

J. C. L. FITZPATRICK."

5. MEMBERS SWORN:—The undermentioned gentlemen were introduced, and having each taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took their Seats as Members for the Electoral Districts respectively named:—

John Edward Ent, Esquire,—for Paddington.
Major Sydney James Shillington,—for Petersham.

And the undermentioned gentlemen having each taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took their seats as Members for the Electoral Districts respectively named:—

Captain the Honorable Ambrose Campbell Carmichael,—for Leichhardt.
Captain Frank Augustus Chaffey,—for Tamworth.

6. VACANCY OF THE SPEAKERSHIP:—The Clerk announced that on the 30th January last, he received the following letter from Mr. Speaker:—

"Speaker's Room, Sydney,
30 January, 1919.

"I beg to tender my resignation as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

"Yours faithfully,

W. S. Mew, Esq.
"JOHN J. COHEN."

7. ELECTION OF SPEAKER:—Mr. Holman, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), acquainted the House that His Excellency the Governor had been informed of the resignation by the Honorable John Jacob Cohen of the office of Speaker of this House, and it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen forthwith, it was His Excellency's desire that the Members of the Legislative Assembly be invited to proceed to the election of one of their number as Speaker.

The Honorable John Perry, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), moved,—"That Percy Breton Colquhoun do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,"—which motion was seconded by Mr. Robson.

And Mr. Colquhoun having submitted himself to the House,—

Mr. Mark F. Morton addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down) moved,—"That Daniel Levy, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,"—which motion was seconded by Mr. Bevin.

And Mr. Levy having submitted himself to the House,—

Mr. Johnston, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down) moved,—"That Robert James Stuart-Robertson, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,"—which motion was seconded by Mr. Lang.

And Mr. Stuart-Robertson having submitted himself to the House,—

Debate ensued.

Question put by the Clerk,—"That Percy Breton Colquhoun, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker."—
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The House divided.

Ayes, 14.
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Beves, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bir, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Bushell, Mr. George Cann, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Celphion, Mr. Cool, Mr. Davidon, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doak, Mr. O. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. Manning, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. R. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Estell, Mr. J. O. L. Fitzpatrick, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Gardner, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Graisome, Mr. Price, Mr.绿化, Major Shillington, Mr. Holman, Mr. Rossiter, Mr. Holman, Mr. John Storey, Mr. James, Mr. Stewart-Robertson, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Leas, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Long, Mr. Wright, Mr. Latimer, Tellers, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. McColl, Mr. Mark F. Morton.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question then put by the Clerk.—That Daniel Levy, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lane, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley, Mr. Ball, Mr. Manning, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. R. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Estell, Mr. J. O. L. Fitzpatrick, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Gardner, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Graisome, Mr. Price, Mr.绿化, Major Shillington, Mr. Holman, Mr. Rossiter, Mr. Holman, Mr. John Storey, Mr. James, Mr. Stewart-Robertson, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Leas, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Long, Mr. Wright, Mr. Latimer, Tellers, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. McColl, Mr. Mark F. Morton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Mark F. Morton and Mr. Bovin conducted Mr. Levy to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgments to the House for the great honor they had been pleased to confer upon him, and then took his seat in the Chair.

Whereupon Mr. Holman, Mr. John Storey, and Mr. Harry Morton congratulated Mr. Speaker. Mr. Holman acquainted the House that he had ascertained from the Governor that His Excellency would receive their Speaker at Government House at Four o'clock, p.m. This day.

S. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn until half-past Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-eight minutes after One o'clock, p.m., until half-past Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

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

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

And being returned,—Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, where he informed His Excellency the Governor that on the announcement in the House that day of the vacancy in the Speakership caused by the resignation of the Honorable John Jacob Cohen, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted right and privilege, had proceeded to elect one of their Members to be Speaker, and that the choice of the House having fallen on him, he had the honor to present himself to His Excellency as Speaker; whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer him his congratulations upon his elevation to the Chair.
10. Retirement of William Sydney Christie, Esquire, from the Position of Serjeant-at-Arms:—
Mr. Speaker informed the House that since the last meeting of Parliament, the Serjeant-at-Arms, Mr. William Sydney Christie, had retired from the Public Service, owing to failing health. Mr. Christie received his first appointment in the service of the Government of this State as a junior officer in the Department of the Colonial Secretary on the 14th October, 1885, and on the 1st February, 1886, he was transferred to a similar position in the Department of the Legislative Assembly. On the 1st July, 1909, upon the office of Serjeant becoming vacant, Mr. Christie, who then held the position of Second Clerk Assistant, was appointed to the position. Mr. Speaker McCourt, in recommending the appointment, said that in looking for an officer to fill the position of Serjeant-at-Arms he must be guided largely "by a natural and personal fitness, and he was pleased to say that Mr. Christie had expressed his willingness to accept the position." He thought it would be conceded that Mr. Christie had carried out his duties to Honorable Members and members of the public who had occasion to visit the House with a courtesy which fully justified Mr. Speaker McCourt in the opinion which he expressed when recommending the appointment. He would, therefore, suggest that his remarks concerning Mr. Christie's retirement be placed on the permanent records of the House.
Whereupon Mr. Holman moved, That Mr. Speaker's remarks respecting the retirement of Mr. Christie from the position of Serjeant-at-Arms be entered in the "Votes and Proceedings."
Question put and passed.

11. The 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, Serjeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Assembly, in the room of William Sydney Christie, Esquire, retired.
Mr. Speaker then administered to Harold Laurence Hensleigh Harnett, Esquire, the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office, respectively, as Serjeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

12. Assent to Bills:—Mr. Speaker reported that, during the recess, Messages had been received from His Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bills:—

(1.) Women's Legal Status Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,

Government House, Sydney, 21st December, 1918.

(2.) Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,

Government House, Sydney, 21st December, 1918.

(3.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,

Government House, Sydney, 21st December, 1918.
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(4.) Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
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,"—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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(5.) Venereal Diseases Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
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,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(6.) Truck (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Truck Act of 1900 and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(7.) University Amendment (Exhibitioners' Fees) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
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,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(8.) Liquor (Refund of Rent) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
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,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(9.) Mining (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
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 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,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(10.) Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916,"—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, 18th December, 1918.

(11.) Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

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,"—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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Sydney, 18th December, 1918.

(12.) Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

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,"—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.

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

(13.) Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

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, 1915, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Sydney, 12th December, 1918.

(14.) Companies (Registration of Securities) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

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,"—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 December, 1918.
13. DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MEMBER FOR PADDINGTON, MR. L. J. O’HARA:—Mr. Holman referred to the lamented death, which occurred before he had had an opportunity of taking his seat in this House, of the Honorable Member for Paddington, Mr. Lawrence Joseph O’Hara, and expressed to his friends and relatives sincere regret at his death at an early age.

Mr. John Storey and Mr. Hirt addressed the House, and expressed their sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. O’Hara.

14. ELECTION PETITION (Petersham):—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table an Election Petition which had been addressed to him from William John Tapley Timewell, 88 New Canterbury road, Petersham; and William Thornton, 9 Gordon-street, Petersham, representing that they were enrolled upon the Electoral Roll for Petersham, and were entitled to vote in the By-election of March, 1919; that on the 5th day of March last a Writ was duly issued by His Excellency the Governor for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Council, directed to the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Petersham; that in the aforesaid Writ the 8th day of March last was named as the day when the said Writ should be returned; that, in pursuance of the said Writ, James Wilson, Military Chaplain, with the rank of Captain of the Australian Imperial Force, resident at the time in Randwick, was nominated for election, but the nomination form used was of the kind in use prior to the Amending Act No. 40 of 1918; that Donald Walter Croal, Bernard Clarence Olde, and Sydney James Shillington were likewise nominated for election upon nomination forms of the kind in use prior to the Amending Act No. 40 of 1918; that all the nomination forms in the two preceding paragraphs mentioned were lodged with the Returning Officer in due time; that none of the said nominations contained the information as to place of residence as enrolled and occupation of the nominees, required by Section 79 of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended by No. 40 of 1918, which provides that no person, unless nominated in accordance with the requirements thereof, shall be deemed to be a candidate for election pursuant to the Act; that the Returning Officer accepted the nominations of the persons in paragraph 4 of this Petition mentioned, but rejected the nomination of the said James Wilson; that the Returning Officer stated his reason for rejecting the said nomination of the said James Wilson to be that he was not enrolled upon an Electoral Roll, and therefore was not qualified to be a candidate; that the said James Wilson is a natural-born subject, and by that fact and by residence within the Commonwealth within New South Wales, and within the Electoral District of Randwick, had then become qualified to be nominated as a Candidate for the Electorate of Petersham; that the said James Wilson was, on the 13th day of January, 1919, entered by name in the State Electoral List for the Randwick polling place of the Electoral District.
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District of Randwick, and afterwards, upon the 12th day of March last, enrolled for the said polling place upon the Electoral Roll of the said district; that some of your Petitioners, namely, all except John Edward Birt, and many other officers of the Returning Officer, and before polling day, protested to the Returning Officer against the taking of a poll, having regard to the invalidity of the nominations described in paragraph 6; that the said protest was a short and clearly typewritten document, which drew the Returning Officer's attention to the fact that the nominations were invalid, and they were not candidates pursuant to the Act, the Returning Officer caused ballot-papers to be used on which were printed the names of the three persons in paragraph 4 mentioned, but the name of James Wilson was not printed thereon; that your Petitioners are aggrieved at the action of the Returning Officer in the conduct of the said election, and claim that the said election was not duly conducted according to law, and that the said Sydney James Shillington may be declared not to be duly elected, and the said John Edward Birt, Arthur Reardon, and James Jones were entitled to vote in the By-election of 23rd July, 1919; that, in pursuance of the said Writ, John Edward Birt had been elected to serve in the Assembly for the said District; that in taking the said Poll the Returning Officer caused ballot-papers to be used on which were printed the names of the three persons in paragraph 4 mentioned, but the name of James Wilson was not printed thereon; that your Petitioners are aggrieved at the action of the Returning Officer in the conduct of the said election, and claim that the said Sydney James Shillington may be declared not to be duly elected, and that all necessary and proper declarations and orders in the matter of the Paddington By-election may be made.

Ordered to lie upon the Table.
16. 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; Peter Ffrench Loughlin, Esquire; Percy Breerton Colquhoun, Esquire; Arthur Hetherington Grim, Esquire; William Kearsley, Esquire; Thomas John Ley, 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 nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen."

"DANIEL LEVY, Speaker."

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

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

Percy Breerton Colquhoun, Esquire; Simon Hickey, Esquire; Valentine Carlyle Ross Wood Johnston, Esquire; George Roy William McDonald, Esquire; and Follett John Thomas, Esquire, to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees during the present Session.

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

1. Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney.
2. New By-laws of the University of Sydney.
4. Report of the Senate of the University of Sydney for 1918.
6. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Rhodes.
7. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Rhodes.
8. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Westmead.
9. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Moonee.
10. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Middle Harbour.
11. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Canterbury.
12. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Dhuibh.
13. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Rennedale.
14. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Longreach.
15. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Bingara.
17. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Longreach.
18. Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School purposes at Newcastle.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

2. Repeal of and substitution of new Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
3. Repeal of and substitution of new Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

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(4.) Repeal of and substitution of new Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(5.) Amendment of Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(6.) Additional Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(7.) Amendment of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(8.) Amendment of Regulation under the Prisons Act, 1899.
(9.) Amendment of Regulations and repeal of Regulation under the Prisons Act, 1899.
(10.) Regulations under the Companies (Registration of Securities) Act, 1918.
(11.) Supreme Court Rules, and District Court (Poor Persons) Rules, under the Poor Persons Legal Remedies Act, 1918.
(12.) Rule made under the authority of the Charter of Justice rescinding No. 438 of the Rules of 22nd December, 1902, and substituting a new Rule therefor.
(13.) Rule made under the authority of the Charter of Justice rescinding No. 428 of the Rules of 22nd December, 1902, and substituting a new Rule therefor.
(14.) Rules made in pursuance of the Justices Act, 1902, as amended by the Justices (Bail) Amendment Act, 1918.
(15.) Return (in part) to an Order made on 17th March, 1892—"Convictions under the Liquor Acts."

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Police Department for 1918.
(2.) Report of the Weights and Measures Branch, Chief Secretary’s Department, for 1918.
(4.) Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales for 1918.
(5.) Regulations under the Fisheries Act, 1902.
(6.) Regulations under the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912.
(7.) Regulations under the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918.
(8.) Regulations under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908.
(9.) Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900.
(10.) Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909.
(11.) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 31st December, 1918.
(12.) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Public Companies for quarter ended 31st December, 1918.
(13.) Amended Police Rules. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Department of Mines for 1918.
(2.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Housing Scheme at Stockton.
(3.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Housing Scheme at Matraville, Municipality of Randwick.
(4.) Statement of Balances of Appropriations of the year 1917–18 written off as Savings on 30th June, 1918, under Section 32 of the Audit Act, 1902.
(5.) National Relief Fund of New South Wales—Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 31st December, 1918, together with Balance-sheet.
(6.) Report and Balance-sheet of the Public Trustee for the year ended 30th June, 1919.
(7.) Regulations under the Mining Act, 1906.
(8.) Proclamation declaring Portions 395, 396, 564, and 588, Parish of Adelong, County of Wynn yard, to be Private Lands within the meaning of the Mining Act, 1906.
(9.) Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. David Bissett and G. H. D. Thompson as Inspectors of Collieries, Mines Department.
(10.) Proclamation declaring Portions 587 and 278, Parish of Adelong, County of Wynn yard, to be Private Lands within the meaning of the Mining Act, 1906. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table,—
(1.) Report of the Department of Mines for 1918.
(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.
(3.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to Public Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Public Trusts Act, 1897.
(4.) Amended Regulation No. 335, and Amended Form No. 134, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(5.) Amended Regulations Nos. 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, and 229, and Amended Forms Nos. 80 and 107, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(6.) Amended Regulations Nos. 218, and Amended Form No. 38, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(7.) Amended Regulations Nos. 197 and 198, and Additional Form No. 69a, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(8.) Amendment notifying the date on which the Pasture Protection (Amendment) Act, 1918, came into operation.
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Condobolin.

Traffic on existing line of Railway between Condobolin and Tricia, by provision of Depot near

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Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydney and Albury, by provision of overbridge near

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of a Home for Aborigines at Plumpton.

Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for system of Sewerage,

Bowral, (25.)

Police Station at Rowena.

(21.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the erection of a

Public Abattoirs from Glebe Island and the erection of new buildings at Hotnebush Point.

(19.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the removal of the

of Castlereagh State Forest.

(18.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the establishment

of a road of access

from West Bargo Railway Station to the Sydney Water Supply Catchment Area.

(17.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Boosting

Reservoir, near East Maitland, to Warriah Reservoir.

(16.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a road of access

from West Bargo Railway Station to the Sydney Water Supply Catchment Area.

(15.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the erection of

the Royal North Shore Hospital.

(14.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the erection of

a concrete and masonry dam across the Cordeaux River, immediately below its junction with Cordeaux Creek.

(13.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a road of access

to the City of Sydney and its Suburbs.

(12.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Boosting

Pumping Station at Wallsend to accelerate the flow of water in the gravitation main from Buttai Reservoir, near East Maitland, to Warriah Reservoir.

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Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Amended Regulation under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-18.

(2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Wentworth Irrigation Area for 1918.

(3.) Regulations under the Water Act, 1912.

(4.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment of Mr. Walter Radford Colwell, on probation, as Manager, Coonamble Experiment Farm, Department of Agriculture.

(5.) Amended Regulation under Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Acts, 1912.

(6.) Amended Regulation under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-18.

(7.) Notification of receipts and expenditure of the Hay Irrigation Area, 1918.

(8.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a system of Sewerage, with Ocean Outfall, for the Northern Suburbs of Sydney.

(9.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a road of access

from West Bargo Railway Station to the Sydney Water Supply Catchment Area.

(10.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Water Supply to the City of Sydney and its Suburbs.

(11.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the removal of the Public Abattoirs from Globe Island and the erection of new buildings at Homebush Point.

(12.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Water Supply to the City of Sydney and its Suburbs.

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(25.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Galong and Boorowa, by provision of Water Supply at Boorowa.

(26.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the provision of additional barrack accommodation at Alexandria.

(27.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Tramway between Sydney and Watson's Bay, by provision of Permanent-Way Depot at Rose Bay.

(28.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a scheme of Water Supply for the Municipality of Orange.

(29.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for improvements to Cook's River above the Dam.

(30.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a system of Sewerage, with ocean outfall, for the Northern Suburbs of Sydney.

(31.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the establishment of a Storage Depot at Mediton-road, Broadmeadow, for Newcastle Sewerage Works.

(32.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Sydney to Botany Railway.

(33.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Water Supply works for the Barooga Bore Water Trust.

(34.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Junee and Hay, by provision of Wheat Silos at Brushwood.

(35.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Moree and Mungindi, by provision of additional Station accommodation at Moppin.

(36.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Galong and Burrowa, by provision of additional Station accommodation at Goorooma.

(37.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Bogan Gate and Totton, by provision of Water Supply near Cullen Bolt.

(38.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Moree and Inverell, by provision of Quarry at Booshang.

(39.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydney and Bourke, by provision of additional Traffic facilities at Orange.

(40.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Parkes and Peak Hill, by provision of additional accommodation at Mertini.

(41.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a scheme of Water Supply for the Municipality of Boral.

(42.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Erykes and Peak Hill, by provision of additional Station accommodation at Mertini.

(43.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydney and Granville, by provision of additional accommodation at Clyde.

(44.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydney and Albury, by provision of additional accommodation at Coalseam.

(45.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Flemington and Belmont, by providing additional accommodation near Rockwood.

(46.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Condobolin and Trida, by provision of Water Supply at Worrell Oreg.

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(49.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydne, and Granville, by provision of additional accommodation at Rookwood.

(50.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Sydney and Albury, by provision of additional locomotive accommodation at South Goulburn.

(51.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Wallerawang and Coonabaramba, by provision of Water Supply near Cullen Bullen.

(52.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on authorised line of Railway between Coifs Harbour and Glenreagh, by provision of Depot at Coefs Harbour.

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(53.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Grafton and Murwillumbah, by provision of Quarry at Bexhill.

(54.) Notification of resumption of land under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917.

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(60.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Parkes.

(61.) Amendment of Rating By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Parkes.

(62.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Manilla.

(63.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Katoomah.

(64.) Amendment of By-laws (Water) under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipalities of Grafton and South Grafton.

(65.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Goulburn.

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(69.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Armidale.

(70.) By-laws under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Albury.

(71.) Minutes of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment on probation of Mr. George Wright as Specification Writer, Department of Public Works.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. David Storey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations under the Newcastle District Abattoirs and Saleyards Act, 1912.

(2.) Report of the Pharmacy Board for 1918.

(3.) Regulations under the Dentists Act, 1912.

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

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Papers in connection with the claim of Messrs. J. and A. Brown against the Government.

(2.) Report of Royal Commission (Mr. G. Mason Allard) respecting the administration of the Department of Public Works (including Walsh Island Dockyard, and the Industrial Undertakings under the control of the Minister for Public Works).

(3.) Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. Justice Pring) of Inquiry into the George Georgeson Wheat Contract.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

19. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Holman informed the House of the resignation of Mr. G. S. Beeby from the Government and of certain rearrangements of Ministerial portfolios. The Attorney-General had no longer a seat in the Assembly. The Honorable A. G. F. James, Minister for Housing, and the Honorable A. G. F. James, Minister for Labour and Industry, as well as Minister of Public Instruction. The Honorable David Storey was Minister for Health, and the Honorable C. W. Oakes, Minister without portfolio.

20. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBERS:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Leave of absence for the present Session be granted to the Honorable Member for Castlereagh, James Guy Dalley Arkinn, Esquire, the Honorable Member for Burwood, Thomas Henley, Esquire, on account of absence from the State on military duty; and the Honorable Member for Lismore, George Nesbitt, Esquire, on account of absence from the State.

Question put and passed.

21. "Pro Forma Bill.—Law of Evidence Bill:—Mr. Holman presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence,"—and moved pro forma, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.
22. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber when His Excellency was pleased to deliver an Opening Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained a copy, which had been delivered to the Clerk of the House and which he read to the House as follows:—

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

1. It is with pleasure that I call you together for the opening of the fourth and final Session of the twenty-fourth Parliament of New South Wales.

2. Since Parliament last met, representatives of Great Britain and the Powers associated with her have met in conference in Paris, and the Government of Germany has now accepted the terms of peace which have been handed to her. The other Governments allied with Germany during the war are now in turn being offered terms of peace, which it is probable they will accept.

3. The terms of peace which have been and are being imposed upon the Central Powers, and the establishment of the League of Nations, will reduce to a minimum the possibility of further war, and make for that enduring peace on which it is possible to base reasonable hopes for the future happiness of mankind.

4. It is with great satisfaction that I record the fact that the number of recruits enrolled was, in proportion to the population, greater in New South Wales than in any other State of the Commonwealth, with the exception of Western Australia. This may be justly regarded as the direct result of the constant devotion to this vital issue displayed both by the Government and the Parliament of the State.

5. The cessation of hostilities has been accompanied by the abandonment on the part of the Commonwealth of the many special powers which, under the Constitution, it exercised in war time. These powers now revert to the jurisdiction of the State Parliaments and Executives. With regard to some of these, of special interest in the State of New South Wales, my advisers have already taken action. Proposals will be brought before you forthwith with respect to others.

6. The work of making provision for the settlement of our returned soldiers on the land, the responsibility for which lies principally upon the State Government, is proceeding satisfactorily. Up to the present home maintenance areas have been provided for over 2,500 soldiers, and it is anticipated the number will be increased to 4,000 before the end of the year.

7. The Department of Education is co-operating with the Commonwealth authorities in connection with the vocational training of returned soldiers, over 1,200 of whom are at present receiving free instruction at the Lands Colleges of the State.

8. The State Government has deemed it desirable to set up a State Bureau, at which not only is information afforded to all returned men, but they are also supplied with railway passes free of charge. In this connection considerable sums have so far been spent. It is confidently expected that Parliament will not only ratify this expenditure, but authorise its continuance so long as it may be regarded as necessary.

9. Drought conditions unhappily prevail over large areas of the State, particularly in the Western and South-western districts, where the population continue to conduct their productive operations under increasing difficulty. The Government are giving close consideration to their needs, and have already met the more urgent of them by making large advances to necessitous farmers, and by carrying starving stock, fodder, and water at nominal rates.

10. The recent epidemic of influenza was the cause of profound distress throughout the State, and of deep anxiety to my advisers. Acting under the highest professional advice the Government of the State took all necessary steps for combating the plague. The citizens were organised to meet exceptional demands for hospital treatment, medical skill, nursing, and relief of consequential poverty and suffering. My advisers acknowledge gratefully the services of the medical profession and the hospital staffs, as well as the admirable work done by the administrative committees and voluntary workers throughout the State during this trying time.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

11. Estimates of revenue and expenditure for the current financial year, which have been framed with the utmost regard both for economy and for efficiency, will be laid before you at an early date.

12. While the financial difficulties which have beset the public works policy of the State during the closing years of the war have not altogether disappeared, my advisers, acting in conjunction with the Commonwealth Government, have been able to arrange for the construction of certain railways, calculated to facilitate the provision of land for returned soldiers. Other lines will also be constructed for the purpose of completing a chain of cross-country railways and for further developing the productive areas of the State.

13. My advisers have been in communication with the Federal Government in the matter of the completion of the Federal Capital at Yass-Canberra, and with it the opening up of a valuable port at Jervis Bay. They are also in correspondence with the Government of Queensland on the vital question of further railway connection with that State.

14. An additional portfolio has been created recently, under the title of Minister for Housing, and it is proposed to seek authority for a general scheme which, it is believed, will relieve the shortage in housing accommodation existing today.
HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

15. Bills will be submitted for your consideration, securing for returned soldiers preference in all employment, and providing unemployment insurance both for returned soldiers and for other workers.

16. A programme of Public Works will be submitted, including railway construction, irrigation, a scheme for generating electricity by water power, the serving of forest areas by light railways, and the provision of proper harbor works in the Clarence River.

17. Measures to prevent profiteering and to control monopolies will be laid before Parliament.

18. A comprehensive measure for the future control of the liquor traffic will be laid before you. This will provide for the extension for a further period of the present closing hour of licensed premises, and for the replacing of the present method of local option voting by a more satisfactory system of license reduction.

19. Further measures, providing for Greater Sydney and Greater Newcastle, for town planning, for the regulation and reconstruction of slum areas in cities, and for a better control of our main roads, have been prepared, and will be brought forward at an early date. A Bill to provide for the registration of architects will also be introduced.

20. The industrial situation of to-day calls, in the judgment of my advisers, for an amendment in certain particulars of the Arbitration Act and the Workmen's Compensation Act, for the introduction of industrial councils in all important industries, for a reform of the law affecting apprenticeship, and for better technical education. Your sanction will be sought for proposals covering all these matters.

21. The plans of my advisers in connection with the public health of the State include the establishment of hospitals and rest homes for maternity cases, better organisation of the work of child welfare, the payment of compensation to persons who suffered losses as the result of the precautionary measures taken during the influenza pandemic, and an organised campaign against the scourge of tuberculosis. You will be asked to confer such legislative authority as is necessary to give effect to these proposals.

22. Important measures of law reform have been prepared, and will be laid before you, including the limitation of usury, the amendment of the Companies Act, of the Crimes Act, of the law relating to conveyancing and real property, the law governing the regulation of marriages abroad, more especially in the case of soldiers, and the relief of interstate destitute persons.

23. Two important measures of land reform, one relating to share-farmers and the other giving further facilities for soldier settlement and settlement in general, will also be forthcoming. Your consent will be asked to amendments of the Government Savings Bank Act, and to provisions for the compulsory education of certain afflicted persons, and an amendment of the Public Service Act and the Superannuation Act.

24. I now leave you, Gentlemen, to the discharge of your important duties, with the earnest prayer that, under Divine guidance, your labours may conduce to the welfare and happiness of all.

Major Shillington moved, and Captain Chaffey 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. Thomas, Mr. Manning, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Butlenshaw, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Walker, Mr. Wearn, Mr. Cameron, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

Major Shillington 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.

MY DEAR SIR,—

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 undeviating attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

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

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

Whereupon Major Shillington moved, and Captain Chaffey 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. Holman moved, That the Debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question put.
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The House divided.

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<td>Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Michael Burke, Tellers, Mr. George Cann, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Dalby, Mr. Estell, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Keeney, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lecointe, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. John Storey,</td>
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

23. 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 seventeen minutes after Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 20 AUGUST, 1919.

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—Mr. D. R. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Local Government Bill, forwarded to the Legislative Council during a previous Session, not having been finally dealt with because of the Prorogation of the Legislature, the following Message be sent to the Council:—"Mr. President,—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 repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,'—forwarded to the Legislative Council for concurrence during a previous Session of the present Parliament, not having been finally dealt with because of the Prorogation of the Legislature, the Legislative Assembly requests that the said Bill be proceeded with under the Council's Standing Order in that behalf."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 20th August, 1919.

Question put and passed.
Message to Legislative Council sent accordingly.

2. PAPERS:—
Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 31st March, 1919.
(2.) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Public Companies for quarter ended 31st March, 1919.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for quarter ended 31st December, 1918.
(3.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for quarter ended 30th June, 1919.
(4.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1919.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return showing the amount expended on afforestation under the Forestry Act, 1916, for the year ended 30th June, 1919.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Papers,—
(1.) Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912.
(2.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for a Sanitary Depot at Enfield.
(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for a Public Park at Concord.
(4.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for Drainage Purposes at Canterbury.
(5.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for Drainage Purposes at Canterbury.
(6.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for Drainage Purposes at Bankstown.
(7.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for Drainage Purposes at Bankstown.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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3. REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION ON GEORGE GEORGEON WHEAT CONTRACT:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. Justice Pring) into the George Georgeson Wheat Contract, laid upon the Table on 19th August, 1919, be printed. Question put and passed.

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

(1.) 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, 20th August, 1919.

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 the previous Session,—
Ordered, That the Bill be further considered in Committee To-morrow.

(2.) Conveyancing Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law of property, and to simplify the practice of conveyancing; and for such purposes to amend certain Acts relating 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, 20th August, 1919.

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

5. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, according to Section 16 of the Audit Act, 1902, he had received from the Colonial Treasurer the nomination of,—

Valentine Carlyle Ross Wood Johnston, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Assembly, who is not a Minister of the Crown, for election and appointment to the vacancy on the Public Accounts Committee, constituted under that Act, caused by the resignation of Mr. John Percy Osborne, formerly Member for Paddington.

Mr. Speaker stated that it would be his duty to submit the name proposed to the House, and he would do so after the Formal Business was disposed of on Tuesday next.

6. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Major Shillington, 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. Grahame (desiring to continue his speech at the sitting) moved (by consent), 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.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at one minute after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

DANIEL LEVY,

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

PAPERS:—

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulations under the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Mapes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for the year ended 30th June, 1919.

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 the 15th August, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement showing the grounds for the suspension of Mr. J. M. Taylor as Member of the Public Service Board.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

URGENCY—ADMINISTRATION OF THE DARLING HARBOUR GOODS YARD—RAILWAY STAFF BOARD:—

Mr. Buckley moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz,:

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon (a) the administration of the Darling Harbour Goods Yard; (b) the regulations and by-laws under the Government Railways Act and governing the workings at Darling Harbour; and (c) the powers of the Railway Staff Board respecting inquiries, reports, and recommendations in the administration of the Railway and Tramway Service.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Dr. Arthur, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Cochrane, and the Mover.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bailey,
Mr. Birr,
Mr. Buckley,
Mr. George Cann,
Captain Garnie,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davie,
Mr. Dooley,
Captain Dunn,
Mr. Gardiner,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. F. M. McGill,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. Mitch,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright.

Tellers,
Mr. Keaneley,
Mr. Lang.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 11.

Dr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. Bavin,
Mr. Bennet,
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Bruntnell,
Mr. Cameron,
Captain Claffey,
Mr. Colborne,
Mr. Creeks,
Mr. Dee,
Mr. Fedick,
Mr. J. C. L. Fittpatrick,
Sir George Fuller,
Mr. Grahame,
Mr. D. R. Hall,
Mr. Holman,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. G. R. W. McDonald.
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 Major Shillington, 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. Price moved, That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed. Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock. Debate ensued.

Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present. Mr. Speaker counted the House, and there being only eighteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely,—Mr. Bavin, Mr. Brit, Mr. Michael Turke, Mr. Brunthell, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. John Storey, and Mr. Wright,—The Speaker adjourned the House, at fifteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
TUESDAY, 26 AUGUST, 1919.

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

PAPERS.—
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—A letter from the Auditor-General, transmitting for presentation to the Legislative Assembly, under the directions contained in the 34th Section of the Audit Act, 1902, copies of Minutes of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council, authorising transfers of amounts from one head of Service to supplement a Vote for another Service, viz.:

Appropriation Act, 1918.

(a) £100 from Vote, "Item No. 182," to Vote "Item No. 160,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice—Miscellaneous Services.

(b) £183 from Vote, "Item No. 6," to Vote, "Item No. 7,"—Department of the Premier.

