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No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 26 APRIL, 1922.

Opening of Parliament:—The House met at Twelve o'clock at Noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the nineteenth day of April, 1922, of which a copy was read by Mr. William Stewart Mowle, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:—

"NEW SOUTH WALES, 

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."

Ty pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as such Governor aforesaid by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being an Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution: I do hereby proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the State of New South Wales, for the despatch of business, shall commence and be held on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of April instant, at Twelve o'clock at Noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney: And Members of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

"Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this nineteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and in the twelfth year of His Majesty's Reign."

"By His Excellency's Command,

"GEORGE W. FULLER.

"GOD SAVE THE KING!"

Writs of Election:—The Clerk announced that he had received, through the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, a correct List, without any omission, certified by His Excellency the Governor, of the names of the several persons returned for the Electoral Districts set against such names respectively, at the General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, which was held on the 25th day of March, 1922; and further certifying that the several Writs of Election, being twenty-four in number, were duly returned on or before the day on which they were legally returnable:—

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Names of Members returned. | Electoral District for which returned.
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Buttenshaw, Ernest Albert | Murrumbidgee.
Cameron, William | Maitland.
Cann, George | St. George.
Chadley, Frank Augustus | North Shore.
Cocks, Arthur Alfred Clement | Newcastle.
Connell, Hugh John | Newcastle.
Cromarty, Magnus | Sturt.
Davidson, Mark Anthony | Wollondilly.
Davies, William | Sturt.
Doe, Brian James | Bathurst.
Dooley, James | Northern Tableland.
Drummond, David Henry | Wollombi.
Drummond, William Francis | Eastern Suburbs.
Fallon, Cyril Joseph | North Shore.
Fell, William Scott | Oxley.
Fitzgerald, Joseph John | Beef.
Fitzpatrick, John Charles Lucas | Cumberland.
Fitzsimons, William Robert | Murrumbidgee.
Flannery, Martin Matthew | Wollondilly.
Fuller, George Waburton | Eastern Suburbs.
Goldstein, Hyman | St. George.
Golding, Mark | Hyde.
Gree, Robert | Murrumbidgee.
Griffin, Arthur Hetherington | Hyde.
Hendry, Thomas | Oxley.
Hill, Theodore Hooke | Western Suburbs.
Hoskins, Tom James | Sydney.
Jackson, Joseph | Eastern Suburbs.
Jaques, Harold Vivian | Balmain.
Kerigan, Thomas | Murray.
Kilpatrick, Matthew | Balmain.
Lane, Albert | Parramatta.
Lang, John Thomas | Western Suburbs.
Lazzarini, Carlo Camillo | Sydney.
Lee, John Robert | St. George.
Ley, Daniel | Coogamundra.
Ley, Thomas John | Hyde.
Loughlin, Peter French | Northern Tableland.
Lorquin, Edward James | Coogamundra.
McClelland, Alfred | Sydney.
McGirr, James | Botany.
McGirr, John Joseph Gregory | Western Suburbs.
McKell, William John | Coogamundra.
McLennan, Edward Aloysius | Sydney.
Main, Hugh | Byron.
Minahan, Patrick Joseph | Botany.
Misingham, William Thomas | Western Suburbs.
Moleworth, William | Goulburn.
Morrow, Thomas Howard | Balmain.
Morton, Mark Fairies | Botany.
Murphy, Cecil Horace | Byron.
Murray, David | Western Suburbs.
Murphy, Thomas Davies | Goulburn.
Nebitt, George | Maitland.
Noss, John Thomas | Eastern Suburbs.
O'Brien, William Joseph | Balmain.
O'Halloran, Robert Ernest | Botany.
O'Hara, Robert | Goulburn.
O'Hara, Robert | Namoi.
O'Hearn, Walter Finlay | Newcastle.
Oakes, Charles William | Balmain.
Pavrianis, Raymond Stephen | Wammwarama.
Perry, John Arthur | Oxley.
Perry, John | Cumberland.
Quirk, John | Namoi.
Radcliffe, Wilfred Joseph | North Shore.
Rosenthal, Charles | Goulburn.
Rutledge, Thomas Lloyd Forster | Bathurst.
Scully, Patrick Charles | Wammwarama.
Skelton, Walter Peden Joyce | Oxley.
Stepford, Robert | Cumberland.
Stuart-Robertson, Robert James | Namoi.
Thorby, Harold Victor Campbell | North Shore.
Vincent, Roy Stanley | Western Suburbs.
Walker, Robert Bruce | Sturt.
Wearne, Walter Ernest | Western Suburbs.
Weaver, Reginald Walter Davey | Sturt.
Wilson, James Chaplain | Western Suburbs.
Wright Jabe... | Western Suburbs.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted, delivered a
message that "The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in
the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission for opening of Parliament read."

The House went, and the President said:—

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—
His Excellency the Governor, not deeming it fit to be personally present this day, has been
pleased to cause a Commission to be issued, under the Public Seal of the State, constituting as
Commissioners to do all things necessary to be performed by the Governor in the name and on
the part of His Majesty the King, or in the name and on the part of His Excellency the
Governor of the State, in order to the opening and holding of this Parliament, to deliver a
Message to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all such other things as may be specially
necessary to enable Parliament to perform acts which admit of no delay, as will more fully
appear by the Commission itself, which must now be read."

Whereupon the Clerk of the Parliaments, by direction of the President, read the said Commission,
as follows:—

"George V, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the
British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India,

To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"Greeting:

Whereas by Proclamation made on the twentieth day of April, instant, His Excellency Sir Walter
Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and
Saint George, our Governor of our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the
Commonwealth of Australia, did, in pursuance of the power and authority vested in him as
Governor of our said State, by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of
His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being "An Act to Consolidate the Acts relating
"to the Constitution," proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly
constituted under the said Act, and composing the Parliament of our said State of New South
Wales, should commence and be held on Wednesday, the twentieth day of April instant:

And whereas, for certain causes, our said Governor cannot conveniently be present in person
at the opening of the said Session: Now know ye, that we, trusting in the discretion,
fidelity, and care of our trusty and well-beloved the Honorable Frederick Flowers,
President of the said Council, the Honorable Sir Joseph Hector Carruthers, K.C.M.G.,
Vice-President of our Executive Council of the said State, and the Honorable Broughton
Barnabas O'Conor, Members of the said Legislative Council, do, with the advice of
our Executive Council of our said State, give and grant by the tenor of
these presents unto the said Frederick Flowers, Sir Joseph Hector Carruthers, and Broughton
Barnabas O'Conor, so being such President and Members of the said Legislative
Council, or any two of them, full power in our name to open and hold the said Session
of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly on the said twentieth day
of April or subsequent day, on our behalf, to do all things necessary to be done in our
name, or in the name of our Governor of our said State, in and about the opening and
holding of the said Parliament, to deliver a Message to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all
such other things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament to perform acts which admit
of no delay: Commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it concerns to meet
in the said Parliament, that to the said Frederick Flowers, Sir Joseph Hector Carruthers, and
Broughton Barnabas O'Conor, or any two of them, they diligently attend in the premises
in the form aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, we have caused these our Letters to be made patent, and the
Public Seal of our said State to be hereunto affixed.

"Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander
of our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, our Governor of
our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia,
at Sydney, in New South Wales aforesaid, this twenty-first day of April, in the
year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and in the twelfth year
of our Reign.

"W. E. DAVIDSON,
"Governor.

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

The Members of both Houses being seated at the request of the President,—
The President said:—

"Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.—We have it in command from the Governor to let you
know that, it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is His
Excellency's pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your own
Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your
number to be your Speaker.

"We are further commanded to acquaint you that His Excellency desires that such measures
may be taken by you as may be deemed expedient to meet the exigencies of the Public Service."
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4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE:—The Clerk informed the Assembly that he had received, through the office of the Colonial Secretary, a Commission, under the hand of His Excellency the Governor, and bearing the Seal of the State, authorising the Honorable Sir George Warner Fuller, K.C.M.G., Premier, the Honorable Charles William Oakes, Colonial Secretary and Minister for Public Health, and the Honorable Walter Ernest Wearne, Secretary for Lands and Minister for Forests, Members of the Legislative Assembly, or any one or more of them, to administer the Oath 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, Governor of the State of New South Wales, do, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorise the Honorable Sir George Warner Fuller, K.C.M.G., Premier, the Honorable Charles William Oakes, Colonial Secretary and Minister for Public Health, and the Honorable Walter Ernest Wearne, Secretary for Lands and Minister for Forests, Members of the Legislative Assembly, or any one or more of them, to administer the Oath of Allegiance to His Majesty 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.

"Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the State of New South Wales, at Sydney, in the State aforesaid, this twenty-first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and in the twelfth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth.

"W. E. DAVIDSON,
"Governor.

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

5. MEMBERS SWARE:—Sir George Fuller took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance himself, and administered the same to the two other Commissioners, the Honorable William Oakes, and the Honorable William Ernest Wearne, and then the Commissioners respectively signed the Roll of all the Members present—the Clerk producing the several Writs returning them, and the Members signing the Roll as they were severally called to the Table, viz:—

John Marcus Buddley, Esquire. The Honorable Sir Thomas Henley, K.B.E.
The Honorable Richard Thomas Ball. Joseph Jackson, Esquire.
The Honorable Thomas Rainsford Bavin. Harold Vivian Jaques, Esquire, B.A., LL.B.
The Honorable Walter Bennett. Thomas Keegan, Esquire.
The Honorable Albert Bruntnell. Albert Lane, Esquire.
Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Frederick Bruxner, D.S.O. John Thomas Lang, Esquire.
Francis Michael Burke, Esquire. Carlo Camillo Lazzarini, Esquire.
William Cameron, Esquire. The Honorable Daniel Levy, B.A., LL.B.
George Cann, Esquire. The Honorable Thomas John Ley.
Captain the Honorable Frank Augustus Chaffey. Peter French Loughlin, Esquire.
The Honorable Alfred Clement James McGirr, Esquire.
Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Frederick Cocks. Edward James Loxton, Esquire, K.C.
The Honorable Arthur Alfred Clement James McColl, Esquire.
Cocks. Alfred McClelland, Esquire.
William Davies, Esquire. Edward Aloysius McDermott, Esquire, B.A., LL.B.
Captain William Fraser Dunn. William Thomas Missingham, Esquire.
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Robert Emmet O'Halloran, Esquire.
Walter Robert Joyce Skelton, Esquire.
Raymond Stephen Perdriau, Esquire.
Robert John Stwart-Thomas, Esquire.
Harold Victor Campbell Thorby, Esquire.
John Quirk, Esquire.
Roy Stanley Vincent, Esquire.
Wilfred Joseph Hutchings, Esquire.
Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire.
Major-General Sir Charles Rosenthal, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Reginald Walter Darcy Weaver, Esquire.
Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Lloyd Forster Rutledge.
James Chaplin Wilson, Esquire.
Patrick Charles Scully, Esquire.