(c) £1,500 from Vote, "Item No. 183," to Vote, "Item No. 205,"—Department of Lands.

(d) £100 from Vote, "Item No. 182," to Vote, "Item No. 179"; £200 from Vote, "Item No. 169," to Vote, "Item No. 174"; £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 167," to Vote, "Item No. 166"; £100 from Vote, "Item No. 178," to Vote, "Item No. 161"; £200 from Vote, "Item No. 173," to Vote, "Item No. 171,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(e) £250 from Vote, "Item No. 189," to Vote, "Item No. 207,"—Department of Lands.

(f) £200 from Vote, "Item No. 177," to Vote, "Item No. 161"; £200 from Vote, "Item No. 162," to Vote, "Item No. 174,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(g) £225 from Vote, "Item No. 69," to Vote, "Item No. 66,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(h) £50 from Vote, "Item No. 182," to Vote, "Item No. 180,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(i) £250 from Vote, "Item No. 189," to Vote, "Item No. 205"—Department of Agriculture.

(j) £150 from Vote, "Item No. 205," to Vote, "Item No. 304,"—Department of Agriculture.

(k) £100 from Vote, "Item No. 205," to Vote, "Item No. 206,"—Department of Lands.

(l) £100 from Vote, "Item No. 16," to Vote, "Item No. 23,"—Department of the Premier.

(m) £750 from Vote, "Item No. 14," to Vote, "Item No. 11,"—Department of the Premier.

(n) £2,000 from Vote, "Item No. 69," to Vote, "Item No. 68,"—Department of the Minister of Public Health.

(o) £150 from Vote, "Item No. 58," to Vote, "Item No. 44"; £40 from Vote, "Item No. 57," to Vote, "Item No. 49,"—Department of the Chief Secretary.

(p) £250 from Vote, "Item No. 198," to Vote, "Item No. 205,"—Department of the Premier.

(q) £500 from Vote, "Item No. 109," to Vote, "Item No. 170,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(r) £150 from Vote, "Item No. 106," to the following Votes, viz., £75 to Vote, "Item No. 158"; £50 to Vote, "Item No. 159"; and £250 to Vote, "Item No. 157"; and £200 from Vote, "Item No. 161"; and £300 from Vote, "Item No. 169," to Vote "Item No. 164,"—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(s) £150 from Vote, "Item No. 29," to Vote, "Item No. 8,"—Department of the Premier.

(t) £8,000 from Vote, "Item No. 138," to Vote, "Item No. 139,"—The Treasury.
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26th August, 1919.


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by Mr. E. F. H. Harpur, Publicity Officer, Premier’s Department, upon Indian Trade Prospects.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION (Mr. G. Mason Allard) RESPECTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—CLAIMS OF MESSRS. J. & A. BROWN AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the following Papers, laid upon the Table on the 19th August, 1919, be printed—

(1.) Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. G. Mason Allard) respecting the administration of the Department of Public Works (including Walsh Island Dockyard and the Industrial Undertakings under the Control of the Minister for Public Works).

(2.) Papers in connection with the claim of Messrs. J. & A. Brown against the Government.

Question put and passed.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Question,—That Valentine Carlyle Ross Wood Johnston, Esquire, a Member of this House, who is not a Minister of the Crown, be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee in the place and stead of Mr. John Percy Osbornes, formerly Member for Paddington,—put and passed.

THE GOVERNOR’S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Major Shillington, 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. Doe moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. 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 ten minutes after Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

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

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

PAPER:—Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement of Accounts showing Income and Expenditure under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, for the year ended 30th June, 1919. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS:—
   (1.) Maturity 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 Tuesday, 19th August, 1919, not having been disapproved of by the Assembly in the course of the three next following days on which the Assembly met for the despatch of business, had now taken effect as an appointment of such Committee, and intimated that it was, therefore, open to Members of the Committee to be sworn at the Table by the Clerk, in accordance with the 159th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912.
   (2.) Members Sworn:—Roy Clifford Bagnall, Esquire, Percy Breton Colquhoun, Esquire, William Kearsley, Esquire, Peter Ffrench Loughlin, Esquire, William John McKell, Esquire, Mark Fairies Morton, 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.) Election Petitions:—Mr. Holman moved, That the following Election Petitions, laid upon the Table of this House on Tuesday, 19th August, 1919, be referred to the Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—
      (1.) From William John Tapley Timewell, 88 New Canterbury road, Petersham, and others, with reference to the election and return of Sydney James Shillington as Member for the Electoral District of Petersham.
      (2.) From Francis M. Walker, of 61 Brown-street, Paddington, and another, with reference to the election and return of John Edward Birt as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington.
   Question put and passed.
   (4.) First Meeting of Committee:—Pursuant to the requirements of the 159th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, Mr. Speaker appointed the first meeting of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications to take place at Two o'clock, p.m., on Tuesday next, in No. 3 Committee Room.

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 Major Shillington, 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 House resuming the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 28 AUGUST, 1919, a.m.

Mr. Tom Smith 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.

4. 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 two minutes after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 28 AUGUST, 1919.

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

SPEAKER'S COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.—Mr. Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor had been pleased to issue a Commission, under the Public Seal of the State, empowering him to administer the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to such Members as may hereafter present themselves to be sworn,—which Commission was read at length by the Clerk, by direction of Mr. Speaker, 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 the Honorable Daniel Levy, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, 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 aforesaid, this twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

By His Excellency's Command,
GEORGE W. FULLER.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Asford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations Nos. 44 and 302, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Police Superannuation and Reward Fund for year ended 30th June, 1919.

(2) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Agricultural Colleges and Experimeml Farms—Farm Account.

(3) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Public Health—Farm Account.

(4) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Aborigines Protection Board—Produce and Sale—Store Account.

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(6.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Prisons—Bread Account.
(7.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Emu Plains Prison Farm—Farm Account.
(8.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Special Deposits Account—Tourist Resorts—Working Account.
(9.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Mental Hospitals generally—Farms and Garden Account.
(10.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Erskineville Bootmaking School Account.
(11.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Labour Farms Account.
(12.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Forest Vale (Deenogation Farm)—Store Account.
(13.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Bankstown (Soldiers' Settlement)—Store Account.
(14.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Kentucky (Soldiers' Settlement)—Store Account.
(15.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Animal Industry Account.
(16.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1919, in connection with Gosford Farm Home for Boys—Farm Account.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table following Paper: Inquiry under the Police Inquiry Act, 1918—(I.W.W. cases)—Report of Commissioner (Mr. Justice Street).

Ordered to be printed.

3. BILL OF SALE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER,—

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,"—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, 28th August, 1919.

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 the previous Session,—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on next sitting day.

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 Major Shillington, 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

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 29 AUGUST, 1919, A.M.

Debate continued.

Mr. David Storey moved, "That the Question be now put." Question put,—That the Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 41
Dr. Arthur, Mr. James,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Baggall, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bennett, G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Briner, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Cameron, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Cock, Colonel Oosalow,
Mr. Colphead, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Crane, Major Shillington,
Mr. Den, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Edden, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Fallow, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller, Tellers,
Mr. Graham, Mr. Buttenshaw,
Mr. Holman, Mr. Thomas.
Mr. Hone, 
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane.

Noes, 23
Mr. Bailey,
Mr. Birt,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Cockran,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearley,
Mr. Keagan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Longhin,
Mr. Gregory Motier,
Mr. McGill,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Quirk,
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,"—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Baggall, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Ball, Mr. McGarry,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Briner, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Colonel Oosalow,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Robson,
Captain Chaffey, Major Shillington,
Mr. Cock, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Colphead, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Crane, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Den, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Edden, Tellers,
Mr. Fallow, Tellers,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Ley,
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Mr. Lang,
Mr. Longhin,
Mr. Gregory Motier,
Mr. McGill,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Holman 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 Tuesday next, at Four o'clock, p.m., at Government House.

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

6. 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.

7. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—Member Swaren:—Thomas John Ley, Esquire, came to the Table, and was sworn by the Clerk as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
Debate ensued.

Colonel Oosalow moved, That the Honourable Member for Darling Harbour, Mr. Cockran, be not further heard.
Question put.
The House divided.

### Ayes, 35.

| Mr. Ashford | Mr. Latimer |
| Mr. Bagnall | Mr. G. R. W. McDonald |
| Mr. Ball | Mr. W. Millard |
| Mr. Bavin | Mr. Harry Morton |
| Mr. Bennett | Lient-Col. Nicholson |
| Mr. Bruntsell | Mr. Oakes |
| Mr. Buttenshaw | Colonel Oatsow |
| Mr. Colgan | Mr. Robson |
| Mr. Crane | Major Shillington |
| Mr. Doo | Mr. David Storey |
| Mr. Fallick | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick | Mr. Thompson |
| Sir George Fuller | Mr. Weare |
| Mr. Grahame | Tellers |
| Mr. Holman | Tellers |
| Mr. Holms | Tellers |
| Mr. Hunt | Mr. Cameron |
| Mr. James | Captain Chaffey |
| Mr. Lane | |

### Noes, 24.

| Mr. Bailey | Mr. John Storey |
| Mr. Birt | Mr. Stuart-Robertson |
| Mr. Michael Burke | Mr. Wright |
| Mr. George Cane | Tellers |
| Mr. Cochran | Mr. William Davies |
| Mr. Davidson | Mr. McGregor |
| Mr. Dooley | Mr. Quirk |
| Mr. Doyle | Mr. Keegan |
| Mr. Kegan | Mr. Lang |
| Mr. Lang | Mr. McGarry |
| Mr. Leaughlin | Mr. O'Brien |
| Mr. O'Brien | Mr. Quirk |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House divided.

### Ayes, 35.

| Mr. Ashford | Mr. Latimer |
| Mr. Bagnall | Mr. G. R. W. McDonald |
| Mr. Ball | Mr. W. Millard |
| Mr. Bavin | Mr. Harry Morton |
| Mr. Bennett | Lient-Col. Nicholson |
| Mr. Bruntsell | Mr. Oakes |
| Mr. Buttenshaw | Colonel Oatsow |
| Mr. Colgan | Mr. Robson |
| Mr. Crane | Major Shillington |
| Mr. Doo | Mr. David Storey |
| Mr. Fallick | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick | Mr. Thompson |
| Sir George Fuller | Mr. Weare |
| Mr. Grahame | Tellers |
| Mr. Holman | Tellers |
| Mr. Holms | Tellers |
| Mr. Hunt | Mr. Cameron |
| Mr. James | Captain Chaffey |
| Mr. Lane | |

### Noes, 24.

| Mr. Bailey | Mr. John Storey |
| Mr. Birt | Mr. Stuart-Robertson |
| Mr. Michael Burke | Mr. Wright |
| Mr. George Cane | Tellers |
| Mr. Cochran | Mr. William Davies |
| Mr. Davidson | Mr. McGregor |
| Mr. Dooley | Mr. Quirk |
| Mr. Doyle | Mr. Keegan |
| Mr. Lang | Mr. McGarry |
| Mr. Leaughlin | Mr. O'Brien |
| Mr. O'Brien | Mr. Quirk |

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

The House divided.

### Ayes, 35.

| Mr. Ashford | Mr. Latimer |
| Mr. Bagnall | Mr. G. R. W. McDonald |
| Mr. Ball | Mr. W. Millard |
| Mr. Bavin | Mr. Harry Morton |
| Mr. Bennett | Lient-Col. Nicholson |
| Mr. Bruntsell | Mr. Oakes |
| Mr. Buttenshaw | Colonel Oatsow |
| Mr. Colgan | Mr. Robson |
| Mr. Crane | Major Shillington |
| Mr. Doo | Mr. David Storey |
| Mr. Fallick | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick | Mr. Thompson |
| Sir George Fuller | Mr. Weare |
| Mr. Grahame | Tellers |
| Mr. Holman | Tellers |
| Mr. Holms | Tellers |
| Mr. Hunt | Mr. Cameron |
| Mr. James | Captain Chaffey |
| Mr. Lane | |

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| Mr. Bailey | Mr. John Storey |
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| Mr. George Cane | Tellers |
| Mr. Cochran | Mr. William Davies |
| Mr. Davidson | Mr. McGregor |
| Mr. Dooley | Mr. Quirk |
| Mr. Doyle | Mr. Keegan |
| Mr. Lang | Mr. McGarry |
| Mr. Leaughlin | Mr. O'Brien |
| Mr. O'Brien | Mr. Quirk |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
Tuesday, 2 September, 1919.

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

Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech:—The Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor their Address in Reply to the Speech His Excellency had been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament on opening the Session,—

And being returned,—

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 thereunto the following answer:—

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 continued attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

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

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

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

2. Papers:—

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations and Amended Forms under the Pastures Protection Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rule made under the authority of the Charter of Justice, and Rule under the authority of the Charter of Justice and the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—By-laws, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905, for the Municipality of Nyngan.

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 Members named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(1.) Cobar Water Supply (Reduction of Debt) 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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply.

State Government House, Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

(2.) Education (Deaf and Blind Children) 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 education of the deaf and the blind.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

(3.) Public Instruction (Continuation Schools) 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 education of young persons up to a certain standard, and for the establishment of continuation schools; to amend the Acts relating to public instruction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

(4.) Public Instruction (School Boards) 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 appointment of members of Parents and Citizens' Associations as Public School Boards; and to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

(5.) Australian Historical Museum 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 constitute and incorporate the Trustees of the Australian Historical Museum; to provide for the management and endowment of that institution; to exempt from stamp duty donations and bequests to that institution; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

(6.) University (Building) 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 appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

4. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—Member Sworn.—Arthur Hetherington Grimm, Esquire, came to the Table, and was sworn by the Clerk as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

5. PAPER.—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper.—Report of Investigation by the Honorable G. S. Beeby, M.L.A., on Industrial Conditions in Great Britain and the United States of America.

Ordered to be printed.]
6. DEATH OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE LOUIS BOTHA, PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA:—

Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Botha, through His Excellency the Governor, the deepest sympathy of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, on behalf of themselves and the people of the State, at the untimely death of her illustrious husband, and to the Governors-General of the Union of South Africa their profound sorrow at the national loss of a wise counsellor and gallant soldier.

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

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

7. 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, Thursday, and Friday, in each week.

Debate ensued:

Mr. Gardiner moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the words "Four o'clock, p.m.," with a view of inserting the words "Ten o'clock, a.m.," instead thereof.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Holman, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Weaver, with authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any places.

Noes, 29.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Buxton, Mr. Buxton, Mr. Bushell, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Carrick, Mr. Crook, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Davis, Mr. M. Davis, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8. 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 of Government Business on Tuesdays.

(3.) That Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE (Seasonal Order):—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Refreshment Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Latimer, 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 Committees appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.

Question put and passed.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
2nd September, 1919.

10. 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. D. R. Hall, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Loughlin, 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.

11. LIBRARY COMMITTEE (Sessional Order):—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Beesby, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Mutch, Mr. McKell, 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, 1862.
Question put and passed.

12. 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. Palfke, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Graff, Mr. Keegan, 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 therein 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.

13. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Johnston moved, pursuant to Notice, That William Fraser Dunn, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session.

Mr. Bruntnell moved, That Percy Bereton Colquhoun be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session.

Point of Order.—Mr. Johnston, referring to the terms of Standing Order No. 28, and to the fact that Notice was given by him as soon after the commencement of the present Session as was possible for it to be done, submitted that the amendment was out of order, first because Notice was not given at the commencement of the present Session of the Standing Order in that respect; secondly, Notice had not been given of the nomination of the Honorable Member for Mosman, and further that it was against the procedure of the House for an amendment to be moved on a nomination for Chairman of Committees.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said the matter certainly was one of very great difficulty, because Standing Order, No. 28, clearly set forth the procedure which should be adopted in cases of this kind. While it was quite true that the Standing Orders must be observed, and that it was for the House to alter the Standing Orders if they were not thought suitable, at the same time the House was, after all, the final Court of Appeal in regard to the interpretation of its own Standing Orders; and when the House, after considerable argument, had come to a decision upon the meaning of a Standing Order, then it was the duty of the Speaker to obey the decision of the House until that decision was altered, either by another decision of the House itself, or by an alteration of the Standing Orders. It was because the House itself had given a considered decision upon the point that he felt constrained to follow it. On the 20th September, 1904, a Point of Order was taken similar to that taken to-night, and the Speaker gave a ruling to the effect that the nomination could be accepted. A motion of dissent was moved, and the House, after very considerable discussion, decided that the Speaker's ruling was perfectly correct. That being the case he felt impelled to respect the decision of the House, and to accept the nomination given by the Honorable Member for Mosman, and further that it was against the procedure of the House for an amendment to be moved on a nomination for Chairman of Committees.

Debate ensued.

Question again proposed,—That William Fraser Dunn, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session.

Debate ensued.

The
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckley, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. Russell, Mr. George Cunn, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Eastell, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McKell, Mr. Meechi, Mr. Mute, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers.

Noes, 38.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Bagenall, Mr. Benger, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Cockran, Mr. Deane, Mr. Doe, Mr. Dooley, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Tellers.

Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Perry, Major Shillington, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Walker, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Zeill.

Mr. McKell, Mr. Mute, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers.

Mr. Oakes, Colonel Oustow, Mr. Oustow, Mr. Oke, Major Shillington, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wright, Tellers.

Mr. Oke, Mr. Oke, Tellers.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question,—That Percy Berceton Colquhoun, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session,—put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Colquhoun made his acknowledgments to the House.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagenall, Mr. Benger, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Eastell, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mute, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers.

Noes, 29.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagenall, Mr. Benger, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Cockran, Mr. Deane, Mr. Doe, Mr. Dooley, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Tellers.

Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Perry, Major Shillington, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Walker, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Zeill.

Mr. McKell, Mr. Mute, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers.

Mr. Oakes, Colonel Oustow, Mr. Oke, Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Removal from Office as Member of the Public Service Board of Mr. J. M. Taylor.—Mr. Cocks presented a Petition from J. M. Taylor, representing that, by Commission under the hand of the Governor of the State of New South Wales, and under the Public Seal of the said State, he was duly appointed as Member of the Public Service Board, to hold office for a period of seven years, under the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1902; that, since the date of his appointment, he held office as a Member of the said Board until the twenty-second day of February last, when he was suspended by Executive Minute in terms of Section 8 (b) of the Public Service Act, 1902; and praying for leave to appear by Counsel at the Bar of the House in support of his claims. Petition received.

2. Estimates of Expenditure, 1919-1920:—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 the following:

(2.) Consolidated Revenue Fund.—Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1918-1919, submitted for Parliamentary Appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.

State Government House, Sydney, 3rd September, 1919.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates and Statements, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. Papers:
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Sydney Cricket Ground Trust for the year ended, 30th June, 1919.
(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.
(3.) Abstract of Crown Lands authorised to be dedicated to Public Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return respecting Government Boring Plants,
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
4. **Public Service (Amendment) 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 amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1884; to make further provision for the term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; to provide for the retirement of John Michael Taylor, Esquire, from the said Board, and the payment to him of compensation for such retirement, and the appointment of his successor; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

5. **Returned Soldiers and Sailors Employment 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 provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. **Height of Buildings (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of Sir George 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 provide that certain buildings are adequately provided with the means for extinguishing and escape from fire; to amend the Height of Buildings (Metropolitan Police District) Act, 1913, and the Height of Buildings (Amendment) Act, 1911; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

Question put and passed.

7. **Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of Sir George 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 provide that the law relating to weights and measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, and the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916; to regulate the making and sale of bread, and to repeal the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. **Totalizator (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of Sir George 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 Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

9. **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 Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

10. **Tarana to Oberon Railway Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of 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 line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales; or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

11. **Broughton Hall and Coast Hospital Extension Construction Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of 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 extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

12. **Hydro-Electric Development (Construction) Bill**—Mr. Holman, on behalf of 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 hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

13.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
3rd September, 1919.

S. RETURNED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisement of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revaluation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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.

14. CROWN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 amend and declare the law relating to Crown Lands; to extend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; and for other purposes.
Question put and passed.

15. SHARE-FARMING BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 provide for the purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such lands for purposes of share-farming or under the Crown Lands Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such cases, and the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend the Crown Lands Acts and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

16. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 amend the Closer Settlement Acts; to extend the provisions of Part 2 of the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1918, to conditional purchases, homestead selections, and to certain leasehold tenures; to limit the rates of commission which may be charged by agents on the sale of land under the said part; and for other purposes.
Question put and passed.

17. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service Act, 1903, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

18. EDUCATION (DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 provide for the education of the deaf and the blind.
Question put and passed.

19. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (CONTINUATION SCHOOLS) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 provide for the education of young persons up to a certain standard, and for the establishment of Continuation Schools; to amend the Acts relating to public instruction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

20. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MAIN ROADS) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 make better provision for the construction and maintenance of main roads; for the establishment of funds for those purposes; for the borrowing of money for the construction of main roads; for the amendment of the laws relating to Local Government; for the amendment of the Audit Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GREATER NEWCASTLE) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 constitute a Greater Newcastle; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.
22. AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL MUSEUM BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 constitute and incorporate the trustees of the Australian Historical Museum; to provide for the management and endowment of that institution; to exempt from stamp duty donations and bequests to that institution; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.
Question put and passed.

23. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (SCHOOL BOARDS) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 provide for the appointment of members of Parents and Citizens' Associations as Public School Boards; and to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880.
Question put and passed.

24. UNIVERSITY (BUILDING) BILL:—Mr. Holman, 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 appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

25. TOWNS PLANNING 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 for the planning of towns; for the carrying out of the plans; for compensation and betterment; for the constitution and powers of a Town Planning Board; to amend the Acts relating to Local Government and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

26. PURE FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. David Storey 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.

27. PUBLIC HEALTH (DANGEROUS INFECTIOUS OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES) BILL:—Mr. David Storey 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 certain food, drugs, and appliances; to regulate the conveyance of corpses and the speedy interment of the dead; to provide that the business of hairdressers be carried on in a sanitary manner; to amend the Public Health Act, 1902, the Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

28. PARRAMATTA SEWERAGE (SURPLUS FUNDS) BILL:—Mr. Holman, on behalf of 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 provide for the transfer of certain surplus sewerage funds from the Council of the Municipality of Parramatta to the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

29. COBAR WATER SUPPLY (REDUCTION OF DEBT) BILL:—Mr. Holman, on behalf of 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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply.
Question put and passed.

30. 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. 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 £66,262 as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1919-20.
On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

31. WAYS AND MEANS (FINANCIAL STATEMENT):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

32.
PAPERS:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Estimates of the Ways and Means of the Government of New South Wales for the year
1919-1920.
(2.) Statement showing Special War Expenditure incurred by the New South Wales Government
during the financial year ended 30th June, 1919.
Ordered to be printed.

PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fallick, on behalf of Mr. Kearsley, Chairman, brought up the First
Report from the Printing Committee.

ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at eight minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four
o'clock.

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

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

PAPERS—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table:—Cablegram from the Agent-General respecting attitude of Commonwealth Representatives in London regarding Immigration. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. Public Service (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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1884; to make further provision for the term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; to provide for the retirement of John Michael Taylor, Esquire, from the said Board, and the payment to him of compensation for such retirement, and the appointment of his successor; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th August, 1919.

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

3. Returned Soldiers and Sailors Employment 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 provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, 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 that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; 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 provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, 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 tomorrow.
4. **Committee of Elections and Qualifications (Election Petition, Timewell and Others v. Shillington, Petersham):**—Mr. Mark F. Morton, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred, on the 27th August, 1919, the Petition of William John Tapley Timewell and others, against the return of Sydney James Shillington, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Petersham.

And the said Report was read at length by the Clerk, by direction of Mr. Speaker, as follows:

"The Committee of Elections and Qualifications duly appointed on 19th August, 1919, to whom was referred on 27th August, 1919, a Petition from William John Tapley Timewell and others against the return of Sydney James Shillington, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Petersham, have determined and do hereby declare:

(1.) That Sydney James Shillington, Esquire, was duly elected for the Electoral District of Petersham.

(2.) That the Petition of William John Tapley Timewell and others is not frivolous nor vexatious, and that the deposit be refunded.

(3.) That the Committee are of opinion that the expenses of the parties in this inquiry should be defrayed by the Crown.

M. F. MORTON,
Chairman.

"No. 1 Committee Room, Legislative Assembly,
Sydney, 4th September, 1919."

Mr. Morton moved, That the Report and Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence be printed. Question put and passed.

5. **Town Planning Bill:**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Messengers No. 26.

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 planning of towns; for the carrying out of the plans; for compensation and betterment; for the constitution and powers of a Town Planning Board; to amend the Acts relating to Local Government and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th September, 1919.

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

6. **Temporary Chairman of Committees:**—

(1.) Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the resignation of his position, as Temporary Chairman of Committees, of Percy Bereton Colquhoun, Esquire, Chairman of Committees.

(2.) Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 28, nominated Thomas Rainsford Ravin, Esquire, to act as a Temporary Chairman of Committees during the present Session.

7. **Town Planning 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 planning of towns; for the carrying out of the plans; for compensation and betterment; for the constitution and powers of a Town Planning Board; to amend the Acts relating to Local Government 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 planning of towns; for the carrying out of the plans; for compensation and betterment; for the constitution and powers of a Town Planning Board; to amend the Acts relating to Local Government 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 for the pre-planning and re-planning of towns; for the carrying out of the plans; for betterment and compensation; for the constitution and powers of a Town Planning Board; to amend the Local Government Act 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.
8. Public Service (Amendment) 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 amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; to provide for the retirement of John Michael Taylor, Esquire, from the said Board, and the payment to him of compensation for such retirement, and the appointment of his successor; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. B. W. McDonald, 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 the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; to provide for the retirement of John Michael Taylor, Esquire, from the said Board, and the payment to him of compensation for such retirement, and the appointment of his successor; 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 amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; to provide for the retirement of John Michael Taylor, Esquire, from the said Board, and the payment to him of compensation for such retirement, and the appointment of his successor; 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. Ambulance Transport Service Bill:—Mr. D. B. Hall, on behalf of Mr. David Storey, 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

The House adjourned, at Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

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.) Returned Soldiers and Sailors Employment 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 preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a Board to assist returned soldiers in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 4th September, 1919.

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

By Mr. Ball,—

(2.) Broughton Hall and Coast Hospital Extension Construction 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 extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.


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

3. Broughton Hall and Coast Hospital Extension Construction 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 extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

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

4. COBAR WATER SUPPLY (REDUCTION OF DEBT) 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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply.

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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply.

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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply," which was read a first time.

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

5. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC WORKS:—

(1.) Railway from The Rock to Pullatop:—Mr. Ball moved; pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient that the proposed Railway from The Rock to Pullatop, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient that the proposed Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Railway from Yanco to Griffith:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient that the proposed Railway from Yanco to Griffith, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. TARANA TO OBERON RAILWAY 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.

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

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

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

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


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. James:

(1.) Early Closing 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 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 certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1919.

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 Closer Settlement Acts; to extend the provisions of Part Two of the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1918, to conditional purchases, homestead selections, and to certain leasehold tenures; to limit the rates of commission which may be charged by agents on the sale of land under the said part; and for other purposes.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(3.) Crown Lands (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 relating to Crown Lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act 1917; and for other purposes.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

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9th September, 1919.

(4.) Share-farming 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 purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such land for purposes of share-farming, or under the Crown Lands Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such resumptions; to enable the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend the Crown Lands Acts and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(5.) 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 or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisement of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revaluation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(6.) Richmond to Kurrajong Railway 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 a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(7.) Parramatta Sewerage (Surplus Funds) 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 transfer of certain surplus sewerage funds from the Council of the Municipality of Parramatta to the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(8.) Yanco to Griffith Railway 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 a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.


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

(9.)
(9.) The Rock to Pulletop Railway 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 a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

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

(10.) Tarana to Oberon Railway 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 a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 8th September, 1919.

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

(11.) Hydro-electric Development (Construction) 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 hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 8th September, 1919.

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

3. DEPUTY-SPEAKER'S COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE:—

Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission, under the Public Seal of the State, dated 5th day of September, 1919, and signed by His Excellency the Governor, empowering Percy Brereton Colquhoun, 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 Percy Brereton "Colquhoun, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, "in the absence of the Honorable the Speaker of the said Assembly, to administer from time "to time, as occasion may require, to any Member of the said Assembly to whom the same shall not "have been previously administered, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the "King, required by law to be taken, or made and subscribed by every such Member before ho "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 "aforesaid, this fifth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine "hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the Reign of His Majesty King "George the Fifth.

"W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"GEORGE W. FULLER."
4. Removal from Office as Member of the Public Service Board of Mr. J. M. Taylor (Formal Motion) — Mr. Cocks moved, pursuant to Notice, That so much of the prayer of the Petition presented on 3rd September from J. M. Taylor, praying to be heard by counsel at the Bar of this House in reference to his removal from office as member of the Public Service Board be granted.

Question put and passed.

5. Case of Second-class Inspector Thomas McDonald — Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Second-class Inspector Thomas McDonald, of the Police Department, and late of Newtown.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Thomas, Captain Carmichael, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. George Cann, Capt. Carmichael, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Captain Dunn, Mr. Edlen, Mr. Estell, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang,

Noes, 33.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagdoll, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Briner, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Buntenshaw, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Doe, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grimme, Mr. Hockins, Mr. James, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Match, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. John Storey, Mr. John Storey, Teller, Mr. Backley, Mr. Michael Burke.

And so it passed in the negative.

6. Standard of Living — Mr. Stuart-Robertson proceeding to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the proper standard of living.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Keegan, Capt. Dunn, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Estell, Mr. Doe, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Walker, and the Mover,—

Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present.

Mr. Speaker counted the House, and there being only eighteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely, Mr. Briner, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Capt. Dunn, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. McKell, Mr. Match, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, and Mr. Wright,—

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at fifteen minutes after Seven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. Mowle,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Daniel Levy,

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

PAPERS:

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amendment of Regulations Nos. 12 and 56 under the Forestry Act, 1916. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:

1. 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 Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
   State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1919.
   Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

   By Mr. James,—
   (2.) Industrial Arbitration (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 industrial arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
   State Government House, Sydney, 10th September, 1919.
   Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
By Sir George Fuller,—

(3.) Weights and Measures (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 weights and measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, and the Weight and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916; to regulate the making and sale of bread, and to repeal the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

(4.) Totalizator (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 Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

(5.) Pure Food (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 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

(6.) Public Health (Dangerous Infectious or Contagious Diseases) 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 for preserving the public health; to prevent the spread of diseases; to provide that under certain conditions persons suffering from certain diseases may be removed to and detained in hospitals; to regulate the conveyance of corpses and the speedy interment of the dead; to provide that the business of hairdressers be carried on in a sanitary manner; to amend the Public Health Act, 1903, the Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

(7.) Ambulance Transport Service 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 rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Holman made a statement to the House as to the arrangements which the Government had made for the completion of the inquiry in connection with the Georgeson Wheat Contract and the general administration of the Wheat Pool.

4. WAYS AND MEANS (Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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

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

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

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

Mr. Mark F. Morton, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred, on 27th August, 1919, the Petition of Frances M. Walker and another against the return of John Edward Birt, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington.

And the said Report was read at length by the Clerk, by direction of Mr. Speaker, as follows:

"The Committee of Elections and Qualifications, duly appointed on the 27th August, 1919, to whom was referred, on 27th August, 1919, a Petition from Frances M. Walker and another against the return of John Edward Birt, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington, have determined and do hereby declare:

1. That the Petitioners, Frances M. Walker and another, having withdrawn their opposition to the return of John Edward Birt, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington, your Committee determine and report that John Edward Birt, Esquire, was duly elected for such Electoral District.

2. That the Committee make no award as to costs.

M. F. MORTON,
Chairman.

Mr. Morton moved, That the Report and Minutes of Proceedings be printed.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Morton then moved, That the Committee of Elections and Qualifications have leave to adjourn sine die, the matters referred to them having been disposed of.

Question put and passed.

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. James.—

(1.) Local Government (Main Roads) 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 construction and maintenance of main roads; for the establishment of funds for those purposes; for the borrowing of money for the construction of main roads; for the amendment of the laws relating to local government; for the amendment of the Audit Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House.
Sydney, 20th August, 1919.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill. 65691
(2.) Local Government (Greater Newcastle) 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 constitute a Greater Newcastle; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th August, 1919.

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

By Mr. Bell,—

(3.) Clarence River (Northern Breakwater) 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 a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

3. INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette, dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

4. YANCE TO GRIFFITH RAILWAY 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 line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

5. THE ROCK TO PULLETO RAILWAY 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 line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. RICHMOND TO KURRANGONG RAILWAY 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 line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

7. SECRET COMMISSIONS PROHIBITION BILL:—Mr. David Storey 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 prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prevention of fraud; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

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.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER, 1919, A.M.

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

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to 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 towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year 1919-20 there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £66,262 as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1919-20.

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

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearsley, as Chairman, brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee.

10. 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.

Question put and passed.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Ball, Mr. Birt, Mr. Ball, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Davin, Mr. C. R. W. McDonald, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Brunsteil, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Cooke, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Crane, Mr. Dog, Colonel Osolow,
Mr. Dog, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Robin, Mr. Keegan,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Grimson, Mr. Grimson, Mr. Weare,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Zeill,
Mr. James, Mr. James, Teller,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Lee, Major Shillington,
Mr. Manning, Mr. Manning, Mr. Weaver.

Noes, 20.

Mr. flirt, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Michael Burke, Teller,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. William Davie,
Mr. Davidson, Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lezainin,
Mr. McKell, Mr. Match,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk,
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Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Tom Smith,

Mr. Mr. flirt, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Michael Burke, Teller,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. William Davie,
Mr. Davidson, Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lezainin,
Mr. McKell, Mr. Match,
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Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lezainin,
Mr. McKell, Mr. Match,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Tom Smith,
New South Wales.

No. 14.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

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

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission, with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th September, 1919.

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

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper—Amendment of Regulation under the Justices (Fees) Act, 1904.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation No. 48, under the Closer Settlement Acts, and Amended Form No. 37, under the Closer Settlement Act, 1904.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. SELF-DETERMINATION FOR IRELAND:—Mr. McGarry moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived for the British Parliament to grant self-determination to Ireland.

(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by the Premier to the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29,

Mr. Dr. Arthur, Mr. James,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Leun
Mr. Regina, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Bevin, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Beeny, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Buntoneshaw, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Cooks, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Green, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Doen, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Tellers,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Tellers,
Mr. Holmes, Captain Chaffey,
Mr. Hoskins, Colonel Oakeshaw,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. James,

Noes, 28,

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Burke, Mr. McHarg,
Mr. Beclley, Mr. Mclll,
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. George Cass, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Doey, Mr. John Storey,
Captain Dunn, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Estall, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Simon Hikey, Tellers,
Mr. Johnson, Tellers,
Mr. Keenley, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Match,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Mutch,
Mr. Lazzarini

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
4. Abolition of Office of State Governor:—Mr. Gardiner moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the office of State Governor should be forthwith abolished.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lang moved, That the Honorable Member for Orange, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, be not further heard.

Question put and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Laidner,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Bassett, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Bas, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Bennett, Colonel Unslow,
Mr. Briner, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Robinson,
Mr. Cocks, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Crane, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Grinn, Mr. Venceus,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Tellers,
Mr. Heskins, Captain Chaffey,
Mr. Hutt, Major Shillington.

Noes, 20.
Mr. Birt, Mr. Wright.
Mr. P. M. Burke, Tellers,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. William Davies,
Mr. George Can, Mr. Cockburn,
Mr. Goffman, Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. O'Brien.

Dr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bas,
Mr. Bassett,
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Brentnell,
Mr. Cocks,
Mr. Crane,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. George Fuller,
Mr. Grinn,
Mr. D. R. Hall,
Mr. Heskins,
Mr. Hutt,
Mr. Laidner,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Oakes,
Colonel Unslow,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Robinson,
Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Venceus,
Tellers,
Captain Chaffey,
Major Shillington.

Mr. Birt,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. George Can,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Cockburn,
Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bassett,
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Brentnell,
Mr. Cocks,
Mr. Crane,
Mr. D. R. Hall,
Mr. Heskins,
Mr. Hutt,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Robinson,
Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Walker,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Bas, Lieutenant-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Bassett, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Briner, Colonel Unslow,
Mr. Briner, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Robinson,
Mr. Brentnell, Major Shillington,
Mr. Cocks, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Crane, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Grinn, Tellers,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Heskins, Mr. Walker,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Lockman,
Mr. George Cann.

Noes, 20.
Mr. Birt, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Michael Burke, Tellers,
Mr. George Cann.
Mr. William Davies, Captain Davis,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Kearnsley,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Longmire,
Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. McFarry,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright.

Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. Hirt.
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. David Storey,
Mr. George Cann.
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Mr. David Storey,

Mr. Birt,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. George Cann.
Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. Hirt.

Mr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bassett,
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Brentnell,
Mr. Cocks,
Mr. Crane,
Mr. D. R. Hall,
Mr. Heskins,
Mr. Hutt,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Robinson,
Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Walker,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly; at half-past Eight o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

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

Daniel Levy,
Speaker
WEDNESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

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 Barony Endowment Board for the year ended 30th June, 1919. 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.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Schedule to the Estimates for 1919-20. Ordered to be printed.

2. THE ASHTONFIELDS COAL MINES RAILWAY BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable 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 Alnwick," 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 September, 1919.

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

3. MEMBER SWORN:—James Guy Dalley Arkins, Esquire, 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 Castlereagh.

4. 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, 18 SEPTEMBER, 1919, A.M.

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

Question put,—That leave be given to sit again.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. James,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Balm, Mr. W. Milhaid,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Briker, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Brutnell, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Robston,
Mr. Colquhoun, Major Shillingdon,
Mr. Cress, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Patrick, Mr. Warren,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Tellers,
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Manning,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Hopkins,

Noes, 23.
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Torn Smith,
Mr. Birt, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Vaughan,
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyley, Mr. Doris,
Mr. Keagan, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Kessley, Mr. McKeil,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Match,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Lazarini.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the House continuing to sit after Midday,—

THURSDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

5. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir George Fuller, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 1919, a.m.

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

6. PAPER:—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:— 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. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair at twenty minutes after Three o'clock, a.m. (Friday), until Tuesday next, at half-past Four o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. 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, 1919; 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.

8. URGENCY—STATEMENT MADE BY THE HONORABLE W. C. GRAHAME, M.L.A:—Mr. Beeby proceeding to move as a matter of urgency for the consideration of a motion in favour of the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into a certain statement by Mr. Grahame, Minister for Agriculture, during the Debate on the Address in Reply,—

Mr. Speaker said that a Notice openly given became the property of the House. A Member having given Notice for To-morrow—that was, in Parliamentary parlance, To-morrow—could not move to discuss the matter as one of urgency, as, in the event of that and the subsequent Motion for suspension of the Standing Orders being carried, he would then be discussing a Motion of which he had given Notice. A Member could not anticipate the discussion of any Motion of which Notice had been given, even though given by himself; that would be an infringement of the rule against the anticipation and duplication of discussion. It had been ruled on 22nd October, 1903, that the suspension of the Standing Orders only cleared the way for a Motion to be moved in advance of its regular order, but would not necessarily preclude the Motion being ruled out of order if it anticipated discussion on an Order of the Day already on the Notice Paper. The same principle applied in this case. He raised that Notice having been given of a Motion for a future day, it was not competent to move for the suspension of the Standing Orders to discuss it To-day.

9.
9. Supply:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER, 1919, A.M.

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

The House adjourned, at one minute after Eight o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

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

URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—STATEMENT MADE BY THE HONORABLE W. C. GRAHAM, M.L.A.:—

(1.) Mr. Beeby moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Beeby, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry, Mr. F. McGarry, Mr. Bagmill, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Brunskill, Mr. Percey, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallon, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Robert, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Fallick, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Honan, Mr. Rook, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Warriner.

Mr. Beeby, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry, Mr. F. McGarry, Mr. Bagmill, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Brunskill, Mr. Percey, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallon, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Robert, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Fallick, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Honan, Mr. Rook, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Warriner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Beeby 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. 1 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Debate ensued.

Disorder:—By direction of Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Member for Murrumbidgee, Mr. McGarry, was removed from the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order 392.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Beeby, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry, Mr. F. McGarry, Mr. Bagmill, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Brunskill, Mr. Percey, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallon, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Robert, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Fallick, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Honan, Mr. Rook, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Warriner.

Noes, 32.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. James, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane, Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee, Mr. Davin, Mr. Lay, Mr. Beeby, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Brunskill, Mr. Oakes, Captains Chaffey, Colonel Oakley, Mr. Coeks, Mr. Perry, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Holman, Mr. Brumhill, Mr. Oakes, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Nurse, Mr. D. K. Hall, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Honan, Mr. Doe, Mr. Honan, Mr. Oakes, Major Shillington.

And so it passed in the negative.
2. **PAPERS** — Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper: — Amended Regulations Nos. 111 and 112, and new Regulation No. 113, under the Mining Act, 1906.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT** — Mr. Holman informed the House that it was the intention of the Government to proceed with the Railways and Lands Estimates at today's sitting, and the Regulations under the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918, to-morrow.

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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 31st July, 1919.

Ordered to be printed, together with attached Schedules.

5. **SUPPLY** — The Order of the Day having been read,— on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,

**THURSDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER, 1919, A.M.**

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

The House adjourned, at twenty-eight minutes after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., this Day.

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

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker.
No. 17.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

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

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


(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment of Mr. Arthur Crawley Lloyd, on probation for six months, as Analyst, Tweed Tick Area, Department of Agriculture. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. REGULATIONS UNDER SECTION 3 OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1918:—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That this "House" approves of the Regulations made by the Governor, under Section 3 of the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918, which were laid upon the Table on the 21st August last, and that the foregoing resolution be conveyed to His Excellency.

Point of Order:—Mr. Dooley asked Mr. Speaker whether this motion would be taken firstly as if it were a motion for the second reading of a Bill, and whether the regulations could afterwards be amended at the Committee stage as would be the case if a Bill were under review. Mr. Speaker said this was a matter he had looked into very carefully. He must say that it was a novel question and that there was no precedent at all to guide him. Certainly the ordinary rules of procedure permitted an amendment to every question that was submitted to this House. But he must ask himself what was the question. The question was one of approval of a certain series of regulations made by the Governor and formally laid upon the Table of the House in pursuance of Section 3 (a) of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act which reads as follows:

"The Governor may make regulations prescribing the method of voting and of counting the votes at any such election. Such regulations shall be laid before the Legislative Assembly within seven days after the meeting thereof if Parliament is sitting, and if Parliament is not sitting then within seven days after the next meeting of Parliament, and upon the carrying of a resolution by such Assembly in approval thereof and upon their publication in the Gazette they shall have the force of law."

Honorable Members would at once see that the procedure provided by the Act for the making of regulations and giving them the force of law was quite different from that which was generally provided for in other Acts of Parliament which gave the Governor power to make regulations for carrying the provisions of the Act into full effect. In other Acts it was generally provided that the regulations when made, on being published in the Gazette, had the full force of law and should be laid before both Houses of Parliament within a certain time; while in some cases the Act provided that the regulations should have the full force of law unless disapproved by Parliament or both Houses within a certain time. By this Act, however—and he might say parenthetically that there was no similar provision in any Act that he had searched—the regulations having been made by the Governor must be laid before the Legislative Assembly within a certain time, and upon the House approving of such regulations and
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25th September, 1919.

and upon their publication in the Gazette they had the force of law. It must be observed that the Act gave the House no initiative power in making regulations. It virtually gave the Assembly what was sometimes somewhat loosely described as a " veto." This House might in effect say these regulations shall or shall not have our approval, and, therefore, shall or shall not have the force of law. But inasmuch as the regulations had already been made by the Governor, he held that this House had no power to amend them just as if a formal contract had been signed by the Governor, subject to the ratification or approval of this House, it would not be competent on the resolution to ratify or approve of such contract, to introduce amendments or modifications of the terms of such contract. He expressed no opinion as to any other form of proceedings by which these regulations might be made the subject of discussion in the House. But he was clearly of opinion that on the resolution now before the House no amendments to the regulations could be accepted. Further, he was clearly of opinion that this resolution did not come within the rule which provides that where a motion consisted of more than one resolution such resolutions should be put separately if so required by any Member. This was not a motion consisting of more than one resolution. This was a specific motion for the approval of a number of regulations made by the Governor—it was a question of approval or disapproval of these regulations in toto. Such he was clear was the meaning of the section of the Act of Parliament by which he was bound. Such he conceived to be the procedure contemplated by the Act referred to.

Debate ensued.

Mr. John Storey moved, That the Question be now put. Mr. George Fuller submitted that the amendment was out of order. Under Section 3 of the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918, all that could be done was to approve or disapprove of the regulations laid on the Table. If it were possible to refer the regulations back to the Governor so that they might be amended, those amended regulations could not be laid on the Table within seven days after the meeting of Parliament as was provided by that section of the Act.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker said he was clearly of opinion that the amendment submitted by the leader of the Opposition was quite in order, and in accordance with the practice adopted in moving amendments in the House. Apart altogether from the interpretation of the Act under which this motion was brought forward, the House was quite competent to receive an amendment such as that moved by the leader of the Opposition. In stating the practice of the House he was not concerned as to whether the following of that practice was going to have any certain effect or not. All he was concerned with was as to whether the amendment proposed was within the forms and practice of the House. He ruled that it was. If it should transpire that, as stated by the Chief Secretary, it would have the effect of nullifying, or postponing compliance with, the provisions of Section 3 of the amending Act, that would have nothing whatever to do with him. He was satisfied that the motion was in order, and he ruled to that effect.

Debate continued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put. Question put,—"That the Question be now put." The House divided.

Ayes, 37. Mr. Bailey, Mr. Longhia.
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Hunt, Mr. H. Birt, Mr. McCurry.
Mr. Ascroft, Mr. James, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. McKeil.
Mr. Baggall, Mr. Lane, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Nutt.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Ravis, Mr. Lee, Mr. George Cona, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Rehy, Mr. Ley, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Beaslat, Mr. Manning, Mr. Coochm, Mr. Thomas.
Mr. Reiner, Mr. Llewellyn-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Brand sells, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Dooley.
Mr. Cooke, Colonel Cashlow, Mr. Dryg.
Mr. Coghoun, Mr. Robson, Mr. Snell, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Doe, Major Shillingston, Mr. Vellows, Mr. Blundy.
Mr. Edlen, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Day, Mr. Hill.
Mr. Lalick, Mr. Thompson, Captain Davis, Mr. Hew.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Estell, Mr. P. M. Burke.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Veiver, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Johnston.
Mr. O'Griff, "Tellers," Mr. Simon Hickey.
Mr. Graeme, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Kearsey, Mr. Johnston.
Mr. D. H. Hall, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Magee, Mr. Johnston.
Mr. Hockin. Mr. Lazzarini.

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

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

Ayes, 37.

3. SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER—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. Then proceed to sit after Midnight,—
The Committee continuing to sit after Midday,—

FRIDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER, 1919.

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

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

The Temporary Chairman then moved, That the report be now received.

The House divided.

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


Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. II.—Executive and Legislative.

(2.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £33,201, for Executive and Legislative, for the year 1919–20.

No. III.—Premier.

(3.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £76,953, for Premier, for the year 1919–20.

No. IV.—Colonial Secretary and Minister of Public Health.

(4.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,728,396, for Colonial Secretary and Minister of Public Health, for the year 1919–20.

No. V.—Treasurer and Secretary for Finance and Trade.

(5.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,596,549, for Treasurer and Secretary for Finance and Trade, for the year 1919–20.

No. VI.—Railways.

(6.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,042,837, for Railways and Tramways—Existing Lines—Working Expenses, for the year 1919–20.

No. VII.—Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.

(7.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £446,303, for Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice, for the year 1919–20.

No. VIII.—Secretary for Lands.

(8.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £479,322, for Secretary for Lands, for the year 1919–20.

No. IX.—Minister for Public Works.

(9.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £913,900, for Minister for Public Works, for the year 1919–20.

No. X.—Public Instruction.

(10.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,469,780 for Public Instruction, for the year 1919–20.

No. XI.—Department of Labour and Industry.

(11.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £69,299, for Department of Labour and Industry, for the year 1919–20.

No. XII.—Secretary for Mines.

(12.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £75,746, for Secretary for Mines, for the year 1919–20.

No. XIII.—
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
25th September, 1919.

No. XIII.—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

(13.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £286,706, for Department of Agriculture, for the year 1919-20.

No. XIV.—MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

(14.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £373,329, for Minister for Local Government, for the year 1919-20.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1919, FROM THE VOTE "ADVANCE TO TREASURER," 1918-19, ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1918-19, COMMITTED FOR PARLIAMENTARY APPROPRIATION IN ADJUSTMENT OF THE ADVANCE VOTE.

(15.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £102,009 16s. 3d., in adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1918-19.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1919, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1918-19, MADE IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SANCTION OF PARLIAMENT.

(16.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £557,931 5s. 11d., for Services of the year 1918-19.

Public Works Fund.

PUBLIC WORKS FUND ESTIMATE, 1919-20.

(17.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £604,711 for Works and Services to be provided for out of Public Works Fund.

Closer Settlement Fund.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT FUND ESTIMATE, 1919-20.

(18.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £135,000, to provide for the Acquisition of Land for the purposes of Closer Settlement and Contingent Expenses—further sum.

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

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

5. PAPERS.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Schedules A to G—Estimates (Consolidated Revenue Fund) 1919-1920—Department of Public Works.
Ordered to be printed.

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 Mr. Johnston, 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:—

(2.) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—
(a) For the Service of the financial year 1919-20, the sum of £18,589,301 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
(b) In adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1918-19, for Services of the financial year 1918-19, the sum of £102,009 16s. 2d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
(c) For Services of the financial year 1918-19, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £557,931 5s. 11d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(3.) Resolved,—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Works and Services, the sum of £604,711 be granted out of the Public Works Fund.

(4.) Resolved,—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Services, the sum of £135,000 be granted out of the Closer Settlement Fund.

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

7. 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, 1919, to the 30th day of June, 1920 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1918-19, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919, (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments "Unauthorised in Suspense," Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1918-19; 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.

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(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intitled "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, 1919, to the 30th day of June, 1920 (exclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1918-19, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1918-19; 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 first time.

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

8. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next, at Two o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at ten minutes after Four o'clock p.m., until Tuesday next, at Two o'clock.

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
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. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Order of the Day No. 1 of Government Business on the Notice Paper for To-day, and pass the Appropriation Bill through all its remaining stages in one day. Question put, and passed.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of Order of the Day No. 1 of Government Business on the Notice Paper for To-day, and the passing of the Appropriation Bill through all its remaining stages in one day. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

3. APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) 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. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Bruntnell, appointed Chairman under Standing Order 305, reported the Bill without amendment. On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, 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. 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, 1919, to the 30th day of June, 1920 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1918-19, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent duties on account of Services of the year 1918-19; 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." 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 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, 1919, to the 30th day of June, 1920 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1918-19; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the 'Lower Settlement Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,'—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th September, 1919.

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

(1.) Report of the Housing Board on the Dacey Garden Suburb and Observatory Hill ("The "Rocks") Resumed Area, for the year ended 30th June, 1919, together with Photographs and Plans.

(2.) Report of the State Debt Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. 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 payable in the year 1920; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th August, 1919.

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

7. IRRIGATION COMMISSION:—Mr. McGarry moved, pursuant to Notice, 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.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.
Mr. Bronteell, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Faulk, Mr. Hinks, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. Manning, Mr. Mc rating, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. E. L. Nicholls, Mr. Chamberlay, Mr. Oakas, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Perry, Mr. Shirling, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Walker, Mr. Weares, Mr. Weavers, Mr. Zeiil, Teller, Teller, Teller.

Noes, 17.
Mr. Burt, Mr. Michael Bourke, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Captain Dana, Mr. Wright, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Estell, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 21st October.

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8. 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 Surplus granted for the Service of the year from the 1st day of July, 1919, to the 30th day of June, 1920 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1918-19, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1918-19; 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, 30th September, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

The House adjourned, at sixteen minutes before Ten o’clock, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

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

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

Messages from the Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. David Storey, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies' Incorporation 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such Society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 25th September, 1919.

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

(2.) Meat Industry (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, 
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to extend the application of the Meat Industry Act, 1915; to provide for the registration of certain premises and carts; to amend the said Act and certain other Acts; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

State Government House,
Sydney, 30th September, 1919.

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

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

(1.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment of Dr. Winifred Lurline Dillon as Medical Officer, Department of Public Instruction.

(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment of Mr. T. C. Hawkes as Dentist, Medical Branch, Department of Public Instruction.

(3.) Abstract of Crown Lands authorised to be dedicated to Public School Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. 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 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 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 1920.

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

4. 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. 5) to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1920; 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 payable in the year 1920; 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.

5. Precedence of Business on Tuesdays (Sessional Order):—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

6. Education (Deaf and Blind Children) Bill:—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 education of the deaf and the blind.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 provide for the education of the deaf and the blind.

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

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

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

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

PAPERS:

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rule under the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1899. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage for year ended 30th June, 1919; together with Appendices, Diagrams, Photos., and Plan. Ordered to be printed.

2. BROUGHTON HALL AND COAST HOSPITAL EXTENSIONS CONSTRUCTION BILL:—Mr. Ball, pursuant to leave granted on 5th September, 1919, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

3. WAGGA WAGGA FLOOD RELIEF FUND BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of the balance remaining at the credit of the Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its occurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, President. Sydney, 2nd October, 1919.

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

4. PAPER:—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Suggested draft of a Report on the additional constitutional powers proposed to be obtained from the States to enable the Commonwealth Government to deal with profiteering and industrial unrest. Ordered to be printed.

5. TARANA TO OBERON RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill was discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

6. TARANA TO OBERON RAILWAY BILL (NO. 2):—

(1) Mr. Ball moved, That the Order of Leave under which the Tarana to Oberon Railway Bill was brought in, be now read. Question put and passed. And the said Order of Leave (as recorded in the Votes and Proceedings No. 10 of Friday, 5th September, 1919, Entry 6) read by the Clerk by direction of Mr. Speaker.

(2) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.
7. Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage 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 carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. Clarence River (Northern Breakwater) 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 breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

9. Parramatta Sewerage (Surplus Funds) 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 provide for the transfer of certain surplus sewerage funds from the Council of the Municipality of Parramatta to the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

10. Yanco to Griffith Railway 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,”—which was read a first time.

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

11. The Rock to Pulletop Railway 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.

12. Richmond to Kurrajong Railway 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

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

13. 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.

Mr. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Honorable Member for Gloucester, Mr. Price, be not further heard.

Question put and passed.

Question,—That this Bill be now read a second time,—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

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

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

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

14. 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.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-five minutes before Nine o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER, 1919.

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

PAPERS:

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. Amendment of Form under the Forestry Act, 1916.
2. Amended Regulations under the Forestry Act, 1916

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Amended By-laws (Lismore Sewerage) under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905.

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 Air. Ball,—

(1.) Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage 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 carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow, to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.


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

By Mr. James,—

(2.) Children of Employees 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 payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 7th October, 1919.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
3. Irrigation Commission:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. McGarry, "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."—And the Question being again proposed,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Johnston moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "of," and inserting the words "a Commission upon which the farmers shall have full representation," instead thereof.

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

Ordered,—That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 21st October.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

4. Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Deputy-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 the settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisal of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revaluation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on the motion of the Temporary Chairman, That the report be 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 further provision with regard to the settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisal of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revaluation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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,—which was read a first time.

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

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 the settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisal of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revaluation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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,"—which was read a first time.

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

5. Crown Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Deputy-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 relating to Crown Lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; and for other purposes.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

7th October, 1910.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 relating to Crown Lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; and for other purposes.

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

6. Share-farming 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 to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such land for purposes of share-farming or under the Crown Lands Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such resumptions; to enable the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend the Crown Lands Acts and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

7. 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 to consider the expedience of bringing in a Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts; to extend the provisions of Part 2 of the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1918, to conditional purchases, homestead selections, and to certain leasehold tenures; to limit the rates of commission which may be charged by agents on the sale of land under the said part; and for other purposes.

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 provide for the purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such land for purposes of share-farming or under the Crown Lands Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such resumptions; to enable the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend the Crown Lands Acts 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.

8. Forestry Act, 1910—Revocation of Dedication of State Forests.—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Forestry Act, 1910, this House agrees to the revocation of the dedication of the State Forests indicated in the Schedule hereunder:

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| 44  | 665        | Selwyn     | ...    | Burra | ... | 293 |  

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

Debate ensued.

Question and passed.

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### (2.) Hydro-electric Development (Construction) 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 sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.
10. Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage 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 sanction the carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
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 sanction the carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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. Clarence River (Northern Breakwater) 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 sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
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 sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 nine minutes after Eleven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Four o'clock.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill was, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

DEATH OF THE HONORABLE ALFRED DEAKIN:—Sir George Fuller, on behalf of Honorable Members, expressed regret at the death of the Honorable Alfred Deakin; one whose name would be green for many generations to come as a great statesman who had helped to build up the Empire. Mr. Dooley addressed the House, and joined with the Acting Leader of the House in his expressions of regret.

PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1884; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

CHILDREN OF EMPLOYEES 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 providing for payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. David Storey 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. Storey, 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. Storey, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

CONVEYANCING 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. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at sixteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

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

Paper:—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. Income Tax Bill (Formal Order of the Day),—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 1920; 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 1920; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th October, 1919.

3. 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 inaction of the Government with respect to the recommendation of the Select Committee respecting the claims of old railway servants on retirement.”

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.

Point of Order:—Mr. Edden pointed out that during the consideration of the Estimates, which had just been passed, all such matters could have been discussed, and he assumed that this particular matter had been discussed. He submitted that this matter, having been discussed on the Estimates, could not be raised a second time in the same Session.

Mr. Speaker said he had carefully considered that point. He found that the report of the Select Committee on this subject was adopted on the 5th February, 1918, and he thought that the subject-matter of the motion was definite. The fact that the matter might have been discussed on the Estimates should not, in his opinion, preclude the raising of it now on a motion of adjournment.

Debate continued.

Mr. David Storey moved, That the Question be now put.

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

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And so it passed in the negative.

4. **Printing Committee**—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.

5. **Maintenance of Children's 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 payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) 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 provide for payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918; 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 payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further 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 on Wednesday next.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MAIN ROADS) 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 construction and maintenance of main roads; for the establishment of funds for those purposes; for the borrowing of money for the construction of main roads; for the amendment of the laws relating to Local Government; for the amendment of the Audit Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, 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 better provision for the construction and maintenance of main roads; for the establishment of funds for those purposes; for the borrowing of money for the construction of main roads; for the amendment of the laws relating to Local Government; for the amendment of the Audit Act, 1902, and 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 construction and maintenance of main roads; for the establishment of funds for those purposes; for the borrowing of money for the construction of main roads; for the amendment of the laws relating to Local Government; for the amendment of the Audit 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. INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette, dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette, dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette, dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; 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. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. D. R. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-four minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Thirty-sixth Annual Report, with Appendices, under the Inscribed Stock Acts, 1902-1914.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rule under the authority of the Charter of Justice.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICE BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. David Storey, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Storey then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to make better provision for rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; 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 rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14 October, 1919.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Albury, Mr. Manning, 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 action of the "Railway Commissioners in accepting applications for stock trucks without insisting that a deposit of £1 per truck be lodged with applications."

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. Lang drew attention to the fact that the Honorable Member for Albury was discussing a matter of policy of the Railway Commissioners. He was thereby anticipating discussion upon Notice of Motion No. 26, standing in the name of the Honorable Member for Upper Hunter, on the Notice Paper, for an inquiry into the administration of the Railway Commissioners.
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Mr. Speaker said he could not sustain the Point of Order. It was quite true that the point the Honorable Member was dealing with in the motion now before the House was a question of policy, and it was correct also that there was, on the Notice Paper, a Notice of Motion that an inquiry should be held into the administration of the Railway Commissioners, particularly with regard to policy, finance, and staff. If he were to take the view which the Honorable Member for Granville had put before him, however, it would mean that no matter relating to the administration or policy of the Railways could be discussed on a motion for adjournment while a motion of this kind was on the Business Paper. He took it that it would be an exceedingly dangerous thing, because it would shut out matters of immediate importance and urgency. He presumed this was a matter of urgency, and, in his opinion, it would be derogating from the rights of Honorable Members to hold that a matter of this kind could not be discussed because a general motion was already on the Business Paper. He understood that some conflicting rulings had, in the past, been given on this point, but he took the view that the Honorable Member for Albury was quite in order in moving this motion for adjournment.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Toni Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright.

Tellers, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Kell.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. Uhr's Point State Timber Yard:—Mr. Keegan moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the management and administration of the Uhr's Point State Timber Yard.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Hall, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Grimm, Captain Carmichael, and the Mover.

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 Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

5. Public Service (Amendment) Bill (No. 2):—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. B. Hall, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1901, 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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th October, 1919.

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. B. 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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr.
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 Public Service Act, 1902, the
Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1918, the Superannuation
(Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1834; to make further provision for the
appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the
Public Service Board; 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 amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the
Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1918, the Superannuation
(Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1834; to make further provision for the appoint-
ment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public
Service Board; 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. CONVEYANCING 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. Bavin, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and
obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

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

W S. MOWLE,
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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

PAPER:—Mr. David Storey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Inspector-General of Mental Hospitals for 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. REGISTRATION OF SUCCESSORY TRUSTS BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intitled "An Act to provide for the registration of certain trusts as successory trusts; for dealing with trusts so registered; to amend the Trustees Act, 1898, the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897, and the Real Property Act, 1900; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 15th October, 1919.

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. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Holman, referring to the inquiry now proceeding before a Royal Commissioner into certain transactions connected with the Department of Agriculture, informed the House that he had arranged that the Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Grahame, should be relieved from the duties of his post until the day the inquiry terminated. The Secretary for Lands, Mr. Ashford, would be sworn in as Acting Minister for Agriculture; the Secretary for Public Works, Mr. Ball, would assist Mr. Ashford in the administration of the Agriculture Department; and the Honorary Minister, Mr. Oakes, would assist Mr. Ball in the routine work of his Department.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Leichhardt, Captain Carmichael, 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 to cancel a tentative contract entered into between the Government and the agent of certain Japanese manufacturers for the supply of cork board."