OCCUPATION OF SPEAKER:—Mr. Wilson, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), proposed to the House for their Speaker, Daniel Levy, Esquire, and moved, "That Daniel Levy, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,"—which motion was seconded by Dr. Arthur.

Debate ensued.

The House then calling Mr. Levy to the Chair, he stood up in his place, and expressed the sense he entertained of the honor proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the House.

Debate continued.

The House then again unanimously calling him to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Mr. Wilson and Dr. Arthur, and conducted 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 by unanimously choosing him to be again their Speaker,—and thereupon sat down in the Chair.

Sir George Fuller, Captain Dunn, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, and Mr. Mark F. Morton congratulated the Speaker.

Sir George Fuller informed the House that he had ascertained that His Excellency the Governor would receive their Speaker at Government House at five o'clock this afternoon, and moved, That this House do now adjourn until Five o'clock this afternoon.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, accordingly, at twenty-nine minutes before Four o'clock, until Five o'clock, this Day.

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

PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER:—The House proceeded to Government House to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor,—and having returned,—Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, where he informed the Governor that, immediately after the opening of Parliament today, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted right, had proceeded to the election of their Speaker, that their choice had fallen upon him, and that he had now to present himself to His Excellency as their Speaker;—whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer him his congratulations,—that he had then, on behalf of the House, laid claim to all their rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, to free access to His Excellency when occasion should require, and that the most favourable construction should, on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings;—to all which His Excellency had readily assented.

Mr. Speaker then repeated his grateful thanks for the honor the House had been pleased to confer upon him.

ASSENT TO BILLS:—Mr. Speaker reported that, since the last meeting of Parliament, Messages from His Excellency the Governor, assenting to the following Bills, had been received:—

1. Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—
   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
   A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.
   Government House, Sydney, 28th December, 1921.

2. Loan Bill:—
   W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.
   A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services; and for other purposes,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.
   Government House, Sydney, 28th December, 1921.
(3.) Appropriation Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the year from the 1st day of July, 1921, to the 30th day of June, 1922 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1920-21, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period of the 1st day of July, 1920, to the 30th day of June, 1921 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims for the year 1920-21; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and to provide for Services out of the Closer Settlement Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House, Sydney, 28th December, 1921.

9. PAPERS:—

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Bahmee Sheet of the Marrumbidgee Irrigation Areas, together with notes of Officers of the Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered to be printed.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Forty-second General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Ordered to be printed.

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

(2.) Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners for 1921.
(3.) Report of the Fisheries Department for 1920.

Ordered to be printed.

(4.) Regulations under the Public Health Acts, 1902-21.
(5.) Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899.
(6.) Regulations under the Fisheries Act, 1902.
(7.) Regulations under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1905.
(8.) By-laws under the Newcastle District Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses Act, 1912.
(9.) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Banks and Public Companies for Quarter ended 31st December, 1921.

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

(2.) Report of the National Park Trust for year ended 30th June, 1921.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Particulars of Western Lands Leases, issued under the provision of the Western Lands Acts from 22nd October, 1921, to 24th April, 1922.
(4.) 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.
(5.) Abstract of Crown Lands authorised to be dedicated to public purposes under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Public Trusts Act, 1897.
(6.) Abstract of Crown Lands authorised to be dedicated to religious purposes in accordance with the Crown Lands Alienation Act, 1861.

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

(1.) Report of the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1921, together with Balance-sheets, Appendices, etc.
(2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales, together with Balance Sheet.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Regulation under the Navigation Act, 1901, and the Navigation Amendment (Regulations) Act, 1904.
(4.) Amended Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900.
(5.) Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900 (closing of Gladesville Bridge.)

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

(1.) Annual Report of the Stock Branch, Department of Agriculture, for the year ended 30th June, 1921.
(2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Curless (Wentworth) Irrigation Area, for 1921.
(3.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Hay Irrigation Area for 1921.

Ordered to be printed.

(5.) Amended Regulations under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-18.
(6.) Regulations concerning the Destruction of Noxious Weeds or Plants, under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-18.

Mr. Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Victor Harold Bruce as Sheep Assistant, Department of Agriculture.

(7.) Regulations and By-laws under the Wentworth Irrigation Acts, 1912-18.

Mr.
Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(2.) Supreme Court Rule—Letters of request.
(3.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment, on probation, of Mr. R. V. Shield, M.C., R.A., LL.B., as Officer in Charge, Legal Aid Office.

Sir Thomas Henley laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the quarter ended 31st December, 1921.
(2.) Schedules 1 to 4, 1921-1922, Estimates—Public Works Fund (Construction).
(3.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for:
   (a) Steeng., Depot and Pound Site in the Municipality of Ryde.
   (b) Hunter District Water Supply.
   (c) Public Park at Terranora.
(4.) Murrumbidgee Irrigation Scheme.
(5.) Housing accommodation for the colliery staff at the State Coal Mine at Lithgow.
(6.) Maintaining traffic on Railway between Sydney and Albury by constructing new bridge near Minnamurra.
(7.) Maintaining traffic on Railway between Sydney and Albury by duplicating railway between Murrumburrah and Demondrille.
(8.) Maintaining traffic on Railway between Sydney and Albury by additional accommodation near Demondrille.

Mr. Ley laid upon the Table the following Paper:
Amended Regulation under the Justices (Fees) Act, 1904.