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

Captain Carmichael moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.
Mr. Holt.
Mr. Buckley.
Mr. F. M. Burke.
Mr. Michael Burke.
Captain Carmichael.
Mr. Davidson.
Mr. William Davies.
Mr. Dayle.
Captain Dunn.
Mr. Gardiner.
Mr. Simon Hickey.
Mr. Kearsley.
Mr. Lang.
Mr. McKell.
Mr. Match.
Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Tom Smith.
Mr. John Storey.
Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 36.
Dr. Arthur.
Mr. Ashford.
Mr. Bagdall.
Mr. Bavin.
Mr. Bessby.
Mr. Bennells.
Mr. Better.
Mr. Bevan.
Mr. Battenahaw.
Captain Cliffe.
Mr. Cooke.
Mr. Edens.
Mr. Failkie.
Sir George Fuller.
Mr. Glemm.
Mr. Hodgens.
Mr. Hunt.
Mr. James.
Mr. John Storey.
Mr. Lane.

Tellers:
Mr. Latimer.
Mr. Lee.
Mr. W. Mildred.
Mr. Harry Morton.
Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Oakes.
Colonel Onslow.
Mr. Perry.
Mr. Bolson.
Major Shillington.
Mr. David Storey.
Mr. Thomas.
Mr. Wearn.
Mr. Zill.
Mr. Cameron.
Mr. Ley.
5. Share-farming Bill:—Mr. James, on behalf of Mr. Ashford, pursuant to leave granted on 7th October, 1919, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for the purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such land for purposes of share-farming or under the Crown Land Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such resumptions; to enable the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend 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 tomorrow.

6. Maintenance of Children Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

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

Captain Dunn moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until tomorrow.
The House adjourned, at six minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly  

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker,
1. The House not pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

INCOME TAX 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 increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1920; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 15th October, 1919.

B. R. O'CONOR,
Deputy-President.

PAPER:—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Conference between the Prime Minister and the Premiers, held in Melbourne October, 1919, to deal with the legal aspects of the proposed alterations of the Constitution. Ordered to be printed.

3. ADJOURNMENT (I.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Botany, Mr. Mutch, 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 purchase of the useless timbers of a hulk, and the use of Moreton Bay fig-trees as timber, by the Railway Commissioners." And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

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

Point of Order:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick submitted that as the subject of the motion embraced two different matters, it was not of a specific character and was therefore out of order.

Debate ensued.

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. The House divided.

Ayes, 22.
Mr. Bart.
Mr. Coghlan.
Mr. Davidson.
Mr. William Davies.
Mr. Dooley.
Captain Davis.
Mr. Etel.
Mr. Gardner.
Mr. Simon Hickey.
Mr. Johnston.
Mr. Kearley.
Mr. Keegan.
Mr. Lang.
Mr. Laughlin.
Mr. McKell.
Mr. Mutch.
Mr. Price.
Mr. John Storey.
Mr. Stuart Robertson.
Mr. Wright.
Mr. Michael Burke.
Mr. George Cunn.

Noes, 39.
Dr. Arthur.
Mr. Ashford.
Mr. Ruggall.
Mr. Balf.
Mr. Bavin.
Mr. Scobie.
Mr. Bennett.
Mr. Cameron.
Captain Cheyne.
Mr. Croke.
Mr. McKew.
Mr. Parlick.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.
Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller.
Mr. D. R. Hall.
Mr. Holman.
Mr. Hecks.
Mr. Hunt.
Mr. James.
Mr. Lea.
Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ley.
Mr. Manning.
Mr. W. Millard.
Tellers, Mr. Harry Morton.
Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Oakes.
Colonel Guile.
Mr. Ferry.
Major Shillington.
Mr. David Storey.
Mr. Thomas.
Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Walker.
Mr. Warren.

And so it passed in the negative.
4. MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN 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. Price moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

5. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. John Storey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. CROWN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Davidson moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

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

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

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

Print Committee:—Mr. Oakes, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Fifth Report from the Printing Committee.

2. Maintenance of Children 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. Price moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word “That” and inserting the words “the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. James, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. John Storey, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Lang, and the Mover,”—instead thereof.

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Hoskins 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-five minutes after Seven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. Mowle,

Daniel Levy,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Speaker.

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and Loss Account of the State Drug Dept for the year ended 30th June, 1919.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Constitution, Business, and Operations of Sydney Ferries Limited (Vol. 1).
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.) Income Tax Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON; Message No. 58.
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1920; 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 October, 1919.

By Mr. Ashford:—

(2.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON; Message No. 59.
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 imposition and collection of a rate on teamsters, carriers, and travellers' large stock; to provide for the appointment of permit inspectors; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, as amended by the Pastures Protection (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
State Government House, Sydney, 18th October, 1919.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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(3.) Western Lands (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 Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 18th October, 1919.

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

By Mr. D. R. Hall,—

(4.) 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 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 18th October, 1919.

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 King, Mr. Tom Smith, 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 inaction of the Government regarding the policy of the New South Wales Board of Fire Commissioners of imposing disabilities on members of the A.I.F. and granting privileges to Imperial Reservists."

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

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

Point of Order:—Sir George Fuller submitted that the motion contained two separate matters and, therefore, did not comply with the terms of the Standing Order which provided that the subject should consist of a definite matter.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker considered that it was one matter which was referred to. He could not sustain the Point of Order.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

4. REFERENDUM ON ABOLITION OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—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, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should be abolished,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

5. MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN 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."

Upon which Mr. Price had moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words "the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report."

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. James, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. John Storey, Captain Carmichael, Mr. Lang, and the Mover,—instead thereof,—

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Debate continued.

Mr. David Storey moved, That the Question be now put.

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

Ayes, 43:
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Briner, Mr. Brustnell, Mr. Huttonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Capt. Chaffey, Mr. Crain, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grell, Mr. Grimm, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane.

Noes, 26:
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. E. Burke, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Capt. Dunn, Mr. Estell, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Match, Mr. Price, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 46:
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Briner, Mr. Brustnell, Mr. Huttonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Grell, Mr. Grimm, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane.

Noes, 28:
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. E. Burke, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Capt. Dunn, Mr. Estell, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Match, Mr. Price, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question again proposed,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 44:
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Briner, Mr. Brustnell, Mr. Huttonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Grell, Mr. Grimm, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane.

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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
Question put.—That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Arkis, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Barrall, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Bell, Mr. McCarthy,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Birrer, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Boultrall, Mr. Mark P. Morton,
Mr. Cameron, Lieut-Col. Nicholson,
Captain Gladboy, Mr. Percy,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Doe, Major Shillington,
Mr. Fall, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Groff, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Grimn, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Halmam, Mr. Zilli,
Mr. Horkins, Tellers,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Butterenhaw;
Mr. James, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lene, Mr. Latimer.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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 To-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-two minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 1919.

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

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

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to Public Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Act on 17th October, 1919.

(3.) Additional Regulation under the Water Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. REFERENDUM ON ABOLITION OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Estell moved, pursuant to Standing Order No. 121, That the Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell, “That, in the opinion of this House, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should be abolished,” which lapsed on Government Business taking precedence at half-past Six o’clock on Tuesday, 21st October, 1919, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday, 4th November.

Question put and passed.

3. REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY:—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Honorable Daniel Levy, the Honorable Member for Darlinghurst, and Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, be re-elected as representative of the Legislative Assembly on the Senate of the University of Sydney.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Levy made his acknowledgments to the House.

4. BROUGHTON HALL AND COAST HOSPITAL EXTENSIONS CONSTRUCTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

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

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

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

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 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,”—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, including amendments in the Title, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd October, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

LOCAL
Page 1, Title, lines 3, 4, and 5. Omit "to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks".

Page 2, clause 1, line 5. Omit "1916" insert "1919".

Page 2, clause 2, subclause 1, line 8. Omit "nineteen" insert "twenty".

Page 3, clause 4, lines 1 to 9 inclusive. Omit definition of "Public road" and insert "Public road" means road which the public are entitled to use, and includes any road dedicated as a public road by any person or notified, proclaimed or dedicated as a public road under the authority of any Act, including this Act, or classified as a main road in the Gazette of the 31st day of December, one thousand nine hundred and six.

Page 5, clause 5. Omit lines 27 to 38 inclusive and insert "Subdivision," "subdivide," and similar expressions mean and refer to dividing land into parts not being lots or portions in a Crown private subdivision made before or after the commencement of this Act whether the dividing is—
(a) by sale conveyance transfer or partition; or
(b) by any agreement dealing or instrument inter vivos (other than a lease for a period not exceeding five years without option of renewal) rendering different parts thereof immediately available for separate occupation or disposition; or
(c) by procuring the issue of a certificate of title under the Real Property Act, 1900, in respect of a part of the land; but do not include—
(a) any division of land by following the boundaries of lots or portions in a Crown plan; or
(b) any severance of land by the opening of a public road.


Page 11, clause 6. After line 3 insert "The Shire Loans (Amendment) Act, 1918."

Page 14, clause 10. After line 8 insert "the Liquor Act, 1913."

Page 17, clause 16. At end of clause add new paragraph as follows:
(b) correct errors in the proclamation of the boundaries of areas.

Page 17, clause 19. Omit subclauses (1), (2), and (3), and insert six new subclauses as follow:

19. (1) A proposal to the Governor to exercise any power under this Part may be submitted to the Minister—
(a) by the council; or
(b) in a case where the status of any whole area will be directly affected—by fifty electors of any such area; or
(c) in a case where part of an area is proposed to be separated from one and attached to another area, or is proposed to be created a separate area—by fifty electors of that part, or, if there be less than fifty electors enrolled in respect of land situated in that part, by any number of voters not less than one-third of those so enrolled; or
(d) in a case where a general rate of fourpence in the pound on the unimproved capital value of the ratable lands in a municipality would not yield a greater income than one thousand pounds, and a proposal is to be made to unite such municipality with another area—by fifty electors of that part, or, if there be less than fifty electors enrolled in respect of land situated in that part, by any number of electors not less than one-third of those so enrolled; or

Page 19, clause 25. At end of clause add new subclause as follows:
(4) If any ordinary election of mayor or president is not held within the prescribed time "the Governor may appoint any qualified person to the office."
Page 25, clause 30, subclause (3), line 19. After paragraph (b) add new paragraphs as follow: —

or

c) he converts to his own use any property of the council; or

d) he by virtue of his office accepts or acquires any personal profit or advantage of pecuniary value other than as by this Act permitted.

Page 23, clause 30, subclause (5), line 35. After "paper" insert "of which he is the owner or part owner".

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (5), paragraph (f), line 4. After "council" insert "by him".

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (5), paragraph (g), line 7. After "renting" insert "by him".

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (5), paragraph (i), line 12. After "leasing" insert "from the council by him".

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (5). Omit paragraph (j).

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (5), paragraph (k), line 17. After "use" insert "by him".

Page 26, clause 30, subclause (6). Omit subclause.

Page 25, clause 33. At end of clause add new subclause, as follows: —

Before taking office as alderman or councillor, a person elected or appointed thereto shall, before a Commissioner of the Supreme Court or a Justice of the Peace, take the oath of allegiance to His Majesty, and make and subscribe the following declaration of office, and transmit the same to the clerk: —

I, , having been elected alderman (or councillor) of do hereby declare that I will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties of the office according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Any neglect to take such oath or to make such declaration within fourteen days after his election shall be deemed a refusal to accept office.

Page 26, clause 34. Omit clause and insert new clause 24 as follows: —

34. The office of mayor or president shall —

(a) commence on the day of his election or appointment thereto;

(b) become vacant on the day of the election or appointment of his successor, or on the occurrence of an extraordinary vacancy.

Page 30, clause 35. Omit paragraph (a) and insert new paragraphs to stand as paragraphs (a) and (aa) as follows: —

(a) for the ordinary election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty—the day following the last Friday in January;

(aa) for ordinary elections after the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty—the first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and the same day in every third year thereafter;

Page 32, clause 43, subclause (3), line 13. Omit "take".

Page 37, clause 54. After paragraph (g) insert new paragraph as follows: —

"(h) he is a soldier or sailor within the meaning of this Act and has been continuously during the three months next preceding such prescribed day resident within the municipality or shire."

Page 33, clause 55. Omit paragraph (c) and insert new paragraph as follows: —

"(c) he is a naturalised British subject who at the time of his naturalisation was a subject of Germany or of any country allied with Germany during the Great War of 1914-1919:"

Page 38, clause 58. At end of clause add —

(5) Where ordinances are in force providing for the election of the council according to the principles of proportional representation, the Governor may, irrespective of any other provisions of this Act, abolish any division into wards, or alter any division in order to provide for the election of the council by the whole municipality or by wards returning not less than five nor more than nine aldermen per ward.

Page 40, clause 59, line 2. Omit "Act."

Page 40, clause 60, line 6. Omit "divisions" insert "division."

Page 44, clause 75, subclause (5) line 35. Omit "person" insert "elector."

Page 47, clause 83, lines 9 and 10. Omit the decision of the poll shall be in accordance with this section."

Page 47, clause 83, lines 13 and 14. Omit "council may by resolution give a casting vote insert "question shall be undermined, and the same question, or one substantially the same, shall not be again submitted to a poll for a period of at least one year."
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Page 51, clause 30, lines 1 to 4 inclusive. Omits subclause (2) and inserts new subclause as follows:

(2) Where, after the commencement of this Act, a vacancy occurs in any municipality in the position of the servant having the principal oversight of the work of road construction and maintenance (whether under the title of engineer, overseer, foreman, or an other title), the council shall, if during the last preceding year its income from all sources exceeded the sum of fifteen thousand pounds, appoint an engineer who shall hold a certificate as prescribed. Provided that the Minister, on the occurrence of a vacancy as aforesaid, may grant any council an exemption from this provision.

Page 54, clause 99, subclause (5), line 13. Omits "not a member of but appointed by the council " and inserts "appointed by the Governor ".

Page 54, clause 99, subclause (5).

Page 55, clause 99, subclause (7), line 19. After "council" first occurring omit all the words to end of subclause.

Page 56, clause 102. At end of clause add new subclause as follows:

(4) For the purposes of this section "servant" shall include a person who has, within six months prior to any requirement aforesaid, been a servant of the council.

Page 60, clause 110, subclause (6), line 28. "After " or " insert " any ".

Page 60, clause 110, subclause (7), line 31. "After " or " insert " any ".

Page 61, clause 115, line 28. Omits " Subject to the provisions of this Act ".

Page 64, clause 115, lines 29 and 40. "Omit " and " insert " the words "and his decision shall be final and conclusive ".

Page 65, clause 122. "Omit clause and insert new clause as follows:

(4) The county shall, if required so to do in accordance with this section, make and levy a local rate on the unimproved capital value or improved capital value of all rateable land in a particular ward or riding.

(5) The county shall, if required so to do in accordance with this section, make and levy a local rate on the unimproved capital value or improved capital value of all rateable land in a particular ward or riding.

The requisition shall state the purpose for which the local rate is to be levied and the amount in the pound of the proposed rate, and also whether it is proposed that the rate shall be on the unimproved capital value or upon the improved capital value of rateable land.

At the poll all enrolled ratepayers having their qualification in respect of land which will be subject to the proposed local rate may vote.

If the result of the poll is in favour of the levying of the rate, the council shall thereupon make and levy the same in accordance with such result.

Pages 67, clause 124. At end of subclause (7) add "on any one occasion ".

Page 68, clause 124, subclause (11), line 35. "Omit " nineteen " insert " twenty ".

Page 71, clause 125. At end of clause add "Provided that no general rate of more than threepence in the pound upon the unimproved capital value shall be levied upon a mine worked for the purpose of mining for any minerals other than coal and shale ".

Page 71, clause 130, paragraph (a), lines 25 and 26. "Omit the word "fourpence " and insert " twopence ".

Page 72, clause 132, subclause (1), paragraph (a), line 14. "After " and " insert " is ".

Page 72, clause 132, subclause (1), paragraph (b), line 17. "After " and " insert " is ".

Page 72, clause 132, subclause (1), paragraph (c), line 19. "After " and " insert " is ".

Page 73, clause 132, line 1. "After " and " insert " is ".

Page 74, clause 132, subclauses 7, line 4. "Omit " and " insert " or ".

Page 74, clause 133. At end of subclause (7) add the following words:—"as the case may be ".

Page 74, clause 133. "Omit " 1918 " insert " 1919 " wherever occurring.

Page 75, clause 135, paragraph (c), line 37. "Omit " a " and " insert " A ".

Page 77, clause 139, subclause (3). At end of subclause add proviso as follows:

Provided that the rateable person shall be notified to any request of the Treasurer for the grouping or separation of rates on rate notices.

Page 78, clause 141. "Omit clause and insert new clause as follows:

(1) Where any rate is levied upon the unimproved capital value of land which is held for pastoral or agricultural purposes under lease from the Crown under any Act dealing with Crown lands (including homestead selections) or under the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, or the Wentworth Irrigation Act, 1890, the unimproved capital value for the purposes of such rate shall, subject to this Act, be ascertained by calculation as follows:

(a) In the case of leases which carry no right of conversion ultimately into a freehold tenure—twenty times the amount of the rent payable to the Crown during the year next preceding that in which the calculation is made; and

(b) In the case of all other leases, during the first ten years of the lease dating from the grant thereof by the Crown—twenty times the amount of the rent payable to the Crown during the year next preceding that in which the calculation is made; and during the remainder of the lease—thirty times the amount of such rent.

(2) The lessee of any such land may, before the expiration of three months after the commencement of this Act, elect that instead of the rate being levied on the unimproved capital value ascertained as set out in the preceding subsection, it shall be levied on the unimproved capital value of land valued in accordance with the law as if the holder of the lease or homestead selection were the owner of the fee simple.

Provided that upon any election being duly made by a lessee under this section such election shall be binding upon him for a period of five years; at the expiration of which he may again elect and so on continuously at intervals of five years.
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Page 121, clause 231, subclause (2), lines 8, 9, and 10. *Omit all the words after "Minister" to end of subclause and insert "for lands after due inquiry and the prescribed notice to the occupier, if any".*

Page 122, clause 232, lines 7. *Omit "as elsewhere in this Act provided".*

Page 123, clause 233, lines 15 and 32. *Omit "back".*

Page 125, clause 237, paragraph (a), line 41. *After "road" omit to end of paragraph insert "not less than eighty feet".*

Page 128, clause 237, line 4. *Omit "back".*

Page 129, clause 233. *At end of subclause (1) add "and the council if it so desire shall by virtue of this Act be entitled to be registered as the proprietor of the road under the provisions of the Real Property Act, 1900".*

Page 136, clause 233, subclause (3), line 17. *After "road" insert "(other than a road within the boundaries of a State forest)".*

Page 138, clause 237, line 20. *After "of" insert "this or".*

Page 139, clause 237. *At end of clause add new subclause as follows:—*

"(3) This section shall not apply to the Crown."*

Page 128, *Omit clause 238.*

Page 139, clause 239. *Omit subclause (6).*

Page 139 and 140, clause 241. *Omit clause.*

Page 134, clause 247, line 4. *After "thereof" insert "or any other unreasonable use thereof whether of the same or a different kind".*

Page 134, clause 247, line 6. *After "traffic" insert "or use".*

Page 136, clause 249, subclause (6), line 1. *After "this" insert "section".*

Page 136, clause 251, line 18. *After "of" insert "this or".*

Page 135, clause 251, line 20. *At end of paragraph (a) add "provided a prescribed notice be given "*and the approval of the Minister be obtained".*

Page 136, clause 251, paragraph (j), line 15. *Omit "this" insert "any".*

Page 136, clause 251, paragraph (i). *After 1900 insert "or the Motor Traffic Act; 1909".*

Page 139, clause 256. *Omit clause.*

Page 139, clause 257, line 23. *Omit "one year" insert "three years".*

Page 140, clause 273, subclause (5), line 35. *After "and" insert "this".*

Page 143, clause 276. *At end of clause add new subclauses as follows:—*

"(3) Where it becomes necessary in the opinion of the council that a road should be provided across any railway line under the control of the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, and the council fails to secure an agreement under this section, the council may (if it also fail to secure an agreement to refer the matter in dispute to the Minister as elsewhere provided in this Act) apply to a judge of the Supreme Court for an order directing the Commissioners to provide such road."

"(4) Such judge shall hear and determine the matter, having due regard to the public interest and safety and to the requirements of the locality and of the railway service, and may make such order as he may deem fit with respect to the provision and maintenance of the road, the bearing of the expenses thereof by either or both of the parties, and any other matters in connection therewith.

"(5) Where such judge orders that a road be provided, he shall permit the Commissioners to select the site within such limits as he may deem reasonable, and to decide whether the road shall cross the railway by level-crossing, by subway, or by overhead bridge."

"(6) Any road constructed under this section shall be constructed and controlled by the statutory body concerned."

Page 143, clause 278. *Omit clause.*

Pages 149, 150, and 151, clause 280. *Omit clause and insert new clause as follows:—*

"290. The provisions of the Public Roads Act of 1903 in regard to the closing of roads shall extend to and include any road whether such road was originally opened by the Crown or not."

"Provided that any surplus money left after the disposal of the land where a road is closed shall be paid to the occupier, if any."

Page 151, clause 281, paragraph (d), line 16. *Omit "public" insert "statutory".*

Page 151, clause 281, paragraph (e), line 26. *Omit "public or statutory authorities" insert "statutory bodies".*

Page 152, clause 281, paragraph (i), lines 20 and 22. *Omit "materials" insert "matter".*

Page 152, clause 281, paragraph (m). *Omit line 23 and insert "unreasonable use of the road and defining unreasonable use".*

Page 154, clause 285, subclause (2), line 30. *After "of" insert "and the" or "."*

Page 155, clause 285, subclause (2), paragraph (e), line 6. *After "premises" insert "in municipalities, towns, and urban areas".*

Page 155, clause 285, subclause (2), paragraph (j), line 15. *Before the word "prevent" insert "in municipalities, towns, urban areas, and villages".*

Page 155, clause 285, subclause (2), paragraph (j), line 16. *Omit "not erected or".*

Page 155, clause 285, subclause (2), paragraph (m), line 32. *After "premises" add "add in municipalities, towns, and urban areas".*

Page 156, clause 287, subclause (3), line 36. *After "council" insert "or any other council".*

Page 156, clause 287, subclause (4), line 42. *Omit "Board" insert "Minister".*

Page 156, clause 288. *At end of clause add new subclauses as follows:—*

"(4) The council of a shire as the local authority may continue to employ the services of the police inspector under the Cattle Slaughtering and Diseased Animals and Meat Act, 1903, subject to the approval of the Inspector-General of Police."
Page 192. After clause 377 insert new clause to stand as clause 377A as follows:

"V. given force of Notification Amendment Act, 1894, s. 2.

Page 192, clause 378. Insert new subclauses to stand as subclauses (1) and (2) as follow—

(1) Upon completion of such water, sewerage, drainage, or electricity works, the Governor shall notify—

(a) that such works are complete; and

(b) that the council is charged with the care and management of such works (or, if more than one council is affected, that each council is charged with the care and management of that portion of such works allotted by the Governor to such council under the notification, or that the councils are jointly charged with the care and management of portion or the whole of such works).

(2) Such notification shall from the date of the publication thereof in the Government Gazette operate to charge the respective councils named therein with the care and management of such works as are therein stated.

Page 192, clause 379, lines 3 and 4. Omit "upon" insert "as soon as possible after the".

Page 193, clause 379, subclause (5). Omit paragraphs (a) and (b).

Page 193, clause 379, subclause (6), paragraph (c). Omit "of councils jointly" insert "the capital debt or apportionment thereof and interest in the manner therein provided; and such capital debt or apportionment thereof and interest shall be charged upon the income of the fund, or apportioned between and so charged upon the respective funds, which shall be kept by the councils in respect of such works.

Page 193, clause 384. Omit paragraph (b) and insert new paragraph as follows—

(b) all rateable land (as elsewhere defined in this Act) which is situated within two hundred and fifty yards of a water-pipe of the council measured in a direction at right angles to such water-pipe whether such land has a frontage or not to the public road (if any) in which such water-pipe is laid, and although the land is not actually supplied with water from any water-pipe of the council;

Page 199, clause 384. Omit all the words after "mains" in line 21 to end of line 25.

Page 201, clause 385, lines 23 and 24. Omit "declared as aforesaid to be" insert "notified as".

Page 201, clause 385, lines 4 and 5. Omit "declared as aforesaid to be" insert "notified as".

Page 202, clause 385, line 16. Omit "declared to be" insert "notified as".

Page 205, clause 390. At end of subclause (1) add proviso as follows:—

Provided that where there is money owing to the Treasurer by the council in respect of these works, the council shall not make additions to or extensions of the works without obtaining the consent of the Minister for Public Works beforehand.

Page 205, clause 391. Omit clause.

Page 206, clause 394, line 23. Omit "may" insert "shall".

Page 206, clause 394, line 24. After "made" insert "by the Minister for Public Works".

Page 207, clause 394. At end of clause add new subclause as follows:—

(6) Nothing in this Act shall limit the power of the Minister for Public Works to cause inspection to be made of any works in respect of which there is any debt due to the Crown.

Page 208, clause 395, line 3. Omit "at such rates" insert "on such terms".

Page 210, clause 402, subclause (2), line 35. Omit "may" insert "shall".

Page 210, clause 402, subclause (2), line 36. After "made" insert "by the Minister for Public Works".

Page 211, clause 402, subclause (2), line 3. After "done" insert "by the Minister for Public Works".

Page 212, clause 405. At the end of clause add new subclause to stand as subclause (4), as follows:—

(4) The council may also (subject to the provisions of this Act) borrow from any person other than the Treasurer for the purposes of this section.

Page 214, clause 410. Omit subclause (2), insert new subclause (2) as follows:—

"(2) This section shall apply to lands the property of the Crown or of any statutory body."

Page 223, clause 424. At the end of clause add new subclause as follows:

Any agreement made before the commencement of this Act and relating to any trading undertaking within the meaning of this section may after alterations have been made therein if necessary to comply with the requirements of this section be approved by the Governor, and thereupon this section shall apply to that agreement and such agreement (if previously invalid) shall be valid.

Page 224, clause 426, subclause 2, paragraph (1), lines 5 and 6. Omit all the words after "given" in line 5.
Page 225, clause 426. Insert new subclause to stand as subclause (4) as follows:—

(4) Before the approval of the Governor is given under this section, the agreement, or a certified copy thereof, shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament, and if either House passes a resolution (of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sitting days after such agreement or a certified copy thereof has been so laid before Parliament) disallowing the agreement or any part thereof, the agreement or part thereof, as the case may be, shall be disallowed.

Page 226, clause 428, line 38. Omit "section" insert "division".

Page 227, clause 428, line 11. Omit "public authority" insert "statutory body".

Page 227, clause 428. At the end of clause add "but shall apply to any person other than the "Crown or such public authority, and shall apply to rails, pipes, wires, cables, tunnels, "and structures laid, suspended, or placed upon, under, or over any public place before or "after the commencement of this Act, including any such things so placed under the "authority of any statute".

Page 229, clause 431, subclause (4), lines 7, 8, and 9. Omit all the words after "the" secondly occurring in line 7 to end of clause, and insert "council to cause regular inspection to be "made of such pound and of the books thereof, and a report thereon to be laid before the "council".

Page 240, clause 452. At end of clause add "aerodrome”.

Page 251. After clause 484 add new clause 484a as follows:—

"484a. The council may regulate the plucking of wild flowers and native flora within its "area."

Page 254, clause 494, lines 13 and 14. Omit "relating to the proposed curtailment of travelling "stock or camping reserves; or"

Page 254. After clause 494 insert new clause 494a as follows:—

494a. (1) The council may establish, maintain, and regulate public aviation stations for the Aerodromes.

(2) The council may make charges for the use of an aviation station, or for services rendered thereto or in connection therewith.

Page 254, clause 496, lines 35 to 42 inclusive. Omit subclause (2) and insert new subclause as follows:—

(2) Authority to exercise the provisions of this section may be obtained by a council in the following manner:

(a) The council shall lay particulars of its proposals before the Minister.

(b) The Minister shall cause public inquiry to be made into such proposals.

(c) The Minister may approve of the proposals or of some modification thereof.

(d) The proposals so approved shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

(e) If either House of Parliament pass a resolution (of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sitting days after proposals have been so laid before Parliament) disallowing the proposals or any part thereof, the proposals or part (as the case may be) shall be disallowed.

(f) The Governor may by proclamation grant authority to the council to exercise the powers of this section in respect of such proposals to the extent that they are not disallowed in pursuance of this subsection.

Page 255, clause 497. Omit subclause (3) and insert new subclause as follows:—

(3) To provide any sums payable under such agreement the council shall—

(a) in the case of any such railway or tramway in respect of which such agreement has been entered into, if the council considers that it is of direct benefit only to part of the area, levy a local rate on that part; and

(b) in the case of any water mains, sewers, and works connected therewith constructed by either of the said boards in respect of which such agreement has been entered into, levy a local rate on the lands liable by the said board in respect of such water mains, sewers, and works.

Page 255, clause 504. At end of clause add subclause as follows:—

(2) The council may on the application of the owner or occupier of any premises, and at the expense of the applicant, carry out the connection of premises with water, gas, electricity, or sewerage mains.

Page 259, clause 607, subclause (1), paragraph (e), line 36. After "is" insert "or has been".

Page 259, clause 607, subclause (1), paragraph (e), line 39. After "is" insert "or has been".

Page 259, clause 607, subclause (1). At end of paragraph (e) add "or if the enforcement of the "payment of such rates would cause hardship to such person:"

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After paragraph (e) add new paragraphs (f) and (g) as follows:

(f) to write off interest (on rates) which has accrued due during the years 1914 to 1919 inclusive on any land, and has not been paid by reason of the owner thereof being actively engaged as aforesaid;

(g) to expend a portion of its corporate funds in the celebration of the signing of peace.

At end of clause 560. Omit clause and insert new clause as follows:

560a. (1) Subject to this Act the council may expend for purposes not authorized but not expressly prohibited by law a sum not exceeding in any one year one per centum of the general rate levied in that year.

(2) If in any year one per centum of such general rate does not amount to one hundred pounds, the council may in that year expend one hundred pounds under this section.

(3) In all such cases the council shall obtain the approval of the Minister before incurring the expenditure.

Pages 263, clause 513. At end of clause add new subclause as follows:

(4) A council may in like manner enter into an arrangement whereby a duly trained nurse shall become resident in the shire or part thereof or in the neighbourhood thereof; and for that purpose the provisions of this section shall apply mutatis mutandis to the said council.

514a. (1) The council may regulate advertisements and structures used or to be used for the display of advertisements.

(2) For the purposes of this section the word “advertisements” shall include any sign, notice, device, or representation in the nature of an advertisement visible from any public place or public reserve or from any navigable water.

514b. Monuments shall not be erected in public places or public reserves unless and until the design and situation thereof shall have been approved by the Minister.

514c. (1) Where there are any works vested in any person and placed on, under, or over any public road, the council may by notice in writing require such person to alter such works in such manner as the council may in the public interest direct.

(2) This section shall apply to any such works whether placed under the authority of any statute or by any statutory body or with or without the permission of the council, and whether so placed before or after the commencement of this Act.