Mr. J. G. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Certified copy of agreement between the Council of the Shire of Cessnock and Caledonian Collieries, Limited, relating to a franchise granted by the Council for the supply of electricity.
(2.) Papers relating to the appointment of Mr. Alfred Robert Asher as Valuer, Department of Local Government, Valuer-General’s Department.
(3.) Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
(4.) Amendment of General Rule under the Mines Inspection Act, 1901.
(5.) Regulations and Schedules under the Mining Act, 1906.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Amended By-laws and Rules of St. Paul’s College, under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900.
(2.) Notifications of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School Purposes at Beralu, Bexley, Bilambil, Bombo, Upper Crystal Creek, Girraween, Gledswood, Mount Pritchard, Ruby, Rocky Creek, and Wollala.
(3.) Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney, under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900.
(4.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment on probation, of Miss E. J. Brown and Mr. A. R. Dege as teachers, Technical Education Branch.

10. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Bennett (in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act) laid upon the Table:
(1.) Railway from Bankstown to Regent’s Park.—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan, relating to the proposed Railway from Bankstown to Regent’s Park.
(2.) Tramway from Burns Bay Road to Fig-Tree Bridge, Lane Cove River.—Third Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed Tramway from Burns Bay Road to Fig-Tree Bridge, Lane Cove River.
(3.) Tramway from Ryde to New Cemetery for Northern Suburbs.—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed Tramway from Ryde to New Cemetery for Northern Suburbs.
(4.) Tramway from Chatswood to New Cemetery for Northern Suburbs.—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed Tramway from Chatswood to New Cemetery for Northern Suburbs.
(5.) Extension, with Additional Shed Accommodation, to Lee Wharf, Newcastle Harbour.—Report together with Minutes of Evidence, Appendix, and Plan, relating to the proposed Extension, with Additional Shed Accommodation, to Lee Wharf, Newcastle Harbour.
(6.) Railway from Rand (Late Billabong) to Ringwood.—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan, relating to proposed Railway from Rand (late Billabong) to Ringwood.
(7.) Railway from Oaklands to Savernake.—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan, relating to the proposed Railway from Oaklands to Savernake.

Ordered to be printed.
11. NEW ADMINISTRATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Sir George Fuller informed the House that upon the receipt of the resignation of the late Government on Thursday, the 13th April instant, His Excellency the Governor sent for him and commissioned him to form a Ministry. He did so, and later on the same day the following members of the Ministry were sworn in at a meeting of the Executive Council:

- The Honorable Sir George Warburton Fuller, K.C.M.G., M.L.A., Premier;
- The Honorable Sir Joseph Hector Carruthers, K.C.M.G., M.L.C., Vice-President of the Executive Council;
- The Honorable Walter Ernest Wearne, M.L.A., Secretary for Lands and Minister for Forests;
- The Honorable Charles William Oakes, M.L.A., Colonial Secretary and Minister for Public Health;
- The Honorable Thomas Hainsford Bavin, M.L.A., Attorney-General;
- The Honorable Arthur Alfred Clement Cocks, M.L.A., Colonial Treasurer;
- The Hon. Sir Thomas Henley, K.B.E., M.L.A., Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Railways and State Industrial Enterprises;
- The Honorable Richard Thomas Ball, M.L.A., Minister for Agriculture;
- The Honorable Albert Bruntnell, M.L.A., Colonial Treasurer;
- The Honorable Thomas John Ley, M.L.A., Minister of Justice;
- The Honorable Frank Augustus Chaffey, M.L.A., Assistant Minister for Lands and Agriculture;

Sir George Fuller then indicated the business which the Government proposed to proceed with during the present Session.

12. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:—Captain Dunn informed the House that on the 20th April instant, Mr. James Dooley had been appointed Leader of the Opposition.

13. SYMPATHY WITH MR. DOOLEY, M.L.A.:—Sir George Fuller, on behalf of the House, expressed sympathy with Mr. Dooley, Leader of the Opposition, on the unfortunate and painful accident which had recently befallen him.

Captain Dunn also addressed the House.

14. DEATH OF FORMER PREMIER (THE HONORABLE J. S. T. MCGOWEN):—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice,—

(1) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of the Honorable James Sinclair Taylor McGowen, M.L.C., a former Premier of the State of New South Wales.

(2) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. McGowen the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales on the death of her distinguished husband.

The motion having been seconded by Captain Dunn, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—Question put and carried unanimously, Members and Officers of the House rising in their places.

15. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to James Dooley, Esquire, one of the Honorable Members for Bathurst, on account of illness. Question put and passed.

16. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1) Mr. Weaver moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider a motion that Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the whole House for the present Session.

Question put and passed.

(2) Mr. Weaver moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of a motion that "Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire," be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Murphy moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the words "Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire," and inserting the words "a Member of the Legislative Assembly" instead thereof.

Mr. Speaker said: The hon. member Mr. Murphy sought to amend a motion in respect of which only the motion of urgency had been moved and carried by the House, and in his opinion it would be quite wrong to allow any amendment of that kind. The House had already paved the way, under
under Standing Order 395, for the carrying of a specific motion, that motion being that Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, should be Chairman of Committees of the whole House for the present Session. It might be that the effect of his ruling would be very inconvenient, and that hon. members might be deprived of certain opportunities which they otherwise might have had. He ruled the amendment out of order.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 48.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Neas,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Perdian,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Bruttell, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Lient.-Col. Bruzner, Lient.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Buteusahaan, Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Theby,
Mr. Coeks, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Grennyt, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Dev, Mr. Wearn,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Scott Fall, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Teller's,
Mr. Fizsimons, Sir George Fuller,
Sir George Fallar, Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Atkins,
Mr. Gromley,
Sir Thomas Holley,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Hickins,
Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Jaques,
Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ley,
Mr. Jenkins,
Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Mark F. Morton.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Baddeley,
Mr. Birt,
Mr. George Cunn, Mayor Council,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davie,
Captain Dunn,
Dr. Fallet,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazurini,
Mr. McClelland,
Mr. James McGirr,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. McEllistern,
Mr. Malworth,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. O'Reano,
Mr. Quirt,
Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. Sketch,
Mr. Robert Robertson,
Mr. Wright,

Tellers,
Mr. Frank Burke,
Mr. Gooding.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

17. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Weaver moved, That "Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire," be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the present Session.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Murphy moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the words "Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire," and inserting the words "Dr. Richard Arthur" instead thereof.

Mr. Speaker said he was clearly of opinion that the amendment was out of order. He did not go the length of saying that where an urgency motion under Standing Order 395, and the consequent motion for the suspension of Standing Orders, had been carried that he would not permit of any amendment at all to the motion in respect of which those motions were carried by the House. In the case of all ordinary amendment to a motion he would have to consider the matter on its merits, but he would be very sorry indeed to lay down definitely a rule that where the urgency motion and the suspension motion had been moved and the House had come to the actual motion that no amendment whatsoever could be moved, but in this case, although the Honorable Member called this an amendment it was virtually a substantive motion. A similar point had arisen on the 2nd September, 1919, when a motion had been moved upon notice for the appointment of William Fraser Dunn, Esquire, as Chairman of Committees, and a second proposal had been submitted, without notice, for the appointment of Percy Brevan Colphoun, Esquire. It was only because he regarded the nomination of Mr. Colphoun as a substantive motion that he accepted it. He still took the view that where one Member was nominated as Chairman of Committees and then another Member was nominated, the second nomination could not be taken in any legitimate sense as an amendment of the first motion. That being the case he could not regard the amendment which had been moved by Mr. Murphy as coming within the category of amendments which might legitimately be moved to a motion in respect of which the urgency motion and the suspension motion had been passed. He regarded this motion—that Dr. Richard Arthur be the Chairman of Committees of the Whole House—as a substantive motion, and having regard to the nature of the suspension of the Standing Orders he was constrained to rule that the hon. member's amendment was out of order.

Debate continued.

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 47.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Moleworth,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bacon, Mr. Mark E. Morton,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Keogh,
Mr. Bruce, Mr. Hearn,
Lieut.-Col. Brunner, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Butters, Mr. Percival,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Cocke, Sir Charles Rosewell,
Mr. Crowe, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Doe, Dr. Sedgwick,
Mr. Davenport, Mr. Thorley,
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. J. E. J. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wears,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Waizer,
Mr. Goldsmid, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Griffin, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Heyden, Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Hocking, Mr. Fitzsimmons,
Mr. Jackson, Tellers,
Mr. Jacquet, Messrs. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Macartney,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Long, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Lane, Tellers,
Mr. Langan, Mr. McCullough,
Mr. Logan, Mr. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Walker made his acknowledgments to the House.

18. Pro Forma Bill.—Law of Evidence Bill.—Sir George Fuller presented a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence," and moved, That this Bill be read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

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

"Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—

"We have it in command from the Governor to let you know that, it being necessary—that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is His Excellency’s pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your own Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

"We are further commanded to acquaint you that His Excellency desires that such measures may be taken by you as may be deemed expedient to meet the exigencies of the Public Service."

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

(1.) Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries 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 reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1898, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th April, 1922.

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

2.) Income Tax 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 an increase of Income Tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts.

State Government House,
Sydney, 22nd April, 1922.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.
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26th April, 1922.

21. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity,—

(1.) That a Bill, intituled “A Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,” be introduced.

(2.) That the Committee of Ways and Means be forthwith appointed, and that a Bill, intituled “A Bill to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts,” be passed through all its stages in one day, and that the Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means, wherein the Bill is proposed to be founded, be received on the same day on which it is come to by the said Committee.”

Questions severally put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude,—

(1.) A Bill, intituled “A Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,” being introduced.

(2.) The appointment forthwith of the Committee of Ways and Means, and the passing of a Bill, intituled “A Bill to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts,”—through all its stages in one day, and would also preclude the Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means, wherein the Bill is proposed to be founded, being received on the same day on which it is come to by the said Committee.

Debate ensued.

Questions severally put and passed.

22. COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS:—Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That this House will, at a later hour of the day, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Question put and passed.

23. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES BILL:—Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That this House immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902; the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1908; the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance Act, 1912; the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cocks, 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 reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902; the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1908; the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance Act, 1912; the Parliamentary Representatives’ Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

24. COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Cocks, 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,—

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

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

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

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

Resolved,—That towards raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty, there shall be charged, collected, levied, and paid an additional 6d. in the £ income tax, upon income with respect to which income tax is payable in the year 1922.

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

25. INCOME TAX BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cocks, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 1), to provide for an increase of Income Tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts.

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(2.) Mr. Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for an increase of income tax, and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Cocks moved, That the Bill be printed, and 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, 40.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Bohan,
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Cun, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. Daniel, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. O'Brien, Teller, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Missingham, Mr. O'Brien, Teller,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Norman, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nkey, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Bentinck, Mr. Oaken, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Cocks, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Doo, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. Scourfell, Lieut.-Col. Baudridge, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Thoby, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Thomas Honyay, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Higgins, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Jaquier, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Smith, Teller,

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

Question put, "That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time."