(3) If the alteration be not made with all reasonable speed the council may make the same as it thinks fit.

(4) Where the council alters any main works under this section it shall forthwith make the necessary alterations of all branch works connected therewith.

(5) An alteration shall not be made in such manner as to injure permanently any such works or prejudicially affect their use.

(6) Except where otherwise agreed or otherwise provided by statute, the cost of the alteration shall be borne by the council.

(7) The expression “works” in this section includes any water-pipe, gas-pipe, sewer, drain, tunnel, wire, cable, rail, or structure.

(8) Where the Minister for Public Works is carrying on any work under the provisions of Part XIV of this Act the provisions of this section shall apply mutatis mutandis to the said Minister as though the said Minister were the council.

Page 265, clause 515, paragraph (1), line 23. After “another” secondly occurring insert “or of “the use of tackle for the pulling of a load greater than can be pulled by the team alone”. After “a” and “the” strike.

Page 265, clause 515. At end of clause add new paragraphs (p) and (q) as follows:

(p) the protection and preservation of native flora on public and private lands;

(q) regulating advertisements and structures used or to be used for the display of advertisements.

Page 266, clause 516, line 6. Omit “either”.

Page 266, clause 516, paragraph (a), line 8. Omit “or”.

Page 266, clause 516. At end of clause add new paragraph as follows:

“(o) the annual town planning conference.”

Page 272, clause 527. Omit subclause (2).

Page 273 and 274, clause 533. Omit clause.

Page 285. After clause 560 insert new clause as follows:

560a. (1) Subject to this Act where a swamp exists on any lands (including Crown lands) the council may, on application by the owner or any one of the owners, and (if objection be lodged as aforesaid) after hearing the applicant and objector and any witnesses, drain the swamp for the purpose of destroying or of preventing the growth of any aquatic pest therein.

(2) This section shall apply only where the expenditure in connection with the draining of the swamp will not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds.

(3) The council shall recover the amount of the expenditure in connection with any work carried out under this section together with interest, if any, by a levy upon the persons ratable in respect of the land, in proportion to the quantity of water removed from the land of each, ascertained by survey of the normal level of water in the swamp before it is drained and after.

(4) Such levy shall be made by instalments over a term of not less than five nor more than twenty years, shall be paid by the person for the time being ratable in respect of the land, and shall be recoverable as rates.

(5) Where under this section a swamp which is drained is partly situated upon Crown land which is not ratable, the amount of the levy shall be paid by the Crown.

Page 285, clause 561, line 16. Omit numeral “(1)”. 

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Page 285, clause 561. After "posts" in line 25 add "and prohibiting the draining into navigable "streams of waters containing aquatic pests where the approval of the council is obtained to drain such waters into waters which are both tidal and salt".

Page 286, clause 562, line 7. Omit "country" insert "county".

Page 286, clause 562, line 11. Omit "country" insert "county".

Page 289, clause 566. Omit subclause (3).


Page 298, clause 570, subclause (2), line 32. After "resolution" insert "of which notice has been given".

Page 303, clause 576, line 28. After "justice" insert "any member of the council or"

Page 305 and 306. Transpose clauses 601 and 602.

Page 322, clause 638, line 22. Omit "this Act" insert "any Act, ordinance, or regulation conferring or imposing powers or duties upon a council".

Page 330, clause 658. At end of clause add new subclauses as follows:

(3) The sewerage rate levied by the council of the Municipality of Lithgow during the year 1919 of twopence halfpenny in the pound on the unimproved capital value of all lands within one hundred and fifty feet from any sewer of the council, with a minimum rate of ten shillings and sixpence per annum in respect of each portion of ratable land or tenement shall be deemed to have been a rate and minimum rate respectively duly levied in accordance with the provisions of the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905.

(3) The sewerage rate levied by the council of the Municipality of Lithgow during the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen of one halfpenny in the pound on the unimproved capital value of the ratable land within the municipality of Lithgow deriving benefit from the expenditure of the rate, and providing for a minimum rate of ten shillings and sixpence per annum in respect of each portion of ratable land or tenement shall be deemed to have been a rate and minimum rate respectively duly levied in accordance with the provisions of the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905.

Page 332, Schedule Three, line 6. After "adopt" insert "(if the Minister's approval is obtained beforehand)".

Page 334, Schedule Three. After "worked" in line 33 add "such value to be determined as such ore, mineral, or product leaves the area within which such mine is situated."

Page 335, Schedule Three. After line 34 add:

(3) Where the Crown is the ratable person, the council shall comply with any request of the Treasurer for the grouping or separation of rates or rate notices.

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 To-morrow.

6. URGENTY—Suspension of Standing Orders—:

(1) Mr. James moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider a motion for the communal pro forma, as provided in Standing Order 256a, of the Maintenance of Children Bill, upon the reading of the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of such Bill.

Question put and passed.

(2) Mr. James moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a motion for the communal pro forma, as provided in Standing Order 256a, of the Maintenance of Children Bill, being moved on the reading of the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of such Bill.

Question put and passed.

7. MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the Whole of this Bill,—Mr. James moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill pro forma.

Question put and passed.

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted To-morrow.

8. CODAR WATER SUPPLY (REDUCTION OF DEBT) 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. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS.—(Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta).—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the proposed Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
10. **Gilmore to Batlow Railway 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 line of railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1913; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

11. **Tarana to Oberon Railway Bill (No. 2):** 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.

12. **Trock to Pullerston Railway 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.

13. **Richmond to Kurrajong Railway 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.

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

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

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

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply."

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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply."

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 write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.
4. Richmond to Kurrajong Railway Bill (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.

5. Paper.—Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper—Letter from the Acting Prime Minister covering the agreement arrived at respecting the Hospital works carried out at the Coast Hospital and Broughton Hall.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. Maintenance of Children 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 reconsideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 24 OCTOBER, 1919, A.M.

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

7. Special Adjournment.—Mr. James (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at five minutes after Eight o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 28 OCTOBER, 1919.

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

PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Amended Regulation No. 304, Additional Regulation No. 302A, and Additional Form No. 121A, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Report of the Stock Branch, Department of Agriculture, for year ended 30th June, 1919, together with Plan. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Report of the Treasury Insurance Board for the year ended 30th June, 1919.

(2.) Statement of Accounts of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for year ended 30th June, 1919.


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. Ball,—

(1.) Gilmore to Batlow Railway 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 a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 18th October, 1919.

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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.'
3. AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICE 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 make better provision for rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; 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 October, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICE BILL.
Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 25th October, 1919.

Page 7, clause 22, line 6. After "resolution" insert "of which notice has been given"

Examined,—

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

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

4. BROUGHTON HALL AND COAST HOSPITAL EXTENSIONS CONSTRUCTION BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—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 sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th October, 1919.

5. POLICY OF THE GobiernoN IN THE SETTLEMENT OF RETURNED SOLDIERS:—Major Shillington moved pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the policy of the Government in the settlement of returned soldiers on the land should be reconsidered, particularly in regard to the question of interest charges.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lang moved, That the Honorable Member for Liverpool Plains Mr. Ashford, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.
Mr. Birt, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. George Cusack, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Kettel, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzaroni, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Mutch, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright, Tuters, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Tom Smith.

Noes, 26
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bugeall, Mr. Royby, Mr. Briner, Mr. Bruntell, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Colophonos, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallok, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Jane, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Rees, Major Shillington, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Waever.

Mr. Fallick, Tuters, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Camerov, Mr. Ley.

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 18th November.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

6. MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN 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 Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.
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28th October, 1919.

7. CONVEYANCING 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 progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

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

W S. MOWLE, DANIEL LEVY,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Amended Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899.
(2.) By-laws under the Meat Industry Act, 1915.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Phillip, Mr. Doyle, 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 Government to appoint female representatives to its Board of Trade."
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Doyle moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House Divided.

Ayes, 20.
Mr. Birt, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Cookman, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Keltie, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Long,
Mr. Laughlin, Mr. McKell, Mr. Motech, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright, Tellers,
Mr. Keartley, Mr. Quirk.

Noes, 28.
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ball, Mr. Ball, Mr. Ball,
Mr. Kevin, Mr. Brannon, Mr. Colman, Mr. Colman,
Mr. Brannan, Colonel Coxsway, Mr. Rowdon, Mr. Rowdon,
Mr. Bullock, Mr. Calqhoen, Mr. Keartley, Mr. Keartley,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Bolman, Mr. Bolman, Mr. Bolman,
Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kin, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James,
Mr. Oakes, Mr. Roes, Tellers,
Mr. Brunton, Mr. Onslow, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Robinson,
Mr. Chattley, Mr. Robson, Colonel Shillington, Mr. Shillington,
Mr. Falliek, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Walker, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Lang, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Mckell, Mr. Mccullough, Mr. Mccullough,
Mr. Latimer, Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Cameron.

And so it passed in the negative.

3. BALLINA TO BOOYONG RAILWAY BILL:—Mr. Bell 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 line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.
4. 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 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.

Question put and passed.

5. 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 extinguish the cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain Oct's rates, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. REGENT'S PARK TO CABRAMATTA RAILWAY 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 line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT VALIDATION 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 validate and authorise temporary borrowing by the Broken Hill Municipal Council in excess of the limit provided by the Local Government Act, 1906; to amend certain proclamations under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916; and for those purposes to amend those Acts,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its occurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,

FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

On motion of Mr. Ball, read a first time.

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

3. MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be "now" read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Johnston moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view of adding the words "this day six months."

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

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashton, Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brustnell, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Cock, Mr. Colphoun, Mr. Dee, Mr. Fallick, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Greff, Mr. Groom, Mr. B. B. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. Manning, Mr. R. W. McDonald, Mr. McGarry, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Lieut-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Perry, Mr. Robson, Major Shillington, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Edward Storey, Mr. Zuill.

Tellers, Mr. Arkins, Colonel Gowan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question again proposed,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate continued.

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

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

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Davis, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Birt, Teller,
Mr. Bagnall, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. George Cann, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Cooks, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Perry, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Robson, Mr. Knight, Mr. Weight,
Captain Chadsey, Major Shillington, Mr. Lang, Teller,
Mr. Coeks, Mr. David Storey, Mr. McGorry, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Cooks, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Don, Mr. Thomas, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Thompson, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Zeili. Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Graff, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Grimn, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. Brunwell, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Holman, Colonel O'Keele, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Zeili, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Hunt, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. James, Mr. James, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Lane, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Lattimer, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Manning, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,

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

Question put, That this Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37:

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lattimer, Mr. Davis, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Manning, Mr. Birt, Teller,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Oakes, Mr. George Cann, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Cooks, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. McGorry, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Captain Chadsey, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Coeks, Mr. Oakes, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Don, Mr. Perry, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Thompson, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Zeili. Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Graff, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Grimn, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. Brunwell, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Holman, Colonel O'Keele, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Zeili, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Hunt, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. James, Mr. James, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Lane, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Lattimer, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Manning, Teller, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Davidson,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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 for payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further 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 provide for payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further 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 provide for payments towards the maintenance of children; to amend the law relating to industrial arbitration; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.
11. **NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL ACT—ARTICLES DECLARED THEREUNDER:**

(1.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant to Section 2 (e) of the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914, this House declares boots and all footwear to be necessary commodities. Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant to Section 2 (e) of the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914, this House declares soap and candles to be necessary commodities. Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant to Section 2 (e) of the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914, this House declares the following articles of clothing to be necessary commodities, viz.:

(1.) Locally manufactured and imported tweeds and surges, whether made up into clothing or not.

(2.) Locally manufactured and imported flannels, whether made up into clothing or not, and blankets.

(3.) Locally manufactured and imported hosiery and knitted goods.

(4.) Locally manufactured and imported felt hats. Question put and passed.

12. **THE UNION TRUSTEE COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA, LIMITED (AMENDMENT) BILL**—Mr. Deputy-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 Union Trustee Company of Australia, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Union Trustee Company of Australia, Limited, and to validate certain actions of the said Company," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 29th October, 1919.

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.

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

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

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

MEMBER SWORN:—Lieut.-Colonel Thomas Henley, 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 Burwood.

Mr. Speaker offered Lieut.-Colonel Henley his most cordial felicitations upon his safe return to the State, and the resumption of his well-merited seat in this historic Chamber. Lieut.-Colonel Henley acknowledged the welcome.

2. Cobar Water Supply (Reduction of Debt) Bill:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council,—

"The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30th October, 1919.

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. James,—

(1.) 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 making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with 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 building; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 30th October, 1919.

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

By Mr. Ball,—

(2.) Ballina to Booyong Railway 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 a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorize the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th September, 1919.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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3. Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON.

Message No. 66.

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 Nativ 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, 18th October, 1919.

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

4. Housing Extension 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 further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow money and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

5. Military Road to Edwards Bay Tramway Bill:

Mr. Oakes 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 authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill:

Mr. Oakes 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 authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

7. Public Service (Amendment) Bill (No. 2):

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.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Hall, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Brunsted, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Fallick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Grim, Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hocking, Mr. Lane, Mr. Leatiner, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard.

Noes, 24.

Mr. F. M. Berke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Coddron, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Davidse, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyle, Captain Dunn, Mr. Estall, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Kemnay, Mr. Bongan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leighlin.

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.

Question,—"That this Bill be now read a second time,"—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 To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.
9. **Ambulance Transport Service Bill**—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 for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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 make better provision for rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 30th October, 1919.

10. **Western Lands (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. D. B. 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 amend the Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

11. **Returned Soldiers and Sailors' Employment Bill**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Holman 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. 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 progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

12. **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 building; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

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

Question put and passed.

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

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

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker.
**New South Wales.**

No. 34.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

HOUSING IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA.—Mr. Lang presented a Petition from certain tenants and electors of Sydney and the metropolitan area, praying for the repeal of the Landlord and Tenant Act, the amendment of the Fair Rents Act, and the passing of a programme of comprehensive and up-to-date housing and house building.

Petition received.

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

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for year ended 30th June, 1919.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations No. 222A and 304, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended By-laws of the Municipality of Lithgow, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905.

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. Oakes, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Military Road to Edwards’ Bay Tramway Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 67.

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 tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards’ Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,

Sydney, 18th October, 1919.

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

(2.) Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 68.

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 authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House,

Sydney, 18th October, 1919.

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

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4. Postponement.—The Order of the Day.—Referendum on Abolition of Legislative Council; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell. "That, in the opinion of this House, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving "the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should "be abolished,"—postponed until Tuesday next.

5. Adjournment.—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Bathurst, Mr. Johnston, 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 appointment of "a Board to supervise distribution of relief." And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

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

Debate ensued.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

6. Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) 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 amend the law relating to Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service 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 Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service Act, 1902, and 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 provide for the registration and to regulate the practice of architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to building; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

7. Architects 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 registration and to regulate the practice of architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to building; 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 and to regulate the practice of architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to building; 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 amend and consolidate the law relating to Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1913, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service 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 To-morrow.

8. Conveyancing 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 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,"—which was read a first time.

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 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,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th November, 1919.
CONVEYANCING BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 4th November, 1919.

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

Page 1, clause 1, line 8. After "the" insert "first."
Page 1, clause 1, line 8. After "of" insert "July."
Page 1, clause 1, line 9. After "and" insert "twenty."
Page 4, clause 6. At end of clause add—

"(3) Wherever any provision of this Act is expressed to apply to land under the provisions of or instruments under the Real Property Act, 1900, such provision shall not be deemed to apply exclusively to such land or instruments unless the contrary appears."

Page 18, clause 35, line 8. After "witnesses" insert "not being a party to the deed."

Page 19, clause 42, line 19. After "writing" insert "and a surrender of any such leases."

Page 29, clause 48, line 35. Omit "conditional" insert "condition or."

Page 49, clause 89. At end of clause add—

"(2) This section applies to land under the provisions of the Real Property Act, 1900."

Page 50, clause 91, line 27. Omit "such."

Page 61, clause 114, line 40. After "the" insert "in case the breach is capable of remedy."

Page 76, clause 127. At end of clause add "Provided that in the case of any such tenancy in respect of which the date of its creation is unknown to the lessor or the lessee, as the case may be, who is seeking to determine the same, such tenancy shall, subject to any express agreement to the contrary, be determinable by six months' notice in writing expiring on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, or any date thereafter."

Page 88, clause 134, line 9. After "six" insert "legal."

Page 94, clause 150, line 13. After "anticipation" insert "or alienation."

Page 99, clause 160, line 17. Omit "shall."

Page 99, clause 163, line 18. After "shall" insert "or at any time after shall."

Page 134, Schedule IV, line 32. Omit "touching this provision" insert "under this proviso."

Page 135, Schedule IV, line 15. After "will" insert "at all times during the continuance of the said lease keep and."

Page 141, Schedule V, line 7. Omit "Dated this day of, 19."

Examined,—

P. B. COLQUHOUN,
Chairman of Committees.

9. RETURNED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS EMPLOYMENT 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, 5 NOVEMBER, 1919, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Bavin, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

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

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

PAPERS:
Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rule under the authority of the Charter of Justice. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to Public Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. 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. Ball, and read by Mr. Speaker:

(1.) Regent's Park to Cabramatta Railway 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 a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
State Government House, Sydney, 18th October, 1919.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Water (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 extinguish the cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rates, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
State Government House, Sydney, 23rd October, 1919.
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 Burramong, 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.:

"The failure of the Government to make adequate provision for widows and distressed children." And
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.

Point of Order.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick submitted that this motion was out of order on the ground that the discussion could take place on Motion No. 8 on the Notice Paper for the introduction of a Bill for the promotion of the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said he could not uphold the Point of Order. The motion now before the House was much wider than the proposal contained in the Notice of Motion referred to, which appeared to refer only to the incorporation and promotion of the objects of a certain Society. He could not tell from the wording of the Notice of Motion whether that Society would provide for widows and children generally. It would be a dangerous thing for him to take cognizance of what might be the scope of a Bill to come before the House later on unless the objects of the Bill as set out in the Notice of Motion clearly covered the subject matter of the motion for adjournments.

Debate continued.

Mr. Hoskins moved, That the question be now put.

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

The House divided.

And Mr. Loughlin having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—"That this House do now adjourn."

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Mutch.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Tom Smith.
Mr. Cochran, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Davidson, Mr. Wright.
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Mallard.
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Carter.
Mr. Egan, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Pink.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Stoyee.
Mr. Grimm, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Kelly, Mr. Perry.
Mr. Ketrie, Mr. Price.
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Lang, Mr. McKell.
Mr. Campbell, Mr. Tom Smith.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Wright.
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Noes, 33.

Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Madden.
Mr. Ball, Mr. W. Millard.
Mr. Bann, Mr. Harry Morton.
Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Cottrell, Mr. Jackson.
Mr. D. E. Hall, Mr. Chaffey.
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Pink.
Mr. Peter, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Major Chaffey.
Mr. Grim, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Haines, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Holman, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. James, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Lang, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. MacKell, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. McKell, Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Lee, Mr. Thompson.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. LAND SURVEYORS 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 bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration of surveyors; to authorize 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.

5. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) 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 bringing in a Bill to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on teamsters', carriers', and travellers' large stock; to provide for the appointment of permit inspectors; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, as amended by the Pastures Protection (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for the purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6.
6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) 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 bringing in a Bill to extend the provisions of the Closer Settlements Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

7. SYDNEY HARBOUR TRUST (RATING) 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 make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for other purposes. Question put and passed.

8. ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES INCORPORATION BILL.—Mr. David Storey 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

9. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. David Storey 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 extend the application of the Meat Industry Act, 1915; to provide for the registration of certain premises and carts; to amend the said Act and certain other Acts; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon. Question put and passed.

10. GILMORE TO BATLOW RAILWAY 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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. BALLINA TO BOOYONG RAILWAY 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorize the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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. **Regent's Park to Cabramatta Railway 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 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 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.

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 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,"—which was read a first time.

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

13. **Water (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 extinguish the cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rates, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

12. **Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) 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 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 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.

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 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,"—which was read a first time.

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

14. **Regent's Park to Cabramatta Railway 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.
16. LAND SURVEYORS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Ashford, and read by Mr. Speaker:

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1503, 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, 4th November, 1919.

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

16. HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Perry moved, That the Honourable Member for Gloucester, Mr. Price, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 27. Noes, 27.

Mr. Bagman, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Milford, Mr. Robert, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Must J. Morton, Mr. Perry, Mr. Pallick, Mr. Robson, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Roseau, Mr. W. Warren, Mr. Zulli.

Tellers: Mr. Harris, Mr. James, Mr. Last, Mr. Lenox, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee.

The numbers being equal, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote with the Noes, and declared the Question to have passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

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

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

18. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 1919, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolve 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 with amendments.

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

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

The House adjourned, at twenty-one minutes after Two o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.
New South Wales.

No. 36.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

PAPER:—Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts, on 31st October, 1919.

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. D. R. Hall,—

(1.) Housing Extension Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 72.

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 for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State-Government House,

Sydney, 30th October, 1919.

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

By Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick—

(2.) Sydney Harbour Trust (Rating) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 73.

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 for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for other purposes.

State Government House,

Sydney, 30th October, 1919.

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 Willoughby, Mr. Weaver, 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 bringing in a Bill to provide for the abolition of Friday night trading in shops."

In the absence of Mr. Weaver the Notice dropped.
4. HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—
Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Ball, passed.
Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Bon sollen, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nyxobillah River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments, and an amended Title.
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Bon sollen, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nyxobillah River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

5. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) 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 Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Furthor Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service 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. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments, and an amended Title.
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the law relating to Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

6. RETURNED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS EMPLOYMENT 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, and an amended Title.
Mr. Oakes moved, “That” the report be now adopted.
Mr. Johnston moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word “That,” and inserting the words “the Bill be recommenced for the reconsideration of clause 15,” instead thereof.
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question, put and negatived.
Question, That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted, put and passed.
On motion of Mr. Oakes, 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 2nd with a further amendment.
On motion of Mr. Oakes, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time tomorrow.
7. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. David Storey, 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 extend the application of the Meat Industry Act, 1915; to provide for the registration of certain premises and carts; to amend the said Act and certain other Acts; 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 extend the application of the Meat Industry Act, 1915; to provide for the registration of certain premises and carts; to amend the said Act and certain other Acts; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

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

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

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Bushell, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Sixth Report from the Printing Committee.

9. ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES INCORPORATION BILL:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in this Bill read,—and, on motion of Mr. David Storey, postponed until tomorrow.

10. INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Oakes moved:

That this Bill be now read a second time.

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, 31

Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Lient.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Oakes,
Colonel Shillington,
Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Zill.

Tellers, Mr. Brunton, Mr. Weaver.

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 Bill be now read a second time,—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 7 NOVEMBER, 1919, a.m.

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

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

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

11. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—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. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again tomorrow.

12. YARNDY VS. GRIFFITH RAILWAY 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.
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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

13. LITHGOW WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE 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. Johnston, 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.

14. CLARENCE RIVER (NORTHERN BREAKWATER) 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

15. GILMORE TO BATLOW RAILWAY 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

16. BALLINA TO BOOYONG RAILWAY 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

17. SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY (AVON RIVER DAM) 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

18. WATER (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. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

19. REGENT'S PARK TO CARRAMATTA RAILWAY 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

20. WAGGA WAGGA FLOOD RELIEF FUND 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.
21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT VALIDATION 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 Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

22. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Ball (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next. Question put and passed.

23. 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,—Mr. Buckley, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hodkin, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lung, Mr. Lazzarini, Lieut.-Colonel Nicholson, Mr. Price, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, and Mr. Weaver,—

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at six minutes before Two o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(I.) Copy of Minute of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council authorising the transfer of £100,000 from the Public Works Account to the Closer Settlement Account.
(2.) Statement showing the sums which are to be advanced by the Commonwealth Government to the State in connection with the Settlement of Returned Soldiers on the land.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper—Regulations under the Venereal Diseases Act, 1918.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rule made by the Barristers' Admission Board, under the Legal Practitioners Act, 1898.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of Royal Commission (Mr. J. L. Campbell) to inquire into the Coal-mining Industry and the Coal Trade in the State of New South Wales, covering Questions 1 to 10, inclusive, of the Commission.
Ordered to be printed.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—
(I.) Cobar Water Supply (Reduction of Debt) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor, A Bill, intituled "An Act to write off a part of the debt of the Council of the Municipality of Cobar, in respect of works of water supply,"—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, 10th November, 1919.

(2.) Ambulance Transport Service Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor, A Bill, intituled "An Act to make better provision for rendering first aid to, and for the transport of sick and injured persons, and for that purpose to establish a board with certain powers and duties; 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, 10th November, 1919.
3. **UNIVERSITY (BUILDING) 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 appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

*State Government House, Sydney, 11th November, 1919.*

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

4. **TARANA TO OBERON RAILWAY BILL:**—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intitled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th November, 1919.*

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT VALIDATION BILL (Formal Order of the Day),**—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 validate and authorise temporary borrowing by the Broken Hill Municipal Council in excess of the limit provided by the Local Government Act, 1906; to amend certain proclamations under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916; and for those purposes to amend those Acts."

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, intitled "An Act to validate and authorise temporary borrowing by the Broken Hill Municipal Council in excess of the limit provided by the Local Government Act, 1906; to amend certain proclamations under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916; and for those purposes to amend those Acts."—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 11th November, 1919.*

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Willoughby, Mr. Weaver, 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 drastic action be taken by the Government to handle and control the increasing cost of living, more particularly with regard to profiteering."

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order. The subject-matter of this motion of adjournment was a proposal that something should be done, and it did not comply with the well-known rule that the matter must be a single specific matter of recent occurrence.

7. **SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF LAWS PASSED IN 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.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Johnston moved, That the Question be now put. Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 20,  
Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckle, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Captain Dunn, Mr. Evers, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Keransley, Mr. Nee, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Gregory McGieri, Mr. McKell, Mr. Morisset, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Wright,  
Tellers, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Birkhoven, Mr. Herd, Mr. Milward, Mr. Cann, Mr. Bull, Mr. Parris, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bonnet, Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Doe, Mr. Field, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Gregory McGier, Mr. McKell, Mr. Morisset, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Wright,  
Noes, 34,  
Mr. Arkle, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Manning, Mr. Ashford, Mr. W. Milward, Mr. Bier, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Dall, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Bonnet, Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Doe, Mr. Price, Mr. D. F. Hall, Mr. Major Shillington, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas, Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Walker, Mr. D. F. Hall, Mr. Waters, Mr. Hocking, Mr. Quirk, Mr. James, Mr. Luus, Mr. Lang, Mr. Urquhart, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Griffin.
Debate continued.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Birt, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. George Cane, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Captain Dunn, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Keenley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzaroni, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Quick, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Wright.

Tellers, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Quick.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Arkina, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bignall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Raven, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bruntsell, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Cate, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallolds, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Horkins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Walker.

Tellers, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Oaks, Colonel Osbalow, Mr. Perry, Mr. Price, Major Shillington, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver, Tellers, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Birt, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lee, Mr. Davidson, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Oaks, Colonel Osbalow, Mr. Perry, Mr. Price, Major Shillington, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver, Tellers, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Thomas.

And so it passed in the negative.

CASE OF MR. JAMES FLEMING.—Mr. Kennedy moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(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. 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.

Debate ensued.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Birt, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzaroni, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Quick, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Wright.

Tellers, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Quick.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Arkina, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bignall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Raven, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bruntsell, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Cate, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallolds, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Horkins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer.

And so it passed in the negative.

And it being after halfpast Six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

9. SECRET COMMISSIONS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. David Storey, 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 for the prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prevention of fraud; and for other purposes.

State Government House,
Sydney, 11th November, 1919.

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

10. CLARENCE RIVER (NORTHERN BREAKWATER) 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. Ball, the report was adopted.

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

11. GILMORE TO BATLOW RAILWAY 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. Ball, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time tomorrow.
12. Ballina to Bodong Railway 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. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

13. Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) 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. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

14. Water (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. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

15. Regent’s Park to Caramattra Railway 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. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

16. Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund 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. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

17. Yanco to Griffith Railway Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of
Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to sanction the construction of a line
of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes
consequent thereon and 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 sanction the
construction of a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912;
and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,”—presents the same to the Legislative
Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11th November, 1919.

18. Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on
motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to sanction the carrying out of works to
extend the schemes of water supply and sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the
Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the
carrying out of works to extend the schemes of water supply and sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11th November, 1919.

19. Crown Lands (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. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported
the Bill with amendments.
On motion of Mr. Ashford, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

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20. University (Building) Bill.—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read.—Mr. James moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER, 1919, A.M.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. C. B. W. McDonald,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Mark P. Morton,
Mr. Bavin, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Brownell, Colonel Oakes,
Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Fallick, Tellers,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Walker,
Mr. O. R. Hall, Mr. Buttenshaw,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Doe,
Mr. James, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Macmillan, Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair accordingly.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had come to a resolution, and moved, That the report be now received.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Mack P. Morton,
Mr. Bagnall, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Bennett, Colonel Oakes,
Mr. Brownell, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Fallick, Tellers,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Walker,
Mr. O. R. Hall, Mr. Buttenshaw,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Doe,
Mr. James, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Macmillan, Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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 appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; 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 appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University 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 Thursday next.

21. Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read.—Mr. Ashford moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 30. 
Mr. Arkins, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. MacF. Morton, Mr. Ball, Lieut. Colonel Nicholson, Mr. Barton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Beckett, Colonel Ouelov, Mr. Batson, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Cheyne, Mr. Walker, Mr. Cosgrove, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Killock, Tellers, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grim, Mr. D. E. Hall, Mr. Grim, Mr. James, Mr. Long, Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning, Mr. Hailey, Mr. O. E. W. McDonald, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Lieut. Colonel Nicholson, Mr. Oakes, Colonel Ouelov, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Ouelov, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Walker.

Noes, 17. 
Mr. Birt, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Captain Dun, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Langlois, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mitch, Mr. Quick, Mr. Wright, Tellers, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Kearsey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair accordingly.

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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; 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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

The House adjourned, at eight minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., this Day.

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

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

PAPERS:-

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.

(3.) Amended Regulation No. 305, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Additional By-laws of the Municipality of Lithgow, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1889-1905.

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.) The Rock to Pullatop Railway Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pullatop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Broughton Hall and Coast Hospital Extensions Construction Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

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. ADJOURNMENT:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Parramatta, Mr. Bruntnell, a Notice, under the 45th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—"That it is a matter of urgency that the Public Health Act should be amended to provide greater protection to the public in the matter of infection from contagious diseases."

Mr. Speaker referring to his ruling given on 11th November, 1919; said the motion contained an expression of opinion that the matter referred to therein was one of urgency. It could not be contended that it was a specific matter of recent occurrence, and he ruled it out of order.

And
And Mr. Lang desiring to move that a second motion for the adjournment of the House be now entertained,—

Point of Order:—Mr. Johnston submitted that a motion having been drawn from the box which had been ruled out of order, and which was obviously a nullity, it became automatically the duty of Mr. Speaker to draw another Notice from the box without a motion being made.

He referred to a ruling of Mr. Speaker McCourt on 16th December, 1902, when upon dissent from his ruling being submitted he had changed his mind, and had taken the view that the first motion was a nullity, insomuch as a motion had not been made, and it was competent for him to draw another Notice from the box. That practice he proposed to adopt.