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Bohan,
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Cun, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. Daniel, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. O'Brien, Teller, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Ley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Missingham, Mr. O'Brien, Teller,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Norman, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nkey, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Bentinck, Mr. Oaken, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Cocks, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Doo, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. Scourfell, Lieut.-Col. Baudridge, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Quirk, Teller,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Thoby, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Scully, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Thomas Honyay, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Higgins, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Jaquier, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Seion, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Smith, Teller,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Smith, Teller,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

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

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

On motion of Mr. Cocks, 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. Cocks, passed.

Mr. Cocks then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts," Question put and passed.

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

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th April, 1922, a.m.

26. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until Four o'clock This Day.

Question put and passed.

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

W. S. MOBLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ended 30th June, 1921.
Ordered to be printed.

Sir Thomas Henley laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Regulations in relation to Tolls under the River Murray Waters Act, 1915.
(2.) Regulations for the conduct of Elections for Suburban Members under the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1915.
(3.) By-laws relating to Leave of Absence for Employees under the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1893–1915.

VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF NEWCASTLE:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, on 13th February last, he had received a letter from the Honorable John Estell, resigning his seat as one of the Members for the Electoral District of Newcastle; that Parliament being in recess no steps had been taken under the Parliamentary Elections (Casual Vacancies) Act, 1920, to fill the vacancy.

URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:
(1.) Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that a Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers’ Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers’ Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes, be passed through all its remaining stages in one day.
Question put.
The House divided.


Mr. Baddeley, Mr. O’Hea.
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Birt, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Shelton.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Davidm, Mr. Wright.
Mr. William Davies, Tellers.
Mr. Charles Fitzpatrick, Mr. Gosling.
Mr. James Flannery, Mr. Murphy.
Mr. Greig.
Mr. Long.
Mr. Lazzarini.
Mr. Loughlin.
Mr. McClelland.
Mr. Gregory McGirr, Tellers.
Mr. James McGirr.
Mr. McKell.
Mr. MeTieman.
Mr. Molesworth.
Mr. D. Murray.
Mr. Match.
Mr. O’Brien.
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(2) Mr. Cocks moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902; the Ministers' Salaries Act, 1908; the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,"—being passed through all its remaining stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 46

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagshaw, Mr. Ball, Mr. Benson, Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Brutnell, Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Crambary, Mr. Dow, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Sir George Walker, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Graham, Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Japson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Law, Mr. Lee, Mr. Loy, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Massingham, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Neatby, Mr. Ness, Mr. Gates, Mr. Pedrison, Mr. Rowland, Mr. St. F. D. Walker, Mr. Walker, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Murray, Mr. Perdrian, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge, Dr. Stopford, Mr. A. Loughlin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr.0'Hearn, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Hill, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Conn, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Capt. Dean, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Planey, Mr. Gielgud, Mr. Greig, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lassaline, Mr. Longden, Mr. McGillivray, Mr. Gregory Nelms, Mr. McKell, Mr. McEwan, Mr. Murphy, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mattie, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran,

Noes, 30.

Mr. Beddall, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Birt, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Conn, Mr. Davidson, Capt. Dean, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Planey, Mr. Gielgud, Mr. Greig, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lassaline, Mr. Longden, Mr. McGillivray, Mr. Gregory Nelms, Mr. McKell, Mr. McEwan, Mr. Murphy, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mattie, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES BILL:—

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers' Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

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

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 reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers' Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

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

(2) Mr. Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers' Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Cocks moved, That the Bill be printed, and 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."
5. **Income Tax Bill**—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

**Message:**

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911, and certain other Acts,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

**Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 27th April, 1922.**

PRED. FLOWERS, President.
6. **Adjournment:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next at Four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at seven 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. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 MAY, 1922.

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

INCOME TAX BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for an increase of income tax; and for this purpose to amend the Income Tax Act, 1911; and certain other 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, 28th April, 1922.

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

(a) £100 from Vote "Item No. 309—Miscellaneous Services—Crushing Batteries" to Vote "Item No. 307—Miscellaneous Services—Ambulance Classes."

(b) £6,000 from Vote "Item No. 324—Grain Elevator—Contingencies" to Vote "Item 326—Stock and Brands—Contingencies."

(c) £4 3s. 8d. from Vote "Item 284—In aid of Educational Institutions, &c.," to Vote "Item 287—Schools of Arts Building Subsidies."

3. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS—DATE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES.—Pursuant to the requirement of the 9th Section of the Public Works Act, 1912, Mr. Speaker appointed Tuesday, the 16th day of May, 1922, as the date up to and including which he would receive nominations of Members of the Legislative Assembly for election and appointment as members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works; such nominations, made and signed by at least five members, to be delivered to the Clerk, together with the written consent of the Member nominated.
4. 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 Boggon, Esquire, Tom James Hoskins, Esquire,

The Hon. Walter Beament, Edward James Lecky, Esquire, K.C.,

John Edward Bird, Esquire, Edward Aloysius McTernan, Esquire,

David Henry Drummond, Esquire, Hugh Main, Esquire,

Mark Gulling, Esquire, beim, 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 second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

DANIEL LEVY,
"Speaker."

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

5. PAPERS.—

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Trustees of the National Art Gallery for 1921.

Ordered to be printed.