(2.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Cobar, Mr. Davidson, 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 dismissal of the application by Judge Curlewis of the miners' section of the A.W.U. to have an agreement registered in the Arbitration Court."

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. James, referring to May's "Parliamentary Practice," 12th edition, page 248, submitted that this subject could not be raised upon a motion for adjournment.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker stated that he was not prepared to say that he would allow a motion to be moved if it involved discussion of the conduct of a Judge, but he took the view that the motion itself did not necessarily involve the conduct of the Judge. The motion referred to the decision of the Judge, and that being the case, he did not feel disposed to rule it out of order. He would not permit comment upon the conduct of the Judge.

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, 34:

Mr. Arbuckle, Mr. Hanley, Mr. Howard, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lapstone, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Milligand, Mr. Northcote, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Price, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Grimmett, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Lane, Mr. Lamb, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Morgan, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Price, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Grammen, Mr. Wearne.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Burke, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Wright.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Baker, Mr. Bullock, Mr. Coghlan, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Russell, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Bell, Mr. Balls, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. Perry, Mr. Crase, Mr. Zahler, Mr. Falleck, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas, Sir George Fullerton, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Grammen, Mr. Wearne.

Mr. Arbuckle, Mr. Hanley, Mr. Howard, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lapstone, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Milligand, Mr. Northcote, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Price, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver.

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

And Mr. Davidson having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—"That this House do now adjourn."

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Arbuckle, Mr. Hanley, Mr. Howard, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lapstone, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Milligand, Mr. Northcote, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Price, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Arbuckle, Mr. Hanley, Mr. Howard, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lapstone, Mr. Lang, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Milligand, Mr. Northcote, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Price, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Weaver.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. David Storey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Point of Order:—Mr. Price submitted that the Bill exceeded the Order of Leave, and was therefore out of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill in order.

Debate ensued.
And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Debate continued.

The House divided.

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Mr. Birt, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Davidove, Mr. William Davies, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Wright.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

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

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

6. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Deputy-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 Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, 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 the Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

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

(2.) Mr. Ashford then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—which was read first time.

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

7. TOTALLYATOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Sir George Fuller moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve 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.

Question put.

The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair accordingly.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

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

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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 the Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Sir George Fuller, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Sir George 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:

HOUSING EXTENSION BILL.—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 further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, 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 further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

The House adjourned, at twenty-four minutes after One o’clock, a.m., until Four o’clock, p.m., This Day.

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

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

PAPER—Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulation under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-1918.

Postponement:—The Order of the Day, "Referendum on Abolition of the Legislative Council; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell, 'That, in the opinion of this House, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should be abolished";—postponed until Tuesday, 2nd December.

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. Oakes,—

(1.) Destitute Persons Relief 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 relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 13th November, 1919.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Mr. Oakes,—

(2.) Necessary Commodities Control 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 control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 13th November, 1919.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
MONOPOLIES 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 repress trusts and monopolies in trade or commerce; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

SYDNEY, 13th NOVEMBER, 1919.

Governor House, Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

CONVEYANCING BILL:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
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," 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.

SYDNEY, 13th NOVEMBER, 1919.

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 differential rates of pay existing between employees in the State trawlers and seamen engaged on similar work in the employ of private shipping companies on the Australian coast." 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.
Debate ensued.

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

Question put,—"That the Question be now put." The House divided.
Ayes, 85., Noes, 22.

RETURNED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS EMPLOYMENT 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 provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers and sailors in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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

PRESIDENT,—The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers and sailors in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

SYDNEY, 13th NOVEMBER, 1919.
6. UNIVERSITY (BUILDING) 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 tomorrow.

7. CROWN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford 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. Ashford, passed.

Mr. Ashford then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend and declare the law relating to Crown lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; 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 and declare the law relating to Crown lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; and for other purposes."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th November, 1919.

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Bennett, as Chairman, brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee.

9. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) 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. Johnston, 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.

10. RETURNED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 14 NOVEMBER, 1919, A.M.

Debate continued.

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. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again tomorrow.

11. TOTALIZATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Sir George 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 Sir George Fuller, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Sir George Fuller, the report was adopted.

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

12. MILITARY ROAD TO EDWARDS BAY TRAMWAY BILL.—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Deputy-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 a tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.

13. Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Deputy-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 authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

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

(2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

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

14. Sydney Harbour Trust (Rating) Bill:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for other purposes.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900; and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; 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, intituled "A Bill to make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for other purposes,"—which was read a first time.

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

15. 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.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at nineteen minutes after Two o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
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New South Wales.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

PAPER.—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement respecting wages paid on State Trawlers, and to seamen engaged on similar work employed by private shipping companies. Ordered to be printed.

2. POSTPONEMENT—The Order of the Day,—“The Ashtonfield Coal Mines Railway Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. G. R. W. McDonald];”—-postponed until Tuesday, 25th November.

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

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

Mr. SPEAKER,—

A Bill, intitled “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,”— 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,

FRED. FLOWERS,

Sydney, 18th November, 1919.

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.) Wentworth Estate Partition Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intitled “An Act to make effectual an Indenture of Partition, dated the twenty-second day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, prepared for the purpose of carrying into effect a decree of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction, dated the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, whereby the said court confirmed a partition of certain lands devised by the will of the late Darcy Wentworth, situated in the districts of Illawarra, Appin, and Bankstown, in the State of New South Wales,”—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,

FRED. FLOWERS,

Sydney, 18th November, 1919.

President.

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

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

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Yass, Mr. Gregory McGirr, 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 deal effectively with the conditions arising from this most calamitous drought.”

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. G. C. L. Fitzpatrick pointed out that a specific question as contemplated by the Standing Orders had not been submitted, and therefore the motion was out of order. Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said it had been determined that five Honorable Members rising in their places in support of the motion decided the urgency. Many years ago a previous Speaker had ruled that it was within his province to decide whether a matter was of urgent public importance, but the House disallowed his ruling, and that decision of the House must bind future Speakers until altered by the amendment of the Standing Orders. The question of definiteness, however, rested with the Speaker to decide. He was of opinion that the subject-matter of the motion was not such as would bring it within Standing Order No. 49, nor was it a single specific matter of recent occurrence as laid down in "May," 12th Edition, page 227. Hence, therefore, ruled the motion out of order.

5. POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SETTLEMENT OF RETURNED SOLDIERS:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Major Shillington, "That, in the opinion of this House, the policy of the Government in the settlement of returned soldiers on the land should be reconsidered, particularly in regard to the question of interest charges." And the Question being again proposed,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. Mr. Bavin moved, That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put. The House divided.


Dr. Arthur, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Birt, Mr. Keegan.
Mr. Ashford, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lang.
Mr. Brennan, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Halstead, Mr. McCarry.
Mr. Bull, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. McCall.
Mr. Bavin, Colonel O'Shaw, Mr. Butcher, Mr. McKell.
Mr. Crawford, Mr. Perry, Mr. George Conn, Mr. Millar.
Mr. Doe, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Captain Coadley, Mr. Price.
Mr. Fullick, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Godwin, Major Shillington.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Tom Smith.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Wearne.
Mr. Grimmett, Mr. Birt, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Grimmett, Mr. Bulow, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Grimmett, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Butler, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
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And so it passed in the negative.
Debate continued.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 2nd December.

6. WAGGA WAGGA FLOOD RELIEF FUND BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed. Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide for the disposal of the balance remaining at the credit of the Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund." 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 provide for the disposal of the balance remaining at the credit of the Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 18th November, 1919.

7. UNIVERSITY (BUILDING) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

Mr. President,—The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," returns the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
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8. TOTALIZATOR (AMENDMENT) 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 Totalizator 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 amend the Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1919.

9. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford 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. Ashford, passed.
Mr. Ashford then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1919.

10. RETURNED SOLDIERS 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.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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

11. 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 authorize 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 authorize 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 for the registration of surveyors; to authorize 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,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

12. HOUSING (EXTENSION) BILL:—Mr. D. R. Hall, pursuant to leave granted on 13th November, 1919, a.m., presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow money and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; 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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13. Necessary Commodities Control 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 for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

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

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

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

**INTERSTATE DESTITUTE PERSONS RELIEF BILL (Formal Motion)**:—Mr. Oakes 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 relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

2. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT (Amendment) 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 its Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

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

3. **SUPERANNUATION (Amendment) BILL**:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, and read by Mr. Speaker:

**Message No. 82**

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 respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; 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.

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

(1) **Richmond to Kurrajong Railway Bill**:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.
(2.) Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the carrying out of a works to extend the scheme of water supply and sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(3.) Yanco to Griffith Railway Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

5. Commercial Trusts 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 repress trusts and monopolies in trade or commerce; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. Judges Retirement (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 declare and amend the law relating to certain judges' pensions; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; 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 declare and amend the law relating to certain judges' pensions; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereto 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 declare and amend the law relating to certain judges' pensions; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto"—which was read a first time.

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

7. Housing (Extension) 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. Cochran moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

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

8. Public Service (Amendment) Bill (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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

9. Necessary Commodities Control 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 control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

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

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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 provide for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto," which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

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

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

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

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

(1.) Tarana to Oberon Railway Bill (No. 2)—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Tarana to Oberon; to provide for the use of the said line during construction by the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, or by persons authorised by them; to amend 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.


(2.) The Rock to Pulletop Railway Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from The Rock to Pulletop; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequential 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.


(3.) Broughton Hall and Coast Hospital Extensions Construction Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of extensions to Broughton Hall and the Coast Hospital; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequential 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.

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2. PAPERS:—
Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Amended Bye-laws of the University of Sydney.
(2.) Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1918.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Minute of Public Service Board in connection with the appointment, on probation, of Mr. G. R. Turner, as Mining Surveyor, Department of Mines.
(2.) Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and Loss Account of the State Clothing Factory for year ended 30th June, 1919.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of the Urapong Estate, on the Henty to Billabong Creek Railway.
(2.) Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of the Dyraaba Estate, on the Casino to Kyogle Railway.
Ordered to be printed.

3. DOMINO (AUXINES) 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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o’clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans’ licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—
(1.) Western Lands (Amendment) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,” returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
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President.

(2.) University (Building) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,” returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
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President.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Ulladulla, Mr. G. Gregory McGirr, 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:—
“arise from the Government’s failure to retain sufficient seed wheat for the forthcoming sowing, together with the Government’s failure to retain sufficient wheat for flour for consumption by the citizens “to carry the State on until the next harvest, together with their failure to supply necessitous farmers and other stock-owners throughout the State with sustenance and fodder.”
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,
Mr. McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Point of Order:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick submitted that this motion was not confined to a single specific matter as prescribed by the Standing Orders, and was therefore out of order. Debate ensued.
Mr. Speaker said that the subject-matter of the motion was not a single specific matter of recent occurrence, and he ruled it out of order.

6. CLARENCE RIVER (NORTHERN BREAKWATER) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Bell, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Bell then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”
Question put and passed.

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

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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7. GILMORE TO BATLOW RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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8. BALLINA TO BOOYONG RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Ball, passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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9. SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY (AVON RIVER Dam) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act 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."

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 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,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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10. WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Ball, passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act 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 provide for the regulation of water in certain creeks; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundis Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the Jermyn Swamp Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rules, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

Ordered,
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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 extinguish the cost of works of certain drainage trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of certain drainage trusts; to provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rates, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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11. REGENT'S PARK TO CABRAMATTA RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; 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 sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorize the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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12. NARRANDERA WATER SUPPLY 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 carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1890-1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be 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.

13. JUDGES RETIREMENT (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 with amendments.

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

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

14. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put and passed.

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

15. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearney, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee.

16. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—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. Johnston, 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.

17. BILLS OF SALE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. David Storey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Storey, 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. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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

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18. **Interstate Destitute Persons Relief Bill:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, 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 for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

(2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; 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.

19. **Sydney Harbour Trust (Rating) 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. Johnston, 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.

20. **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.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-six minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

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

PAPERS—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Lease issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts on 14th November, 1919. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Rule made under the authority of the Common Law Procedure Act, 1399, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, and the Supreme Court Procedure Act, 1900.

(2.) Return showing the operations of the Fair Rents Court from the date of its inception, 13th March, 1916, to 20th November, 1919. 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.) Crown Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to amend and declare the law relating to Crown Lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; 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, 21st November, 1919.

R. B. O'Conor, Deputy-President.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 21st November, 1919.

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

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 To-morrow.
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers and sailors in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—with the amendments is dictated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 21st November, 1919.

B. B. O'CONOR,
Deputy-President.

RETURNED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS’ EMPLOYMENT BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 21st November, 1919.

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

Page 2, clause 2, line 23. Omit "and"
Page 2, clause 2, line 24. After "shire" add "and any board, committee, or trustees of any public "hospital"
Page 3, clause 2, lines 2 and 3. Omit "a resident of New South Wales" and insert "either "resident or domiciled in Australia"
Page 3, clause 2, line 9. After "the" insert "Army"
Page 3, clause 2, line 11. After "allies" insert "and includes all army nurses who have been on "such service"
Page 3, clause 2, line 20. Omit "has returned to and"
Page 4, clause 3, line 3. After "Act" insert "or applies in writing for such employment"
Page 4, clause 4, line 30. After "children" insert "and if he cannot employ such returned soldier "or sailor in place of such person without discharging such person"
Page 5, clause 5. At commencement of clause add new subclause (1) as follows:—
"6. (1) The applicant may, in accordance with rules made under this section, appeal to a "judge of the Industrial Court in the cases mentioned in subsections two and three. Such judge, "after hearing the appeal, may make such order as he thinks just and reasonable"
Page 5, clause 5, line 5. Before "If" insert "The appeal may be made"
Page 5, clause 5, line 6. Omit "employment" insert "re-employment"
Page 5, clause 5, line 16. Before "If" insert "The appeal may be made"
Page 5, clause 5. Omit all the words after "him" in line 20 to end of subclause (2).
Page 5. After clause 6 add new clause as follows:—
"Powers and Duties of Board.
"6x. (1) The Board shall assist returned soldiers and sailors to obtain employment or re- "employment.
"(2) For such purposes the Board shall obtain all available information as to the condition "of the labour market so far as returned soldiers and sailors may be affected thereby, and may "require the Department of Labour and Industry, or any other Government Department, local "authority or other local body, or any employer of labour to furnish to the Board any statistics :Ind "data in their possession or under their control relating to the matter.
"(3) The Board may prosecute in respect of offences under this Act or any regulations made "thereunder.
"(4) The Board shall furnish to the Public Service Board a report annually of the work done by "the Board in the previous year.
Page 6, clause 7, line 1. After "board" insert "on the recommendation of the Public Service "Board.
Page 6, clause 7, line 4. Omit "prescribed" and insert "fixed by the Public Service Board, and "shall be subject to the provisions of the Public Service Acts."
Page 8. After clause 16 insert new clause as follows:—
"17. Any person who in any manner whatsoever intimidates or coerces or attempts to "intimidate or coerce any employer with the intent to deter such employer from giving employment "or re-employment to a returned soldier or sailor or to cause such employer to contravene any of "the provisions of this Act or any regulations or order made thereunder shall be guilty of a "misdemeanour and shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds or "to a term of imprisonment with or without hard labour not exceeding six months.
Page 8, clause 17. After "Act" in line 29 insert "and may provide therein for the imposition of a "penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for any breach thereof."
Page 9, clause 17, 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 To-morrow.
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25th November, 1919.

(3.) Baptist Union Incorporation Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Baptist Union of New South Wales; to empower such corporation to purchase, acquire, and hold lands, and also to sell, mortgage, and lease land, and to vest all lands and other property, real or personal, now belonging to the said Union or vested in trustees for the same, in such corporation, and to empower the said corporation to act as trustees of property now or hereafter held in trust for certain Baptist congregations, and for power to alter or vary certain trusts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

B. B. O'Conor,
Deputy-President.

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

(4.) Citizens' War Chest Enabling Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Executive Committee of the Citizens' War Chest to make payments out of the Citizens' War Chest Fund to and for charitable purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

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

(5.) Secret Commissions Prohibition Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act for the prohibition of secret commissions and for the prevention of fraud; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

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

3. Judges Retirement (Amendment) Bill (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Sir George Fuller, read a third time, and passed.

Sir George Fuller then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to declare and amend the law relating to certain judges' pensions; to amend 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."

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 and amend the law relating to certain judges' pensions; to amend 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,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

4. Sydney Harbour Trust (Rating) 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 make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1903; 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 make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1903; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.
5. **Messages from the Governor:**—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1) **Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Bill:**—  
W. E. DAVIDSON,  
**Message No. 86.**  
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 provisions with respect to the management of the Government Savings Bank and for extending and regulating its operations; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Act, 1913, the Savings Banks Amalgamation Act, 1914, the Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Act, 1914, the Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,  
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

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

(2) **Liquor (Amendment) Bill:**—  
W. E. DAVIDSON,  
**Message No. 87.**  
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at 6 o'clock; to suspend local option, to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1915, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,  
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

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

6. **Revision of the Constitution of the Commonwealth:**—Mr. Bavin moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House is of opinion,—

(1.) That the time has arrived for a general revision of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, in the light of the experience gained since its establishment, and in view of the greatly increased responsibilities of the Commonwealth Government for external affairs.

(2.) That the primary and general aims of this revision should be: (a) to diminish the present cost of the governmental systems of Australia; (b) to prevent the duplication of governmental agencies and functions; (c) to secure a greater measure of decentralisation in administration; (d) to render more effective and complete those powers of government which properly belong to the central Government; (e) to relieve the central Government, so far as is possible, of those functions which can be performed with equal efficiency by the Governments of the States, thus leaving it free for the exercise of the functions which necessarily belong to it.

(3.) That the mode of constitutional amendment prescribed by Section 128 of the Commonwealth Constitution is not adequate or suitable for such general revision as is necessary; and that it is, therefore, expedient that the work of revision should be committed to a Convention consisting of representatives of all the States of the Commonwealth, who should be empowered to co-opt additional members.

(4.) That for the purpose of facilitating the work of the Convention a Royal Commission, including representatives of each State, should be appointed by the Government of the Commonwealth, to report upon the working of the existing governmental system of Australia, with special reference to the aims set out in paragraph 2 above, and to make suggestions for its amendment.

(5.) That these resolutions be submitted to the Governments of the Commonwealth and of the States, with a request to their concurrence, and for their co-operation in the measures which may be found necessary to carry them into effect.

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

And it being after half-past six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, lst October, 1919.

7. **Public Service (Amendment) 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 amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Civil Service Act, 1884; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; 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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

8. Bills of Sale (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lang.
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Latham.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Brunskill, Mr. Manning.
Mr. Butterworth, Mr. W. Millard.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Henry Morgan.
Mr. Coecke, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson.
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Dailies.
Mr. Perry, Mr. Page.
Mr. Ralph, Mr. Robin.
Mr. J. C. L. Fisipatricik, Mr. Thompson.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Grim.
Mr. Grim, Mr. Walker.
Mr. C. Hall, Mr. Wørnsen.
Lieut.-Col. Henley, Mr. Xall.
Mr. Holman, Tellers.
Mr. Hocking, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Major Shillington.
Mr. Hunt, Captain Chaffey.
Mr. James, Mr. Weaver.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Bailey.
Mr. Brier.
Mr. George Coni., Captain Carmichael.
Mr. William Davin, Mr. Doyle.
Mr. Gardner.
Mr. John Storey.
Mr. Wright.
Mr. Bos.
Mr. F. M. Burke.
Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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 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."

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 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."—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1919.

9. Closer 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 that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee.

Mr. Speaker counted the House; and there being a Quorum present, the Committee resumed.

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 To-morrow.

10. Returned Soldiers 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 Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill, with amendments.

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

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

11. Government Savings Bank (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 make further provisions with respect to the management of the Government Savings Bank and for extending and regulating its operations; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906; the Government Savings Bank Amendment Act, 1913; the Savings Banks Amalgamation Act, 1914; the Government Savings Bank Amendment Act, 1914; the Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.
12. **Narrandera Water Supply Bill**—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Ball, 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 sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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*Sydney, 13th November, 1919.*

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

(2.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in this Bill read, and, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, postponed until To-morrow.

13. **Housing (Extension) 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.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

**Wednesday, 26 November, 1919, A.M.**

Debate continued.

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

Question,—"That the Question be now put,"—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. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

14. **Superannuation (Amendment) 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 amend the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

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

**W. S. Mowle,**

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

**Daniel Levy,**

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

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. Joseph Levy.

Mr. Dooley addressed the House, and added his sympathy.

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

2. Early Closing (Amendment) Bill:—Mr. James (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 regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' and chemists' and druggists' shops and public and private dispensaries; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to early closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

3. Papers:—

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Balance-sheets, Trading Accounts, &c., of the State Industrial Undertakings for the year ended, 30th June, 1919; together with the Report of the Auditor-General thereon. Ordered to be printed.

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

(1.) Report of the Department of Agriculture for year ended 30th June, 1919.
(2.) Notice of intention to declare that Additional Conditional Purchase No. 1910-29, Land District of Coonabarabran, Portions Nos. 8, 11, 22, and 23, Parish of Urraween, County of Gowen, applied for on 7th July, 1910, shall cease to be voidable.
(3.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to Public Purposes under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(4.) Gazette Notices setting 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. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

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

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the President of the State Children Relief Board for year ended 5th April, 1919. Ordered to be printed.
4. 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 1919-20, proposed to be provided for by Loan.

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

5. Farmers' Drought Relief Bill.—Mr. Ashford (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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

6. 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 Forest of certain lands, as per attached Schedule.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th November, 1919.

Ordered to be printed, together with attached Schedule.

7. Totalizator (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 Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent theron 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, 26th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Totalizator (Amendment) Bill.
Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 26th November, 1919.

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

Page 3, clause 2, line 16. After "claimed" add "or on proof to the satisfaction of the Treasurer in manner to be prescribed of the ownership and loss of such ticket."

Examined,—

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

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

8. Returned Soldiers 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 make further provision with regard to the settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisement of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revocation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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 theron 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 settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisement of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the revocation of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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 theron or incidental thereto."

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.
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(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,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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9. 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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto."—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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10. SHARE-FARMING 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 Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill, with amendments.

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

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

11. RETURNED SAILORS AND SOLDIERS IMPERIAL LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA (NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH) INCORPORATION 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of a Society called the Returned Sailors and Soldiers Imperial League of Australia (New South Wales Branch); and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

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Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a first time.

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

12. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL 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.

Mr. Hoskins 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. Brereton, Mr. Brunet, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Cran, Mr. Follin, Mr. Graft, Mr. Griffin, Mr. D. R. Hall, Lieut.-Col. Hooley, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Manning, Mr. G. H. W. McDonald, Mr. Harry Morton, Lest. Col. Nicholson, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Rolfe, Major Shillington, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Zuil.

Tellers:

Mr. Roberts, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Conn, Captain Carnichael, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doahy, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Kemble, Mr. Long, Mr. Mckell, Mr. W. Milld, Mr. Mac, Mr. Weight.

Mr. George Calm, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. D. R. Hall, Lieut.-Col. Hooley, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee.

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

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Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. Brown,
Mr. Roundell,
Mr. Butterworth,
Mr. Cameron,
Captain Chafeey,
Mr. Crane,
Mr. Fidich,
Mr. Greff,
Mr. D. K. Hall,
Lieut.-Col. Henley,
Mr. Holman,
Mr. Horey,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Major Shillington,
Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Zwill.
Mr. Arkies,
Mr. Gurney.

Noes, 16.
Mr. Boley,
Mr. George Cann,
Captain Carmichael,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston.
Mr. Kerbelly,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Match,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. Birt,
Mr. McKell.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

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

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

13. HOUSE (EXTENSION) 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 Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again tomorrow.

14. SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) 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 amend the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; 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 amend the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the 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 read a second time tomorrow.

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

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

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

PAPERS:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(2.) Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1919; together with Photographs. Ordered to be printed.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Fisheries Department for 1918. Ordered to be printed.

2. EARLY CLOSING (AMENDMENT) 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 regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' and chemists' and druggists' shops, and public and private dispensaries; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to Early Closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.


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

3. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick (by consent) moved, without Notice, that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the raising of a loan for Public Works and Services; and for other purposes,"—being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day, and would also preclude the resolutions of the Committees of Supply and of Ways and Means respectively, wherein the Bill is proposed to be founded, being received on the same day on which they were come to by the said Committees respectively.

Question put and passed.

4. LIQUOR (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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1915, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr.
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 not 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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, 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.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, 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 read a second time tomorrow.

5. ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES' INCORPORATION BILL:

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. David Story, 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

(2.) Mr. Storey then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

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

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

(1.) Clarence River (Northern Breakwater) Bill:

Mr Speaker,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(2.) Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) Bill:

Mr Speaker,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a concrete and masonry dam, and the necessary works in connection therefore, 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;"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(3.) Gilmore to Batlow Railway Bill:

Mr Speaker,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
(4.) Judges Retirement (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1909; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.

5.) Sydney Harbour Trust (Rating) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to declare for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.

6.) Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council, having appointed a Select Committee on Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration, and that Committee being desirous to examine Brian James Doe, Esquire, Jabez Wright, Esquire, and Walter Ernest Wearne, Esquire, Members of the Legislative Assembly, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to its said Members to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if they think fit.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Mr. James moved, That Brian James Doe, Esquire, Jabez Wright, Esquire, and Walter Ernest Wearne, Esquire, Members of the Legislative Assembly, have leave to attend and be examined before the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, on "Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration," if they think fit.

Question put and passed.

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

Mr. President,—

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Council, dated this day, requesting leave for Brian James Doe, Esquire, Jabez Wright, Esquire, and Walter Ernest Wearne, Esquire, Members of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council, on "Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration," the Assembly acquaints the Council that leave has been granted to its said Members to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if they think fit.

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7.) Paper:—Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Lease issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts on 31st November, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8.) Printing Committee:—Mr. Bennett, as Chairman, brought up the Ninth Report from the Printing Committee.

9.) Early Closing (Amendment) 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 regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' and chemists' and druggists' shops and public and private dispensatories; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to Early Closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 not 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 times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' and chemists' and druggists' shops and public and private dispensatories; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to Early Closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' shops and druggists' and chemists' shops and public and private dispensatories; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to Early Closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; 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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10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—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 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 disagreed to some, amended others, and agreed to the remainder of the Council’s amendments, including the amendments in the Title. On motion of Mr. James, the report was adopted.

11. 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 Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, 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 the Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; 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, intituled "A Bill to amend the Mining Act, 1903, as amended by the Miner’s (Amendment) Act, 1901, and the Mining (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.

12. 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:—

(19.) Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1919-20, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £13,110,400 for Public Works and other Services.

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

13. 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 Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 making good the Supply granted to His Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £12,110,400 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.

14. 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. 6), 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 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 Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered, 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,
15. RETURNED SAILORS AND SOLDIERS VOTING BILL.—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable returned sailors and soldiers to vote at any election or poll of electors in a municipality or shire during the year 1920; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

16. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY—MONDAY (SESSIONAL ORDER) —Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick (by consent) moved, without 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 in each week, and Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.
Question put and passed.

17. FARMERS' DROUGHT RELIEF BILL:—

(1.) 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 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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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. 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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, 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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
On motion of Mr. Ashford, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(3.) Mr. Ashford then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; 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.

18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL:—Ordered, on motion of Mr. James, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message, dated 22nd October, 1919, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Local Government Bill,—

Disagrees to the amendment in clause 55, which omits subclause (c) and inserts a new subclause,—because it is of opinion that persons of enemy nationality should not be disfranchised in Municipalities and Shires for any longer period than they are disfranchised in connection with the election of Parliament itself.
Agrees to the amendment in clause 90, which omits subclause (2) and inserts a new subclause (2), but proposes to amend it by inserting after the word "sources" the words "other than a power or electricity undertaking."
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Disagrees to the amendment in clause 130,—because it is of opinion that twopence in the pound on the unimproved capital value is an inadequate limit for the rating in Shires, and that a limit of fourpence is not excessive.

Agrees to the amendments in clause 428, but proposes to amend the words added at end of subclause (4) by omitting the words “public authority” and inserting the words “statutory body.”

Agrees to the other amendments made by the Council in the Bill, including the amendments in the Title.

And the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council in its disagreements from and amendments upon the Council’s amendments in the Bill.

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FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL.—
(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Sir George Fuller,
and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Message No. 93.
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
Fire Brigades Act, 1909.

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

(2.) Sir George 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 further
amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909.

Question put and passed.

0. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its
rising This Day, do adjourn until Monday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-five minutes before Two o’clock, a.m., until Monday next, at Four o’clock.

W S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
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.

PAPERS:—

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Labour and Industry for 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. David Storey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by the Superintendent of the Weights and Measures Office concerning the inconvenience caused to business people in the Camden District in the verification of their weighing appliances.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copies of Cablegrams between the Premier and the Agent-General for New South Wales in London, on drought conditions existing in New South Wales.

Ordered to be printed.

3. NEWCASTLE DISTRICT ABATTOIR AND SALEYARDS AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. David Storey, and read by Mr. Deputy-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 Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915.

State Government House,
Sydney, 28th November, 1919.

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

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

(1.) Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of the balance remaining at the credit of the Wagga Wagga Flood Relief Fund,"—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, 1919.
(2.) University (Building) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund certain sums for the Senate of the University 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, 30th November, 1919.

(3.) Local Government Validation Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to validate and authorise temporary borrowing by the Broken Hill Municipal Council in excess of the limit provided by the Local Government Act, 1906; to amend certain proclamations under the Valuation of Land 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, 26th November, 1919.

(4.) Richmond to Kurrajong Railway Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Richmond to Kurrajong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to set limits to the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend 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, 26th November, 1919.

(5.) Lithgow Water Supply and Sewerage Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the carrying out of works to extend the schemes of Water Supply and Sewerage for the Municipality of Lithgow; to amend 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.


(6.) Yanco to Griffith Railway Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Yanco to Griffith; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.


(7.) Western Lands (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901; 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.

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5. Messages from the Legislative Council:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Public Service (Amendment) Bill (No. 2):—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1881; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaried, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereto 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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Sydney, 28th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (NO. 2).
Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 28th November, 1919.

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

Page 6, clause 10, line 32. After "1910" insert new paragraph to stand as 14A (1) as follows:—

"14A (1). Section eight of the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, is repealed."

Page 6, clause 10, line 37. Omit "a salaries committee" insert "salaries committees each"

Page 6, clause 10, line 41. After "of" insert "any"

Page 7, clause 10, line 6. Omit "this section" insert "the preceding subsection"


Page 7, clause 13. At end of clause add provision as follows:—"Provided that nothing in this section shall affect the provisions of section fifty-six of the Public Service Act, 1902."

Examined,—

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

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration Tomorrow.

(2.) Regent's Park to Cabramatta Railway Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(3.) Ballina to Booyong Railway Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 28th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(4.) Water (Amendment) Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act 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 provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rates, and notifications; to amend the Water Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(5.) Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council, having appointed a Select Committee on Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration, and that Committee being desirous to examine Mark Anthony Davison, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Assembly, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

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Sydney, 1st December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Mr.
Mr. James moved, That Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Assembly, have leave to attend and be examined before the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on “Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration,” if he think fit.

Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. President,—

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Council, dated this day, requesting leave for Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Assembly, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council on “Land Development under Western Lands Commission Administration,” the Assembly acquaints the Council that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 1st December, 1919.

6. Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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 To-morrow.

7. Lager (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.

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

Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. Local Government Bill:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly’s Message, dated 28th November, 1919, a.m. in reference to the Local Government Bill,—

Insists upon its amendment disagreed to by the Assembly in clause 55, which omits subclause (c) and inserts a new subclause,—

1. Because subclause (c) as originally drawn is utterly inadequate.

2. Because of the crimes of Germany against civilization and humanity and in view of the sufferings which Australia in common with the world has suffered at the hands of the German race, which wantonly caused the war, no right or privilege to share in the conduct of public affairs should be bestowed upon persons of enemy origin until Germany and her former Allies have made reparation, shown a spirit of penitence, and fulfilled the obligations of the Peace Treaty.

3. Because Germans at least have adopted the policy in the past of dual nationality, always reserving the first claim on allegiance to Germany herself; and

4. Because the Council holds the view that whilst the disqualification should be uniform in principle with regard to Municipal and Parliamentary franchise, the uniformity should be in the direction of disqualifying Germans and others of enemy origin from both franchises.

Insists upon its amendment disagreed to by the Assembly in clause 130,—because twopence is insufficient and, further, because if it be found to be insufficient, clause 131 provides for such a case.

And agrees to the Assembly’s amendments upon the Council’s amendments in the Bill.

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Sydney, 1st December, 1919.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the Legislative Council’s Message in reference to the amendments in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

9. Housing (Extension) 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. Bavin, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

10. Farmers’ Drought Relief Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

TUESDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1919, A.M.

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. Thomas, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill, with amendments.
On motion of Mr. Ashford, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

11. SECRET COMMISSIONS PROHIBITION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. David Storey 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. Storey, 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. Storey, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at twelve minutes after Two o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.
New South Wales.

No. 47:

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1919.

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

HIGH COST OF LIVING.—Captain Carmichael presented a Petition from the Housewife's Association of New South Wales, representing that the retail prices of food, footwear, and clothing had reached a height at which it was impossible for the housewife to purchase the necessities to maintain a decent standard of living; that this condition bears very heavily on the families of the wage-earner, and still more heavily on those receiving fixed salaries not subject to Wages Boards and kindred awards; and praying that the House will take immediate action thereon by the establishment of effective tribunals, on which tribunals women shall have full representation, and also by the establishment of suburban markets for the convenience of the housewife.

Petition received.

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

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board for year ended 30th June, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Western Land Board for year ended 30th June, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Industrial Arbitration in connection with certain public servants; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, the Public Service 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.

FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 2nd December, 1919.

W. L. S. COOPER,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 2, clause 2, paragraph (i), lines 16 to 18 inclusive. Omit paragraph.
Page 2, clause 2, paragraph (iv), lines 26 and 27. Omit "an overseer" insert "a".
Page 2, clause 2, paragraph (iv), line 27. After "ganger" insert "or".
Page 2, clause 3, paragraph (iv). Omit all the words in line 28.
Page 3, clause 4. After "contained" in line 4 omit all the words down to and including "agreement" in line 2 and insert "in such agreement".

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Page 4, clause 5. After "the" in line 4 omit all the words to end of clause and insert "conduct of the officer and his discharge of his duties warrant an increase of his salary."

Page 4, clause 6. Omit all the words after "determine" in line 15 to end of clause and insert the following:

(a) that any award made in respect of persons employed under the Public Service Acts who have not prior to the making thereof been bound by an award shall take effect from such day whether before or after the commencement of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1919, as the Court may direct; and

(b) that in all other cases an award shall take effect from such day subsequent to the lodging or filing of the application therefor as the Court may direct.

Provided further—

(a) that the Court may in exercising its powers under the last preceding proviso attach such terms, conditions, or restrictions as may appear to it to be just; and

(b) that no employer shall be bound to pay any wages fixed by an award until fourteen days after publication of the award as aforesaid, but the first payment of wages under any such award shall include all arrears which have accrued due from the date upon which the award is directed to take effect.

Page 4, clause 7, line 26. After "award" omit all the words to end of clause.

Page 4. After clause 7 add new clause to stand as clause 8 as follows:

"Section seventy-nine of the Industrial Arbitration Act is further amended by adding at the end of subsection (1A) the following words to stand as subsection (1n):

"(1n) In the course of the public inquiry required to be made by the Board of Trade preceding its declaration of the living wages to be paid to adult employed in rural occupations, the Board shall take evidence upon the conditions of the rural industries and of their ability to bear additional burdens in wages and the probable effect of the same upon production and shall report its conclusions upon such evidence; and further, shall take such conclusions into consideration and give effect thereto as far as is reasonable in making its declaration as to the living wages to be paid to such employees."

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 To-morrow.

(2.) Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the commission which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; 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.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Page 9, Schedule. After line 4 insert

(1) (a) After "suspend " insert "or remit". At end of paragraph insert "or may permit residence to be performed on land held by a member of the same family if it be within a reasonable working distance."

Examined,—

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

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

SECRET COMMISSIONS PROHIBITION BILL

On motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act for the prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prevention of fraud and for other purposes."-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 for the prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prevention of fraud and for other purposes,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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SECRET COMMISSIONS PROHIBITION BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 2nd December, 1919.

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

Page 2, clause 2, line 9. After "works" insert "charterer, master mariner, purser, or any member of the crew of a vessel"

Page 2, clause 2, line 32. After "whatever" add "including an order for any commodity"

Page 2, clause 2, line 41. After "rebate" insert "payment in excess of actual value of the goods or service"

Page 3, clause 2, line 18. After "obstructs" insert "gives untruthful reports"

Page 3, clause 2, line 40. After "agent" insert "or employee"

Page 5, clause 6, line 18. After "trustee" add "director, manager, or official"

Page 7, clause 9, line 7. After "company" insert "or any officer or member of the crew of any vessel"

Examine—

P. B. Colquhoun,
Chairman of Committees.

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 question of restoring the pension rights of those railway and tramway employees who ceased work in 1917, and who have been employed in the service of the Railway Commissioners.

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.

Debate ensued.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

6. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Hickey, or Mr. Mark F. Morton, Chairman, brought up the Third Report, during the currency of the Twenty-fourth Parliament, from the Public Accounts Committee; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to be printed.

7. SUPERANNUATION (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.

Mr. Gardiner moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 3 instead thereof.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Regisall, Mr. G. B. W. McDonald,
Mr. Smail, Mr. W. Miller,
Mr. Bavin, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Breust, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Casser, Mr. Perry,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Colepaugh, Mr. Shaw
Mr. Fidelle, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Girod, Mr. Wearne,
Lieut.-Col. Henley, Tellers,
Mr. Hopkins,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee,

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. James, passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."—put and passed.

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 respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1919.
8. MILITARY-ROAD TO EDWARDS BAY TRAMWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Oakes 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. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment. Mr. Oakes moved, That the report be now adopted. 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 eight Members in the minority who had challenged his decision. The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:—Mr. O'Brien, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Lang, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Birt, and Mr. Briner. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

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

(1.) Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Barren Jack, on the Tumut River and its tributaries, and on the Nymboida River, with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend, the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.

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Sydney, 2nd December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL.
Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 2nd December, 1919.

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

Page 2.—Clause 3. At end of clause add proviso as follows:—"Provided that a Board to be appointed by the Governor and consisting of not more than six members of whom at least three shall be independent persons in no way connected with or interested in the said scheme of works shall, forthwith, investigate the same and report thereon to the Governor." Examined,—

R. B. O'Conor,
Chairman of Committees.

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

(2.) Loan Bill:—

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.

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Sydney, 2nd December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

10. MAROONDAH BAY TRAMWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Oakes 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. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Huiekey, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment. On motion of Mr. Oakes, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

11. NARRANDERA WATER SUPPLY 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 sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1899; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, 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 sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; 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.

12. 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.

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. Thomas, Temporary Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

13. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate; on the motion of Mr. D. H. Hall, “That this Bill be now read a second time,”—And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

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

14. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. D. B. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow at 10 o'clock, a.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-two minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, a.m.
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.

Lease of Premises by the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales to August Scheidel.—Mr. George Cann presented a Petition from certain residents of Darlinghurst and others representing that a lease, made in March, 1916, devised the residence over the New South Wales Government Savings Bank in Darlinghurst-road, Darlinghurst, to one August Scheidel, for the term of one year; that the said lease was extended from time to time, and that the latest extension will terminate in February, 1920; that it is suggested that the said August Scheidel will endeavour to obtain a further extension; that the said August Scheidel is a German subject, and has acted as Consul for Austria; and praying that a further lease be not granted.

Petition received.

3. Proposed Legislation to Validate Certain Proclamations under Quarantine Act, 1897:—Mr. Lang presented a Petition from George Fox, of Llewellyn-street, Balmain, Medical Practitioner, representing that on the tenth day of April last year, Petitioner gave notice in pursuance of Section 139 of the Justices Act, 1902, to Frederick Gregory Adrian, Esquire, Stipendiary Magistrate, of his intention to commence an action in the Supreme Court of New South Wales against the said Frederick Gregory Adrian for two thousand pounds (£2,000) damages for false imprisonment, and committing for trial without jurisdiction or authority of law; that the action was set down for trial in the said Court for the twenty-eighth day of November last, and will, in the ordinary course, be heard and determined in the course of a few weeks; that Petitioner has read in the newspaper of twenty-second November, instant, that it is the intention of the Government to introduce and pass in the present Session of Parliament an Act to validate certain Proclamations issued by the Governor in pursuance of the Quarantine Act, 1897; that Petitioner is desirous that such proposed legislation should, at any rate, not operate so as to prejudicially affect Petitioner in respect of the question of law and damages which arise in the said action; and praying that Counsel may be heard on his behalf at the Bar of the House.

Petition received.

4. Paper:—Mr. David Storey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Director-General of Public Health for 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. Share-Farming Bill (F. O. D.):—On motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved. That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide for the purchase, resumption, and for taking leases of land, and for the disposal of such land for purposes of share-farming or under the Crown Land Acts or the Closer Settlement Acts; to provide a basis of valuation in certain of such resumptions; to enable the Government to carry on share-farming; to regulate and control share-farming and share-farming agreements; to establish boards of control with certain powers and duties; to amend the Crown Lands Acts and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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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 sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Manly, to Edwards Bay; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

6. MILITARY-ROAD TO EDWARDS BAY TRAMWAY BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Manly, to Edwards Bay; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Manly, to Edwards Bay; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

7. MAROUBRA BAY TRAMWAY BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorize the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

8. FARMERS' DROUGHT RELIEF 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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; 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 afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; 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, 3rd December, 1919.

9. MINING (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 Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (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:—

Ma. PRF. SIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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10. CITIZENS’ WAR CHEST ENABLING BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Major Shillington moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word “now” with a view of adding the words “this day six months.”

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

Debate continued.

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

Question put and passed.

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

11. RETURNED SAILORS AND SOLDIERS VOTING 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.

Order (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

12. INTERSTATE DESTITUTE PERSONS RELIEF BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Oakes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

13. HOUSING (EXTENSION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

14. NARRANDERA WATER SUPPLY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Honorable Member for Yass, Mr. Gregory McGirr, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Atkins, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bely, Mr. Bennett, Lt.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Butterenham, Mr. Eden, Mr. Faileck, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson, Mr. D. R. Hall, Lt.-Col. Henley, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning, Mr. G. B. W. McDonald, Mr. McGarry, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Perry, Major Shillington, Mr. Thomas, Major SW Ilington, Mr. Price, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Lang, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Match, Mr. Price, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. Doyle.

Mr. James, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. O. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Ball, Mr. McCarr, Mr. Bidden,
Mr. Bennett, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Butenschaw, Mr. Okas,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perry,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Price,
Mr. Eddie, Major Shillington,
Mr. Fallish, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Walker,
Lieut.-Col. Healey, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Zuhl,
Mr. Hopkins, Teller,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Arkins,
Mr. James, Mr. Bruntnell,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Latimer.

Noes, 17.

Mr. F. M. Burke,
Captain Carmichael,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Mitich,
Mr. O'Brien,
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."

Question,—"That this Bill be now read a second time," put and passed.

Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

15. PAPER:—Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by O. W. Brain, C.E., M.I.E.E. on the proposed Hydro-electric Schemes, and observations thereon by E. M. de Burgh, M.I.C.E.; also observations thereon by Wm. Corin, M.Inst.C.E., M.I.E.B. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1) Secret Commissions Prohibition Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled "An Act for the prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prosecution of fraud; and for other purposes."

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Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
3rd December, 1919.

(2.) Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to make further provision with regard to the settlement of returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to waive certain payments to the Crown; to extend the time for appraisement of capital value and rent, and for effecting improvements in lieu of paying rent in certain cases; to provide for the resolution of lands held by returned or discharged soldiers or sailors; 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,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

RETURNED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 3rd December, 1919.

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

Page 3, clause 2, paragraph (v), line 24. After "widow" insert "or the legal representative."

Page 8, clause 5, line 37. After "Act" insert "or the Crown Lands Acts or Closer Settlement Acts."

Pages 9, 10, and 11, clause 5. Omit from line 30 on page 9 to line 26 on page 11, both inclusive.

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.

17. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir George 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 further amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909.

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 further amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909.

On motion of Sir George Fuller, the resolution was read a second time.

Sir George Fuller then moved, That the resolution be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Sir George Fuller then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to further amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1805,"—which was read a first time.

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

18. TOTALIZATOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir George 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 amendment.

On motion of Sir George 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 amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto."

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Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

19. RETURNED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS EMPLOYMENT 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 the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

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 amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a Board to assist returned soldiers and sailors in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto."

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Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.
20. 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 with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the 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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Sydney, 3rd December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

21. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. D. H. Hall, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

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.

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

22. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, a.m.
Question put and passed.

23. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at fifteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, a.m.

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

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
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.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912.

(2.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912.

(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the extension of the Balmain Cottage Hospital.

(4.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Kogarah Bay Causeway.

(5.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Barrinjuck Dam.

(6.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Barrinjuck Dam.

(7.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Burrinjuck Dam.

(8.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Burrinjuck Dam.

(9.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Maitland to South Grafton Railway.

(10.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912.

(11.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Leichhardt Terminus to Balmain Tramway.

(12.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Narrandera Irrigation Act.

(13.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Cook's River Improvements.

(14.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Forbes to Stockinbingal Railway.

(15.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a System of Storage at Mitta Mitta, River Murray.

(16.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Glenreagh to South Grafton, by provision of Water Supply at Glenreagh.

(17.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Sydney to Albury, by diversion of Railway and provision of new Road near Binalong.

(18.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Sydney to Albury, by diversion of The Oaks Road, near Picton.

(19.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Temora to Berrilan, by provision of Water Supply at Temora.

(20.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Junee to Narrandera, by provision of a public Level-crossing at Coolamon.

(21.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Picton to Mittagong, by provision of Water Supply at West Bargo.
(22.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining Traffic on Railway, Sydney to Nowra, by provision of an Overbridge at Frederick-street, Rockdale.

(23.) Notification of dedication of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, as a Public Highway for access across Kogarah Bay connecting Josephine-street on the west side with Ramsgate-road on the east side.

(24.) Notification of rescission of taking of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917, resumed for the Sydenham to Botany Railway.


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. RETURNED SAILORS AND SOLDIERS VOTING BILL

(Formal Order of the Day),—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 enable returned sailors and soldiers to vote at any election or poll of electors in a municipality or shire during the year 1920; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to enable returned sailors and soldiers to vote at any election or poll of electors in a municipality or shire during the year 1920; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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Sydney, 4th December, 1919.

RETURNED SAILORS AND SOLDIERS VOTING BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 4th December, 1919.

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

3. INTERSTATE DESTITUTE PERSONS RELIEF BILL

(Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; 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:—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 4th December, 1919.

4. NEWCASTLE DISTRICT ABATTOIRS AND SALEYARDS AMENDMENT BILL:—Mr. David Storey 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 the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915.

Question put and passed.

5. NARBANDRA WATER SUPPLY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bell moved, "That" this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Lang 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 the Schedule," instead thereof.

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

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Arkina, Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Beverly, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Britnell, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Rattenclaw, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Oakenfull, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Todd, Major Shillington,
Mr. Fitch, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. J. C. L. Flitpatrick, Mr. Thomas,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Weare,
Mr. S. E. Hall, Mr. Zoll,
Mr. Holman, Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Hokin, Mr. Fox,
Mr. Hunt, Teller,
Mr. James, Mr. Graft.

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. Ball, passed.

Mr. Ball then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to sanction the carrying out of Works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; 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 sanction the carrying out of Works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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6. Bills of Sale (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 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,"—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.


7. Liquor (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

8. Housing (Extension) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. B. 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 erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow money and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; 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 for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow money and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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9. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. David Storey (by consent) moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1913, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915,"—being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.
10. **Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Bill**:

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. David Storey, 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 Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915.

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 Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1915, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915.

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

(2) Mr. Storey then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915,"—which was read a first time.

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

(3) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Storey, 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.

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

On motion of Mr. Storey, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.

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

11. **Suspension of Standing Orders**:

—Mr. David Storey (by consent) moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies' Incorporation Bill being passed through all its remaining stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

12. **Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies' Incorporation Bill**:

—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. David Storey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Storey, 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 tomorrow.

13. **Fire Brigades (Amendment) Bill**:

—The Order of the Day having been read,—Sir George 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 Sir George 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.

On motion of Sir George Fuller, the report was adopted.

Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

14. **Returned Sailors and Soldiers Voting 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 enable returned sailors and soldiers to vote at any election or poll of electors in a municipality or shire during the year 1920; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 4th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
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15. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Oakes (by consent) moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations, and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for other purposes," being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

16. PROCLAMATIONS VALIDATION BILL:

(1.) Mr. Oakes moved, without Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations, and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918, and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Oakes presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations, and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for other purposes,"—which was read a first time.

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

(3.) Bill read a second time.

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

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

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

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

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

On motion of Mr. Oakes, that the Title of the Bill be "An Act to validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918; 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 validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th December, 1919.

17. EARLY CLOSING (AMENDMENT) 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 progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

18. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee.

19. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Sir George Fuller, read a third time, and passed.

Sir George Fuller then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to further amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909."

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 Fire Brigades Act, 1909,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th December, 1919.

20. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, a.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at four minutes after Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, a.m.

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

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

Paper.—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by Sir Charles Wade, K.C., on the Office of the Agent-General in London. Ordered to be printed.

2. Liquor (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments. On motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, the report was adopted. Ordered (by consent), that the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

3. Early Closing (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. James, the report was adopted. Ordered (by consent), that the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

4. Messages from the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) Mining (Amendment) Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th December, 1919.

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President.
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(3.) Military-road to Edwards Bay Tramway Bill —
Mr. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of said line during construction; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
FRED. FLOWERS,
Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th December, 1919.

5. ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES' INCORPORATION 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. David Storey, the report was adopted.
Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—DYRAADA AND URANGELINE:—Mr. James, on behalf of 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 owners, the private lands comprised in the estates particularised, and at the prices indicated, in the Schedule hereunder:

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Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

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

(1.) Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Bill —
Mr. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Interstate Destitute Persons Relief Bill —
Mr. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth; to make further provision for serving and executing certain summons and maintenance orders; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(3.) Narrandera Water Supply Bill —
Mr. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1913, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(4) Housing (Extension) Bill —
Mr. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
8. INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, "That this Bill be now read a third time."

Mr. Holman 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 paragraph (e) of clause 5, and the insertion of a new paragraph in the same clause; the insertion of a new subclause in clause 9; the reconsideration of clause 10; and the consideration of a new clause to follow clause 6,' instead thereof."

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.

Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted,—put and passed.

On motion of Mr. Holman, the Bill was recommitted for the reconsideration of paragraph (e) of clause 5, and the insertion of a new paragraph in the same clause; the insertion of a new subclause in clause 9; the reconsideration of clause 10; and the consideration of a new clause to follow clause 6, instead thereof.—put and passed.

9. LIQUOR (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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, 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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 6th December, 1919, A.M.
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 16 DECEMBER, 1919.

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. PAPERS:

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for a Sanitary Depot Site at Bankstown.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Amended Regulation under the Fisheries Act, 1902.
(2.) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 30th September, 1919.
(3.) Statement of Assets and Liabilities of Public Companies, for quarter ended 30th September, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. David Storey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of R. M. Mackay as Assistant Medical Officer, Rookwood Asylum, Department of Public Health.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(2.) Rule made under the authority of the Charter of Justice and the Legal Practitioners Act, 1898.
(3.) Public Service List for 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker entered the House, and took the Chair.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC RELIEF BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. Oakes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; 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 afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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4. **ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES' INCORPORATION BILL** (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. David Storey, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. David Storey then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; 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 incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

5. **ASSENT TO BILLS:**—Mr. Speaker reported that, since the last meeting of the House, Messages had been received from His Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bills:

1. **Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) Bill**—

   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

   A Bill, intituled "An Act 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 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, 1919.

2. **Gilmore to Batlow Railway Bill**—

   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

   A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Gilmore to Batlow; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend 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, 5th December, 1919.

3. **Clarence River (Northern Breakwater) Bill**—

   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

   A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River; to amend 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, 5th December, 1919.

4. **Water (Amendment) Bill**—

   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

   A Bill, intituled "An Act 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 provide for the fixing of such cost; to increase the minimum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts, rates, and notifications; to amend the Water 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, 5th December, 1919.
(5.) Ballina to Booyong Railway Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Ballina to Booyong; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to authorise the construction of the said line on, along, or by the side of any road or highway; to amend 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, 5th December, 1919.

(6.) Regent's Park to Cabramatta Railway Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Cabramatta; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to authorise the use of the said line during construction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Sydney, 5th December, 1919.

(7.) Judges Retirement (Amendment) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend 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,"—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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Sydney, 5th December, 1919.

(8.) Sydney Harbour Trust Rating Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to make further provision for rates on property vested in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; 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, 5th December, 1919.

(9.) Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to amend the law with respect to superannuation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Acts relating to the Public Service; 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, 12th December, 1919.

(10.) Returned Sailors and Soldiers Voting Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intitled "An Act to enable returned sailors and soldiers to vote at any election or poll of electors in a municipality or shire during 1920; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; 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, 10th December, 1919.
6. Messages from the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Liquor (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o'clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans' licenses, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition, with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; 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, 10th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 10th December, 1919.

W. L. S. COOPER,
Clerk of the Parliaments.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
16th-17th December, 1919.

Page 31, clause 74. Omit clause.
Page 34, clause 89, lines 20 and 21. Omit "brewers' servants and licensed publicans' servants"
   insert "employees".
Page 35, clause 89, line 39. Omit "Court," insert "Court of the Attorney-General and"
Page 39 and 40, Schedule 1, line 17. Omit "(Licensing Reduction)" wherever occurring.

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.

(2.) Early Closing (Amendment) Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' shops and chemists' and druggists' shops, and public and private dispensatories; to prohibit night drinking; for the above purposes to amend the Act relating to early closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1919, and the Bread Act, 1901; 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, 10th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

EARLY CLOSING (AMENDMENT) BILL.
Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 10th December, 1919.

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

Page 2, clause 2, line 5, Omit "that subsection" insert "those subsections respectively."

Examined.—
B. B. O'Conor,
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.

(3.) Proclamations Validation Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to validate certain proclamations, orders, regulations, and by-laws; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, and the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(4.) Fire Brigades (Amendment) Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to further amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 8th December, 1919.

B. B. O'Conor,
Deputy-President.

7. Adjournment:—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 need for bringing in a Bill to provide for the establishment of a Local Government Bill for Greater Newcastle." 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick drew attention to Order of the Day No. 20 of Government Business for the introduction of a Bill to constitute a Greater Newcastle, and submitted that the motion anticipated discussion on that Order of the Day and was, therefore, out of order.

Mr. Speaker upheld the objection.

8. Referendum on Abolition of Legislative Council:—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, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should be abolished,"—And the Question being again propounded,—

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 took precedence, under Sessional Order adopted on Wednesday, 1st October, 1919.

9. FARMERS' DROUGHT RELIEF BILL:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to afford relief to farmers affected by the prevailing drought; to validate certain payments, undertakings, and advances; to provide for the postponement of certain proceedings and remedies against farmers; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto 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, 16th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

FARMERS' DROUGHT RELIEF BILL
Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 16th December, 1919.

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

Page 2, clause 4, line 39. After "money" insert "on such terms and conditions as the Minister may think fit, including the making of agreements with creditors for postponing the recovery of any debt due to a creditor by a farmer, or the exercise by a creditor of any "rights and remedies against a farmer or his property." Page 3, clause 4, line 9. Omit "and".

Page 3, clause 4, lines 5 and 6. Omit paragraph (f).

Pages 3 and 4. Omit short heading and clauses 10, 11, 12, and 13, and insert new short heading and clause as follows:—

Stay of proceedings.

10. (1) Where any farmer is granted relief in any of the ways mentioned in section four hereof, the Minister may serve by post, or otherwise as prescribed, upon any creditor concerned, a notice in the form prescribed calling upon him within twenty-one days of service of such notice to meet the Minister, or such person as the latter may appoint, for the purpose of making an agreement between the Minister and such creditor postponing for the period during which this Act is in force or any lesser period the recovery of any debt due by such farmer to such creditor, or the exercise by such creditor of any right or remedy against such farmer or his property.

(2) The service of such notice shall operate against any such creditor and in favour of such farmer as a stay of proceedings for twenty-eight days from such receipt, that is to say, the creditor shall not during such period commence any proceeding or continue any proceeding already commenced against the farmer mentioned in such notice in respect of all or any of the matters following:—

(a) the recovery of any money due or owing by such farmer; or

(b) the recovery of possession of lands or premises held by such farmer under any form of letting; or

(c) the recovery of any goods held by such farmer under any agreement; or

(d) the distress for rent; or

(e) the institution of bankruptcy proceedings; or

(f) the enforcement of any remedy under a mortgage.

(3) Any agreement made between the Minister and a creditor for postponement as aforesaid shall be binding, and shall effect a stay of proceedings in respect of the matters aforesaid for the period in such agreement mentioned.

(4) If such creditor—

(a) fails to meet the Minister or his appointee as aforesaid; or

(b) refuses to accept an offer of the Minister to guarantee payment of the whole of the then due and payable debt of the farmer before the thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, together with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum for the period of postponement and in consideration of such guarantee refuses to make an agreement with the Minister for such postponement of proceedings as aforesaid;

then in either case the Minister may within twenty-eight days of the service of such notice refer the matter to a Local Land Board as constituted under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(5) Any such reference shall have the effect of continuing the stay of proceedings until the said 31st day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, unless the Land Board otherwise order.

(6) Upon such reference being made the Land Board shall forthwith deal with the matter and make such order therein as to it may seem just and equitable, and may in any such order terminate the stay of proceedings, either at once or at any date before the said thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and either unconditionally or upon such terms and conditions as it may think fit.

(7) For any of the said purposes such Land Board may exercise all or any of the powers conferred upon it by the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(9)
(8) Notwithstanding the above provisions, it shall be open to the Minister and such creditor at any time before the order of the Land Board is made to make an agreement providing for a stay of proceedings against the farmer or his property as aforesaid, and such agreement shall have the same force and effect as if it had been made before the termination of the said twenty-eight days after the service of the notice aforesaid, and in the event of any such agreement the reference to the Land Board shall be deemed not to have been made.

Page 5, clause 17, lines 26, 27, and 28. Omit "time between the receipt of any such notice by a creditor and the thirty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one," insert "any stay of proceedings under this Act"

Page 5, clause 17, line 28. Omit "run " insert "be reckoned"

Page 5, clause 17, line 29. Omit "such " insert "a"

Page 5, clause 17, lines 30 and 31. Omit "in respect of any matter in which the creditor may have been restrained as aforesaid"

Examined,—

B. B. O'Connor,
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.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Message of 1st December, 1919, in reference to the amendments in this Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee did not insist upon the Assembly's disagreements from the Council's amendments.

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

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

Mr. President,—
The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message, dated 1st December, 1919, in reference to the Local Government Bill,—does not insist upon its disagreements from the Council's amendments in the Bill.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

11. CROWN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

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

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

Mr. President,—
The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and declare the law relating to Crown lands; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Crown Lands (Amendment) Act, 1917; and for other purposes."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

12. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Deputy-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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. James, 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 extend the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to make further provision for the purchase by discharged soldiers and sailors of certain tenures under the Crown Lands Acts; to limit the power which may be charged by agents on certain sales of land; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

13. RETURNED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—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 for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had amended one and agreed to other of the Council's amendments.

Mr. James moved, That the report be now adopted.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Arkins, 17; Mr. Birt, 17.
Mr. Artur, 17; Mr. Berkley, 17.
Mr. Bagshaw, 17; Mr. Michael Burke, 17.
Mr. Bavin, 17; Mr. George Cann, 17.
Mr. Bennett, 17; Mr. William Davies, 17.
Mr. Birrer, 17; Mr. Doyle, 17.
Mr. Broughton, 17; Captain Dunn, 17.
Captain Chadsey, 17; Mr. Simons Hickey, 17.
Mr. Cocks, 17; Mr. Kearns, 17.
Mr. Colquhoun, 17; Mr. Layton, 17.
Mr. Falliss, 17; Mr. Lazarnini, 17.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Lea, 17.
Sir George Fuller, 17; Mr. de Kellow, 17.
Mr. Geddo, 17; Tellers, 17.
Mr. D. R. Hall, 17; Mr. John Storey, 17.
Mr. Hoskins, 17; Mr. Stuart-Robertson, 17.
Mr. Hunt, 17; Tellers, 17.
Mr. James, 17; Mr. Keegan, 17.
Mr. Lauo, 17; Mr. Quick, 17.

Mr. Speaker, 17.

Mr. Birt, 17.
Mr. Berkley, 17.
Mr. Michael Burke, 17.
Mr. George Cann, 17.
Mr. William Davies, 17.
Mr. Doyle, 17.
Captain Dunn, 17.
Mr. Simons Hickey, 17.
Mr. Kearns, 17.
Mr. Layton, 17.
Mr. Lazarnini, 17.
Mr. de Kellow, 17.
Mr. John Storey, 17.
Mr. Stuart-Robertson, 17.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. James, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message, dated 3rd December, 1919, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill, —

Agrees to the amendment in page 8, clause 5, line 37, which inserts the words "or the Crown Lands Acts or Closer Settlement Acts," but proposes to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "or" (first occurring) the words "a discharged soldier who is an applicant for land under" and by inserting after the word "Acts" (second occurring) the word "and."—

Agrees to the other amendments made by the Council in the Bill.

And the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council in its amendments upon the Council's amendment in the Bill.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

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

1. Influenza Epidemic Relief Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to afford relief in respect of certain losses, expenses, and obligations in connection with the influenza epidemic; to give effect to a certain proclamation published in the Gazette dated the 27th day of February, 1919; for that purpose to appoint a Commission with certain powers and duties; to validate certain payments; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

2. Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies' Incorporation Bill:—

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such Society from the Consolidated Revenue; 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, 16th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES' INCORPORATION BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 16th December, 1919.

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

Page 4, clause 11, line 10. After "Governor" insert "on the recommendation of the Council." Examined—

W. T. DUGG, Temporary 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.
15. **INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL**

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 for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had amended some and agreed to other of the Council’s amendments.

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

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

**MR. PRESIDENT,—**

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council’s Message, dated 2nd December, 1919, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill,—

Agrees to the amendment in page 4, clause 5, but proposes to amend it by adding at the end of the clause the words “In the event of the said Board refusing to give such certificate, the officer shall be supplied with a written statement showing the reason why such certificate was refused.”

Agrees to the amendment in page 4, clause 7, line 26, but proposes to amend it by the reinsertion of the words “may apply to the Court to vary the wage provisions contained in the award.”

Agrees to the amendment in page 4, which inserts a new clause but proposes to amend it by adding at the end of the clause the words “and may also should it think fit refrain from making such declaration in such occupation.”

Agrees to the other amendments made by the Council in the Bill.

And the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council in its amendments upon the Council’s amendments in the Bill.

**Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1919, A.M.**

16. **PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (NO. 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 for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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 Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1910, the Superannuation Act, 1916; the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1918, and the Civil Service Act, 1884; to make further provision for the appointment, term of office, salaries, powers, pensions, and retiring allowances of members of the Public Service Board; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

**Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1919, A.M.**

17. **LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—**

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 for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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 extend the period during which licensed and registered premises shall be closed at Six o’clock; to suspend local option; to reduce the number of publicans’ licences, and to provide for compensation; to submit to a referendum the question of prohibition with compensation, and the question of the hour at which licensed and registered premises shall be closed; to give effect to such referendum; to limit the duration of agreements providing for an abatement of rent; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Local Option) Amendment Act, 1913, the Liquor Referendum Act, 1916, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

**Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1919, A.M.**

18. **ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE WELFARE OF MOTHERS AND BABIES’ INCORPORATION BILL:**

The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. David Storey, 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. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendment.

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

Ordered,
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 "A Bill to incorporate and otherwise promote the objects of the Royal Society for the Welfare of Mothers and Babies; to make provision for a grant to such society from the Consolidated Revenue; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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Sydney, 17th December, 1919, A.M.

20. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:

(1.) Returned Soldiers and Sailors Employment Bill.—

W. E. Davidson,
Governor,

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that preference in employment be given to returned soldiers and sailors; for the reinstatement in employment of returned soldiers and sailors; for the appointment of a board to assist returned soldiers and sailors in obtaining employment and otherwise; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; 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, 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 December, 1919.

(2.)
(2.) Mining (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Mining Act, 1906, as amended by the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1907, and the Mining (Amendment) Act, 1918; 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 December, 1919.

(3.) Military-road to Edwards Bay Tramway Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a tramline from the Military-road, Mosman, to Edwards Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend 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, 16th December, 1919.

(4.) Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of an electric tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to authorise the construction of the said line on roads; to provide for the use of the said line during construction; to amend 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, 16th December, 1919.

(5.) Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Act, 1912, as amended by the Newcastle District Abattoir and Saleyards Amendment Act, 1915,"—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 December, 1919.

(6.) Interstate Destitute Persons Relief Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act for the relief of persons whose relatives liable to support them reside in another state of the Commonwealth, to make further provision for serving and executing certain summonses and maintenance orders; 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 December, 1919.

(7.) Narrandera Water Supply Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the carrying out of works to augment the scheme of water supply for the Municipality of Narrandera; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.
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(8.) Housing (Extension) Bill —

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, 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.

Governor House,
Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

21. BAPTIST UNION INCORPORATION 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. Thomas, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered (by consent), 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 incorporate the Baptist Union of New South Wales; to empower such corporation to purchase, acquire, and hold lands, and also to sell, mortgage, and lease lands, and to rest all lands and other property, real or personal, now belonging to the said Union or vested in trustees for the same, in such corporation, and to empower the said corporation to act as trustees of property now or hereafter held in trust for certain Baptist congregations, and for power to alter or vary certain trusts; and for 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. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Baptist Union of New South Wales; to empower such corporation to purchase, acquire, and hold lands, and also to sell, mortgage, and lease lands, and to rest all lands and other property, real or personal, now belonging to the said Union or vested in trustees for the same, in such corporation, and to empower the said corporation to act as trustees of property now or hereafter held in trust for certain Baptist congregations, and for power to alter or vary certain trusts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

22. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL 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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thomas, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That the report be now adopted.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Honorable Member for Gloucester, Mr. Price, be not further heard.

Question put and passed.

Question,—That the report be now adopted,—put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

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

(1.) Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council, having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly's Message, dated 16th December, 1919, in reference to the Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill, agrees to the Assembly's amendments upon the Council's amendment in this Bill.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council, having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly's Message, dated 17th December, 1919, a.m., in reference to the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill, agrees to the Assembly's amendments upon the Council's amendments in this Bill.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
24. **EARLY CLOSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Deputy-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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. James, 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 regulate the times of closing of hairdressers' and tobacconists' shops and chemists' and druggists' shops, and public and private dispensaries; to prohibit night baking; for the above purposes to amend the Acts relating to early closing, the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, and the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

25. **POSTPONEMENTS:**—The remaining Government Business, and Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 3, and 4 of General Business, postponed, on motion of Mr. James, until after Order of the Day No. 6 of General Business.

26. **WENTWORTH ESTATE PARTITION 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. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered (by consent), 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 make effectual an Indenture of Partition, dated the twenty-second day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, prepared for the purpose of carrying into effect a Decree of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction, dated the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, whereby the said Court confirmed a partition of certain lands devised by the will of the late Percy Wentworth, situated in the districts of Illawarra, Appin, and Bankstown, in the State of New South Wales."

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 make effectual an Indenture of Partition, dated the twenty-second day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, prepared for the purpose of carrying into effect a Decree of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction, dated the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, whereby the said Court confirmed a partition of certain lands devised by the will of the late Darcy Wentworth, situated in the districts of Illawarra, Appin, and Bankstown, in the State of New South Wales;"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

27. **THE UNION TRUSTEE COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA, LIMITED (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate caused.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnston, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered (by consent), 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 Union Trustee Company of Australia, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon The Union Trustee Company of Australia, 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 Union Trustee Company of Australia, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Union Trustee Company of Australia, Limited, and to validate certain actions of the said Company," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

28. Hydro-Electric Development (Construction) Bill:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council, having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly's Message, dated 17th December, 1919, a.m., in reference to the Hydro-Electric Development (Construction) Bill, does not insist upon its amendment disagreed to by the Assembly in this Bill.

The Council, however, does not admit that its amendment involves an appropriation or charge upon the Consolidated Revenue under Section 46 of the Constitution Act.

There has always been a clear line of distinction drawn between Bills appropriating public moneys and Bills which provide the machinery in connection with the carrying out of matters which the moneys are appropriated for.

The Council's amendment was inserted to ensure investigation of the work proposed in accordance with the intention and desire of Parliament as expressed in the Acts constituting the Public Works Committee, and to that extent accords with the express will of Parliament, except that there being no Public Works Committee in existence, some body should be indicated to make an investigation.

The matter of appropriating moneys to meet the expenses of such a body is still left to the Legislative Assembly, in pursuance of its admitted rights under the Constitution Act.

The Council claims that it is within its rights in indicating the nature of the machinery which ought to be associated with the purpose of the Bill.

At this late period of the Session, and in view of the exigencies that have arisen, the Council does not desire to arrest the passage of a measure in which it is generally in accord, but places it on record that it claims its rights and privileges and asks that its action now shall not be regarded as a precedent in waiver of the principle involved.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th December, 1919.

Fred. Flowers,
President.

29. Printing Committee:—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Eleventh Report from the Printing Committee.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

Thursday, 18 December, 1919, a.m.

30. Necessaty-Commodities Control 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 provide for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary-Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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 provide for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary-Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th December, 1919, a.m.

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

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

Daniel Levy,
Speaker.
No. 52.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 18 DECEMBER, 1919.

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. BOARD OF TRADE'S DECLARATION IN REGARD TO COST OF LIVING—Mr. Lang presented a Petition from the women of the Public Service, representing that it was the intention of the Government that the increase owing to the Board of Trade's declaration in regard to the cost of living was only to be paid to male officers irrespective of marital condition; and praying that any grant, bonus, or increase of salary whatever should apply to all officers irrespective of sex. Petition received. At the request of Mr. Lang, the Petition, by direction of Mr. Deputy-Speaker, was read by the Clerk.

3. ADJOURNMENT:

(1.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for St. George, Mr. Bagnall, 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 Miners' Accident Relief Act be amended to provide an increase in payment to persons entitled to same." Mr. Speaker ruled the Notice out of order as not being a specific matter of recent occurrence, and said that no motion having been moved, he would proceed to draw another Notice from the Box.

(2.) 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 payment to the firm of J. and A. Brown of the sum of £14,941 12s. 11d. as compensation for alleged loss said to have been occasioned by the employment of unskilled loyalist labour at the Pelaw Main and Richmond Main coal-mines during the 1917 industrial trouble, when the Government assumed control of the mines of the State." And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—Mr. Kearsley 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, 27:
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. B beckett, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Cockes, Mr. Cranst, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Hayley, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Perry, Major Shillington, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Wrenn, Tatters, Captan Chaffey.

Noes, 21:
Mr. Birt, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. John Storey, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Penney, Mr. Dayley, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Mcgirr, Mr. Match, Mr. Quirk, Mr. John Storey, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Loughlin.

And
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.

Question,—That this House do now adjourn,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Atkins, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Ball, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Brune, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Bristow, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Cameron, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Cran, Mr. Weare.

Tellers, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Lang, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Wearne.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL 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 provide for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and 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, 18th December, 1919.

B. B. O'CONOR,
Deputy-President.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 18th December, 1919.

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

Page 6, clause 12, line 6. After "commodity" omit "concerning which a declaration has been made under section 10".

Page 6, clause 13, line 23. Omit "nine" insert "ten".

Page 7, clause 14, line 15. Insert new paragraph (d) as follows:—

"(d) there existed special circumstances in the particular case which rendered the declared price of a commodity inadequate and that the action of the defendant was reasonable."

Page 8, clause 15. After subclause (1) insert new subclause to stand as subclause (2) as follows:—

"(2) Any purchaser from such person of a necessary commodity at a price in excess of the fixed price may recover from such person in any court of competent jurisdiction the amount of such excess where the same has been actually paid by him to such person."

Page 10, clause 21. At end of clause add the following proviso:—

"Provided that nothing in this section shall affect the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales.

Page 13, clause 32. Omit clause and insert new clause as follows:—

"If any question of law arises in the course of any proceeding under this Act the Chairman shall, if any party to such proceeding so desire, state a case for the determination of that question of law by the Supreme Court."

"(2) The determination of the Supreme Court shall be binding upon the Commission."

Page 14, clause 37, line 16. 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 forthwith.

(2.) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, 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.
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:

Mn. PRESTDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the control of necessary commodities and the prevention of profiteering; to repeal the Necessary Commodities Control Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th December, 1919.

5. 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 Schedule herewith:

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

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

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
PROCLAMATION.

NEW SOUTH WALES, to wit.

 Hải 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 Tuesday, the tenth day of February next, and the same stand so prorogued accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. T. BALL.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
BUSINESS UNDISPOSED OF AT THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION.
(PROROGUED 29TH DECEMBER, 1919.)

QUESTIONS:

1. **Mr. Lang** to ask [The Premier],—
   (1.) In view of the promise given to the Honorable Member for Granville by him that something would be done before Christmas to recognise the services rendered by certain ladies in connection with hospital and other work during the recent influenza epidemic, will he state whether any action has yet been taken?
   (2.) Is it a fact that the then Minister of Health, the Honorable J. D. FitzGerald, promised that their services would be recognised by the issue of a medal or a ribbon, also a free railway pass, so that they would have opportunities to go away for a rest before Christmas?

2. **Mr. Lang** to ask [The Premier],—
   (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to pay a bonus to civil servants for extra labours imposed during the currency of the war, and to enable them to meet the extraordinary high cost of living?
   (2.) If so, will the Government give immediate instructions for the bonus to be paid before Christmas?

3. **Mr. Mark F. Morton** to ask [The Secretary for Lands],—
   (1.) What amount of money has been expended by the Lands Department up to date at Albion Park Calf Depot on (a) purchase of calves and number bought; (b) erection of residence, calf and other sheds; (c) clearing land, fencing, &c.; (d) purchase of milk, milking cows, and food; (e) wages and expenses?
   (2.) What number of calves have been removed to other pastures, and where are they now located?
   (3.) How many calves have died?

4. **Mr. Price** to ask [The Secretary for Public Works],—
   (1.) Has his attention been directed by the Honorable Member for Gloucester to the fact that serious loss and inconvenience is being experienced by the fact that there is no punt available over the Karuah River, between Alicetown and Tea Gardens, Port Stephens, for the transit of stock and vehicles?
   (2.) Is it a fact that starving stock from various parts of the State are being depastured in the Port Stephens district, and that in consequence of no facilities being provided this entails extra cost and national loss?
   (3.) Is it a fact that this is a national work, and that the local Councils are unable to make provision for a new punt, as their finances will not enable them to undertake the undertaking?
   (4.) In view of the foregoing, will he be good enough to (a) have a special report obtained on the matter; (b) make provision for this being dealt with as a national work; (c) confer with the Local Government Department in connection with the matter; if not, why not?

5. **Mr. Price** to ask [The Secretary for Public Works],—
   (1.) In connection with bulk-handling of wheat, were quotations invited from American and British firms for the establishment of the necessary plant to deal with same?
   (2.) If so, what stage did the negotiations reach in February, 1918?
   (3.) (a) Were the quotations accepted; (b) what action was decided upon in connection with the offers submitted?
   (4.) Is it a fact that at that date Australian firms were willing to submit quotations for the installation of complete plant, and accept a proportion of Treasury Bills in payment of same?
   (5.) Were Australian firms given sufficient time to enable them to submit plans and quotations for portion or whole of the plant?
   (6.) Were tenders called to enable Australian firms to have an opportunity of submitting quotations or tendering; if not, why was this course not adopted?
   (7.) Was the Government definitely committed to Messrs. John S. Metcalfe & Company's plans in connection with elevators; if not, why was competition not invited through America and Australia to submit plans?
   (8.) Is the Government committed to pay Messrs. Metcalfe & Company commission for supervising the elevation of the elevators whether their plans are used or not?
6. Mr. Price to ask The Minister for Agriculture,—
(1.) How many tenders were received for the silos advertised to be erected in the country districts?
(2.) What were the figures for each group?
(3.) Was it a fact that the amount for each tender was £140,000 below the next lowest was not accepted; will he give the reason why it was not accepted; by the non-acceptance of this tender, will he inform this House how much extra the country has to pay for the erection of these silos?
(4.) Will he state why a contract was given to Mr. Tassdale Smith for the erection of a terminal elevator at Sydney without any tenders having been called; also the amount that this building is to cost; is it a fact that it runs into nearly £400,000?
(5.) Is Mr. Tassdale Smith the gentleman who lent the Holman Government £200,000, and took Treasury Bills for the same, about fifteen months ago; is it a fact that this gentleman received and signed a contract for the whole elevator scheme for New South Wales near the end of 1916; was this contract afterwards cancelled?

7. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Was a report prepared by the firm of Messrs. John S. Mcalfe & Company, Limited, on the proposed grain elevators and silos for New South Wales; (a) if so, on what date were instructions issued to Messrs. Metcalfe to prepare such report; (b) what was the amount agreed upon as payment; (c) was there an extra commission agreed upon; if so, what was the amount of such commission?
(2.) Was the amount of £20,000 paid to Messrs. Mcalfe & Company, Limited; if so, on what date; will he be good enough to state if any further payments have been made to this gentleman, or the firm of Messrs. John S. Mcalfe & Company, Limited; what were the dates of such payments?
(3.) Were plans furnished ordinary office copies, or were they designed for any particular sites; if so, did they give details showing levels, excavations, and necessary details; were they working plans for the particular sites on which the elevators were to be erected, or simply ordinary office plans?
(4.) What amount has been paid to date to the firm of Messrs. Mcalfe & Company, Limited, and what amount is the Crown still indebted to this firm?
(5.) Is it a fact that these plans cost the State over £30,000 for stock office plans, when complete working plans could have been prepared by draftsmen of the Department for the sum of about £5,000?

8. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Is it a fact that the figures given for the State Sawmills, under the head of Industrial Undertakings, do not agree with the figures shown in the Estimates?
(2.) Has the State Sawmills been dealing with sawn timber cut at private mills, and also with hewn private property?
(3.) What extra amounts were paid to persons, other than the vendors, who had a lien over such land?
(4.) Why is the building of the elevators to be financed when money is so dear?
(5.) What is the total amount of all expenditure incurred in connection with the State Sawmills, the land resumptions, and the tramway?
(6.) What is the cost up to date of the tramway from The Glen to Craven Railway; what is the total cost estimated to complete the work?

9. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Is it a fact that the figures given for the State Sawmills, under the head of Industrial Undertakings, do not agree with the figures shown in the Estimates?
(2.) Will he be good enough to state (a) what was the purchasing price of the State Sawmills; (b) the amount paid for the land resumed known as "The Glen"?
(3.) What extra amounts were paid to persons, other than the vendors, who had a lien over such land?
(4.) What is the cost up to date of the tramway from The Glen to Craven Railway; what is the total cost estimated to complete the work?
(5.) What is the total cost of all expenditure incurred in connection with the State Sawmills, the land resumptions, and the tramway?
(6.) Do these figures agree with the figures furnished under the head of State Sawmills by the Auditor-General under the heading Industrial Undertakings; if not, how is the discrepancy explained?

10. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Is it a fact that the State Sawmills has been handling a large quantity of timber cut on private property?
(2.) Has the State Sawmills been dealing with sawn timber cut at private mills, and also with hewn timber obtained on private property?
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(3.) In view of the fact that the State Sawmills have cost more than the statutory limitations provided by the Public Works Act, will he be good enough to explain the reasons for breaking the law in this instance?

(4.) Is it a fact that certain officers of the State Sawmills were engaged temporarily for a period of six months; has this period now expired; will he state if the officers in question have since passed the necessary Civil Service examination; if not, will he take steps to have the provisions of the Public Service Act carried out in this instance?

(5.) When will Mr. Commissioner Allard, who is reporting on the Public Service and Industrial Undertakings, commence his inquiry into the purchase of and the operations of the State Sawmills?

11. Mr. Fairfax to ask The Secretary for Lands,—

(1.) Is it a fact that, by the resumption of the alienated frontages within the Counties of Macquarie, Hawes, Gloucester, Durham, and Vernon, a large area of Crown lands would be made available at a low price per acre for soldier settlements?

(2.) Will he consider the advisability of taking action with a view to such resumptions, also the establishment of light lines of railway to open up such soldiers' settlements?

GENERAL BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Policy of the Government in the Settlement of Returned Soldiers; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Major Shillington, "That, in the opinion of this House, the policy of the Government in the settlement of returned soldiers on the land should be reconsidered, particularly in regard to the question of interest charges."

2. Revision of the Constitution of the Commonwealth; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Bavin, "That this House is of opinion,— (1.) That the time has arrived for a general revision of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, in the light of the experience gained since its establishment, and in view of the greatly increased responsibilities of the Commonwealth Government for external affairs. (2.) That the primary and general aims of this revision should be: (a) to diminish the present cost of the governmental systems of Australia; (b) to prevent the duplication of governmental agencies and functions; (c) to secure a greater measure of decentralisation in administration; (d) to render more effective and complete those powers of government which properly belong to the central Government; (e) to relieve the central Government, so far as is possible, of those functions which can be performed with equal efficiency by the Governments of the States, thus leaving it free for the exercise of the functions which necessarily belong to it. (3.) That the mode of constitutional amendment prescribed by Section 128 of the Commonwealth Constitution is not adequate or suitable for such general revision as is necessary; and that it is, therefore, expedient that the work of revision should be committed to a Convention consisting of representatives of all the States of the Commonwealth, who should be empowered to co-opt additional members. (4.) That for the purpose of facilitating the work of the Convention a Royal Commission, including representatives of each State, should be appointed by the Government of the Commonwealth, to report upon the working of the existing governmental system of Australia, with special reference to the aims set out in paragraph 2 above, and to make suggestions for its amendment. (5.) That these resolutions be submitted to the Governments of the Commonwealth and of the States, with a request for their concurrence, and for their cooperation in the measures which may be found necessary to carry them into effect."

3. The Ashtonfields Coal Mines Railway Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. G. R. W. McDonald.]

4. Irrigation Commission; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. McGarry, "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."

Upon which Mr. Johnston had moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "of," and inserting the words "a Commission, upon which the farmers shall have full representation," instead thereof.

5. Uhr's Point State Timber Yard; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Keegan,— (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the management and administration of the Uhr's Point State Timber Yard. (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Grimm, Captain Carmichael, and the Mover.

6. Self-determination for Ireland; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. McGarry, "That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived for the British Parliament to grant self-determination to Ireland."

(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by the Premier to the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

7. Abolition of Office of State Governor; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Gardner, "That, in the opinion of this House, the office of State Governor should be forthwith abolished."

8. Referendum on Abolition of Legislative Council; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell, "That, in the opinion of this House, a referendum should be taken at the next General Election, for the purpose of giving the electors an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to whether the Legislative Council should be abolished."
NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. Beeby to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be immediately appointed to inquire into a statement made during the debate on the Address in Reply of 20th August, 1919, by Mr. Grahame, to the effect that Mr. Beeby went up there (meaning Nyngan) with a party and was shown over the place; motor-cars were provided; they were taken round the district, and a dinner was prepared. When they were all ready to go back into the train, a gentleman who was accompanying the Minister, who was one of his guests, went to the man who was interested in the exchange and he said, “This thing is all right, I have fixed it, but it will cost you £1,000.” The man said, “I cannot give it to you, and I will not give it to you.” Mr. Beeby’s friend said, “It will cost you £1,000 to get it,” and the man who was interested in the exchange said, “I will pay nothing. This is an exchange in the interests of the Crown, and be will have to do it for nothing.” The gentleman who was a guest of Mr. Beeby, and who accompanied him on the trip said, “Give me £800 or you will not get your exchange.” Mr. Beeby and his friend came back that night; the following week the exchange was refused.

2. Mr. Bruntnell to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing,—
   (1) The number of holdings in the various Land Board Districts of the State during 1918.
   (2) The number of farms that were balloted for.
   (3) The number of applications for such farms.

3. Mr. Bruntnell to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. A. L. Robertson, formerly employed by the Public Works Department.
   (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Rail, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fallick, Mr. George Cann, Colonel Onslow, and the Mover.
   (3) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of Session 1918, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, &c., be referred to such Committee.

4. Mr. Buckley to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the farmers, retailers, and workers, being all producers of Australia, should take warning against the ever-growing power of the subsidised Press, Premier’s publicity agents, combines, trusts, and capitalistic secret societies, which are part and parcel of the “Junker” system in Australia.

5. Mr. F. M. Burke to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Edward Roberts, who was dismissed from the Public Service under the old Public Service Board.
   (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Brienen, Mr. Bognall, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Eirt, Mr. Match, and the Mover.

6. Mr. F. M. Burke to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of W. Linley, of Newcastle, as to an alleged miscarriage of justice in connection with proceedings taken by his wife against him for maintenance.
   (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Doe, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Edden, Mr. Wright, Mr. Davidson, and the Mover.

7. Mr. Cameron to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that an inquiry be held into the administration of the Railway Commissioners, particularly with regard to policy, finance, and staff.

8. Mr. William Davies to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived to increase the miners’ accident relief allowance, on account of the increased cost of living.

9. Mr. Dooley to move,—
   (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 Levey, with a view to the amendment of the Act if necessary.
   (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Fallick, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Briner, Mr. George Cann, and the Mover.
   (3) That the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee of Session 1918, be referred to such Committee.

10. Mr. Estell to move,—
    (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the severe penalty imposed upon Arthur Thompson for a breach of building ordinances of the Waratah Council.
    (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. George Cann, Mr. William Davies, Mr. McKell, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Perry, Mr. McGarry, and the Mover.

11. Mr. Hoskins to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the conditions and administration of the Police Force should be investigated.

12. Mr. Johnston to move,—
    (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances in and around the losing and granting by lease of the Cargo Racecourse.
    (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ashford, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Dooley, Captain Dunn, Mr. Walker, Mr. Bennett, and the Mover.
MR. KEEGAN to move,—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claim of Mr. Roger Duffey, of Bankside, near Rockdale, to certain land in Grose-street, Campground, known as section 28 of the Campground Estate, and also into the circumstances which prevented the said Roger Duffey from asserting his claim to such land in a court of law.
(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. McKell, and the Mover.

MR. LANG to move, That so much of the prayer of the Petition presented on 4th November from John Dwyer, John Walsh, and Mona M. Waters, praying to be heard at the Bar of this House on behalf of certain tenants and electors of Sydney and the metropolitan area in favour of the repeal of the Landlord and Tenant Act, and the extension of the ambit of operations of the Fair Rents Court, be granted.

MR. LEE to move, That, pursuant to the provisions of the Audit Act, the Public Accounts Committee be asked to inquire into and report upon,—
(1) The causes of the huge expenditure on the provision and maintenance of State motor-cars.
(2) Whether the statement of the Auditor-General, in his 1918 Report, that £49 13s. 9d. of public money was wantonly used for provision of a motor-car for Mrs. Holman, during a visit to San Francisco, is accurate; and, if so, on what grounds such wrongful use of public money was justified.

MR. MANNING to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the policy of the Public Instruction Department should be reviewed and the conditions of the officers investigated.

MR. GREGORY McGURK to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the resumption and purchase and acquisition of all estates by the Lands Department for the last three years.

MR. GREGORY McGURK to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into and report upon the general operations of the New South Wales portion of the wheat pools, 1915, 1916, 1917-18, together with the operations in buying and selling wheat scrips incidental to those pools.

MR. PUGH to move, That, in the opinion of this House, with a view to the utilisation of the matured timber, and the opening up of the Crown lands on the Bulga Plateau for returned soldiers, an immediate inquiry, report, and survey should be obtained, and the proposed railway between Wingham and Walcha proceeded with.

MAJOR SHILLINGTON to move, That, in the opinion of this House,—
(1) The commercial classes established in various State schools in the metropolitan area have proved so successful that an extension of the system is justified.
(2) The educational system would be improved if the commercial classes were dissociated from the primary schools, and that, in order to attain this object, the erection of the proposed new commercial school in the Western Suburbs should be put in hand without further delay.

MR. JOHN STOREY to move,—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal of Pilot Captain T. L. Davies from the Navigation Department.
(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. McKell, Mr. Loughlin, and the Mover.

MR. SUTART-ROBERTSON to move,—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the proper standard of living.
(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Keegan, Captain Dunn, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Estell, Mr. Doc, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Walker, and the Mover.

MR. WALKER to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the salaries and conditions of the Public Service should be investigated with a view to securing greater efficiency and better conditions.

MR. WAENK to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a leave in the Wheat Pool, from any cause whatsoever, should be nationalised.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Farmers' Drought Relief Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's amendments. [Mr. Ashford.]

2. Statute of Limitations Bill (Council Bill); to be further considered in Committee. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

3. Town Planning Bill; second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

4. Registration of Successory Trusts Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

5. Land Surveyors Bill; second reading. [Mr. Ashford.]

6. Local Government (Main Roads) Bill; second reading. [Mr. James.]

7. Architects Bill; second reading. [Mr. James.]

8. Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. James.]

9. Citizens' War Chest Enabling Bill (Council Bill); resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, "That this Bill be now read a second time," upon which Major Shillington had moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view of adding the words "this day six months."
10. Returned Sailors and Soldiers Imperial League of Australia (New South Wales Branch) Incorporation Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. James.]

11. Meat Industry (Amendment) Bill; to be further considered in Committee. [Mr. David Storey.]

12. Height of Buildings (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that certain buildings shall be adequately provided with the means for extinguishing and escape from fires; to amend the Height of Buildings (Metropolitan Police District) Act, 1912, and the Height of Buildings (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes incidental thereto and consequent thereon. [Sir George Fuller.]

13. Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to weights and measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, and the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916; to regulate the making and sale of bread, and to repeal the Bread Act, 1901; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto. [Sir George Fuller.]

14. Commercial Trusts Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to repress trusts and monopolies in trade or commerce; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

15. Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on teamsters', carriers', and travellers' large stock; to provide for the appointment of permit inspectors; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912; as amended by the Pastures Protection (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for the purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ashford.]

16. Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision with respect to the management of the Government Savings Bank and for extending and regulating its operations; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1905; the Government Savings Bank Amendment Act, 1913; the Savings Banks Amalgamation Act, 1914; the Government Savings Bank Amendment Act, 1914; the Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ashford.]

17. Parramatta Sewerage (Surplus Funds) Bill; further consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the transfer of certain surplus sewerage funds from the Council of the Municipality of Parramatta to the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ball.]

18. Public Instruction (Continuation Schools) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the education of young persons up to a certain standard; and for the establishment of Continuation Schools; to amend the Acts relating to public instruction; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. James.]

19. Local Government (Greater Newcastle) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to constitute a Greater Newcastle; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to Local Government, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. James.]

20. Australian Historical Museum Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to constitute and incorporate the trustees of the Australian Historical Museum; to provide for the management and endowment of that institution; to exempt from stamp duty donations and bequests to that institution; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon. [Mr. James.]

21. Public Instruction (School Boards) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the appointment of members of Parents and Citizens' Associations as Public School Boards; and to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880. [Mr. James.]

22. 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; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. David Storey.]

23. Public Health (Dangerous Infections or Contagious Diseases) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision for preserving the public health; to prevent the spread of diseases; to provide that certain conditions persons suffering from certain diseases may be removed to and detained in hospitals; to regulate the conveyance of corpses and the speedy interment of the dead; to provide that the business of hairdressers be carried on in a sanitary manner; to amend the Public Health Act, 1902, the Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. David Storey.]

24. Secret Commissions Prohibition Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill for the prohibition of secret commissions, and for the prevention of fraud and for other purposes. [Mr. David Storey.]

25. Supply; resumption of the Committee. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

16. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

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Legislative Assembly Office, Sydney, 29th December, 1919.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
## BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES DURING THE SESSION OF 1919

1. **New Writs issued**
2. **Select Committees**
   - On Public Matters
   - On Public Bills
   - On Private Bills
3. **Standing Committees**
4. **Public Bills**
   - Originated in the Assembly
   - Received the Royal Assent
   - Otherwise disposed of
5. **Private Bills**
   - Originated in the Assembly
   - Received the Royal Assent
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6. **Petitions received**
   - Printed
   - Not Printed
7. **Divisions**
   - In the House
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8. **Sittings**
   - Days of Meeting
   - Hours of Sitting
   - Hours of Sitting after Midnight
   - Daily Average
   - Adjourned for want of a Quorum
9. **Votes and Proceedings**
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**New South Wales**

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- By Message
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W. S. MOWLE,
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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.
   - Local Government; sent to Council.

   - Bills of Sale (Amended); ordered for second reading.
   - Conveyancing; ordered for second reading.
   - Public Trustee (Amendment); ordered for second reading.
   - Statute of Limitations; to be further considered in Committee.

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Sydney, 29th December, 1919.

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### NEW SOUTH WALES

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