Sir Thomas Holley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the quarter ended 31st March, 1922.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for,—

(a) Mayfield Police Station.

(b) Maintaining Traffic on Railway between Lidcombe and Regent's Park by Additional Accommodation at Regent's Park.

(c) Maintaining Traffic on Railway between Sydney and Moree by provision of Water Supply at Werris Creek.

(d) Dubbo to Werris Creek Railway (2).

(e) Maintaining Traffic on Railway between Sydney and Wallangarra by provision of Overbridge near Honeysuckle Station.

(f) Maintaining Traffic between Temora and Griffith by Additional Watering Facilities at Borellan.

(g) Maintaining Traffic between Sydney and Wallangarra by Additional Accommodation at Essifern.

(h) Maintaining Traffic between Parramatta and Castle Hill by Additional Accommodation at Castle Hill.

(i) Maintaining Traffic between Tamworth and Narrabri by Additional Accommodation at Westdale.

(j) Maintaining Traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of Subway at Moriates.

(k) Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer.

(l) Canterbury, Campsie, Belmore and Bankstown Sewerage.

(m) Hunter District Water Supply (2).

(n) Manly Water Supply.

(o) Sydney Water Supply.

(p) Burringbar Dam.

(q) Berrigan Water Supply.

(r) Construction of a Weir across the Lachlan River, near Condobolin.

(s) Marowig Creek Water Trust.

(t) Berry Water Supply.

(u) Port Jackson Harbour Improvements.

(3.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Local Government Act, 1919, for,—

(a) Quarry within Tarre Shire.

(b) Public Road within the Municipality of Shellharbour.

(c) Recreation Reserve within Nepean Shire.

(d) Improving the condition of the Parramatta River Bed.

(e) Erecting Municipal Buildings at North Sydney.

(f) Town Planning within the Municipality of Randwick.

(g) Waitara Drainage.

(h) Improvement and Embellishment of the Municipality of Hunter's Hill.

(4.) Notifications of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 1912, in the Shire of Warringah:

(5.) Notifications of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Forestry Act, 1916, for the purposes of State Forest No. 60.
7. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES BILL:—

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

(1.) Regulations under the Registration of Stock Brands Act, 1921.
(2.) Amended Regulations under the Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912.
(3.) Regulations under the Dairy Industry Act, 1915.
(4.) Amended Regulations under the Pastures Protection Act, 1912.
(5.) Minute of the Public Service Board regarding the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. J. Turkington, Engineering Draftsman and Computer, Scaffolding and Lifts Branch of Department of Labour.
(6.) Punic Ancouxts Coen:mitt: :—Mr. Speaker informed the house that, according to Section 16 of the Audit Act, 1902, he had received from the Colonial Treasurer the nominations of,—

William Robert Fitzsimons, Esquire,
David More Anderson, Esquire,
Lieut.-Colonel Michael Frederick Brunner,
William John McKell, Esquire, and
John Thomas Long, Esquire,

for election and appointment as Members of the Public Accounts Committee, constituted under that Act, and it would be his duty to submit these names, one by one, in alphabetical order, to the House for decision by open voting, which he would do after Formal Business had been disposed of, on Tuesday next.

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 nominations of,—

John Thomas Lang, Esquire.

6. The Speaker continued:—

"No Member shall be entitled to vote in any division upon a question in which he has a direct pecuniary interest, and the vote of any Member so interested shall be disallowed." As I pointed out at the time, the correct course for the Honorable Gentleman to pursue, if he wished to raise this point, was to wait until the division was taken, and then move a substantive motion—that the votes of Honorable Members to which he objected be disallowed. However, I decided to deal with the question as soon as it was raised, because it affected all Honorable Members, and involved a matter of very great constitutional importance to the House. Honorable Members will recollect that I had no opportunity of fully considering my opinion at the time, and I ruled that, whilst Honorable Members were undoubtedly interested in the Bill in the ordinary acceptance of that term, they had not that direct personal interest in the measure which is contemplated in the Standing Orders, according to established Parliamentary usage and practice.

I gave no detailed reasons for my ruling, but I pointed out the absurdity which would ensue from such a construction of the words "direct pecuniary interest," as the Honorable Member Mr. McKell and the Honorable Member Mr. McTiernan, with great ability, argued should be placed upon them. It would involve a decision from the Chair that this Parliament has no power to pass a measure relating to the salaries of Honorable Members, and involved a matter of very great constitutional importance to the House. Honorables Members will recollect that I had no opportunity of fully considering my opinion at the time, and I ruled that, whilst Honorable Members were undoubtedly interested in the Bill in the ordinary acceptance of that term, they had not that direct personal interest in the measure which is contemplated in the Standing Orders, according to established Parliamentary usage and practice.

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Now the rule with regard to personal interest is a very old one. I find that in the year 1811—(Hansard, first series, volume 20, page 1011)—the rule was thus explained by Mr. Speaker Abbot in the House of Commons:—

"A personal interest in a question disqualifies a Member from voting, but this interest, it should be further understood, must be a direct pecuniary interest, and separately belonging to the persons whose votes are questioned, and not in common with His Majesty's subjects or on a matter of State policy."

In "May's" work on Parliamentary Practice (12th edition, pages 338 to 344) a large number of cases are referred to where this question has been discussed in the House of Commons; and it would be seen that where the votes of Members had been disallowed, it had been done for
It was replied that they looked upon the Bill as a general measure for reasons which do not in any way apply to the measure before the House. I do not accordingly, concerning their own pay is an exception from which no principle can properly be derived.

That was the opinion which I have already quoted from the English Parliament:—

"The merest must be of a direct character, as it was well explained on one occasion in a decision of Mr. Speaker Wallbridge in the Legislative Assembly of Canada. A division having taken place upon a Bill respecting permanent building societies in Upper Canada—which had been introduced by Mr. Street—Mr. Scatcherd raised the Point of Order that, under the rule of the House, the former had a direct pecuniary interest in the Bill, and could not consequently vote for the same. The Speaker said that the interest which disqualifies must be a direct pecuniary interest, separately belonging to the person whose vote is "questioned, and not in common with the rest of His Majesty’s subjects, and that in his opinion, as the Bill relates to building societies in general, the Member for Welland is not "precluded from voting. This decision is strictly in accordance with the principle laid down in all the English authorities, and is, in fact, a repetition of one given by Mr. Speaker Abbot, on a motion for disallowing the votes of the bank directors upon the Gold Coin Bill, which was negative without a division."

That was the opinion which I have already quoted from the English Parliament. Consequently the votes of Members on a Bill to amend an Act respecting the Civil List and salaries was questioned on this occasion."

That was in 1854. It was replied that they looked upon the Bill as a general measure appropriating a salary for the office and not for the individual; and on a division the House decided that they had a right to do so."

The case of Members voting on questions concerning their own pay is an exception from which no principle can properly be derived. It has invariably been decided in Congress of course that this was not such an interest as would disqualify; either because it was a state of necessity, or because all the Members were equally concerned in the interest."

I also refer to an American work—Cushing, on the Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies in the United States of America—on page 713, paragraphs 1838-9, as follows:

"Votes have also been disallowed after the numbers have been declared on the ground that the Members voting were interested in the question; and in reference to this proceeding there is no time limit within which it must take place. There seems to be a very little doubt as to whether it is a direct pecuniary interest or an interest of course that this was not such an interest as would disqualify; either because it was a state of necessity or because all the Members were equally concerned in the interest. Five leading cases have occurred in the British Parliament at different periods which embody the law on the subject and deserve to be mentioned accordingly."

The learned author then goes on to set forth at least three cases. I also desire to refer Honorable Members to a little work entitled "Manual of the Practice, Procedure, and Usage of the House of Assembly in the Province of South Australia," by E. G. Blackmore. At page 24 he refers to the matter as follows:

"Standing Order 200 provides that no Member shall be entitled to vote on a division upon a question in which he has a direct pecuniary interest, and the vote of any Member so "interested shall be disallowed. But it is obvious that if this rule were absolute and "unqualified the proceedings in the House would in certain cases be unduly fettered and "embarrassed, to the detriment of State policy. Accordingly, in the words of Mr. Speaker Abbot— "to which I have already alluded—the interest must be a direct pecuniary interest separately belonging to the persons whose votes were questioned, and not in common with the rest of His Majesty’s subjects or on a matter of State policy."

The learned author then goes on to quote occasions on which this matter was discussed both in the House of Commons and in various Colonial Legislatures. The same author has also compiled the decisions of Mr. Speaker Peel, from 1884 to 1895, and I desire to refer Honorable Members to pages 24 and 35 of that publication. I would also refer to the decisions of Mr. Speaker Lefevre, compiled by the Honorable Robert Burke, 2nd edition, pages 216 and 218.

I am clearly of opinion that the Bill now before the House is a matter of State policy within the meaning of the rule so clearly explained by Mr. Speaker Abbot and invariably followed in the House of Commons and in the Parliament of other parts of the British Dominions. For these reasons I hold that the disqualification from voting referred to in Standing Order 204 does not apply to the measure now under the consideration of the House.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
2nd May, 1922.

2. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES 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, 3 MAY, 1922, A.M.

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

Mr. Cocks moved, "That" the report be now adopted.

Mr. Murphy 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 6," instead thereof.

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

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lees,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Leckton,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Brooksbank, Mr. Nesbit,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Pendergrass,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Cocks, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Crounedy, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Do., Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Thorley,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Wilson,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Anthony Luke,
Mr. Hookins, Tellers,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Scott Fell,
Mr. Jago, Mr. Hill,
Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lattimer, Mr. Lanigan,
Mr. Ley, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Loxton, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Morrow, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Nesbit, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Oakes, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Pendergrass, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Perkins, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Rosenthal, Mr. Lang,
Lieut.-Col. Rutledge, Mr. Lang,
Dr. Stopford, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Thorley, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Anthony Luke, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Lang,

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, 43.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Brooksbank, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Nesbit,
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Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Thorley,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Wilson,
Sir Thomas Henley, Tellers,
Mr. Hookins, Mr. Anthony Luke,
Mr. Jackson, Tellers,
Mr. Jago, Mr. Scott Fell,
Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Hill,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Anthony Luke,
Mr. Lanigan, Mr. Anthony Luke,
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Question put. — That the report be now adopted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lane.
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Bain, Mr. Liston.
Mr. Beamish, Mr. Morrow.
Mr. Brunstfield, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Lient.-Col. Brunner, Mr. Neild.
Mr. Buttschaw, Mr. Oakes.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perdian.
Captain Chahey, Mr. Perkins.
Mr. Cooke, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Croomst, Lient.-Col. Rutledge.
Mr. Don, Dr. Stopford.
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Tinsley.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Walker.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wean.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver.
Mr. Groom, Mr. Wilson.
Sir Thomas Henley, Tellers.
Mr. Hill, Tellers.
Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Kilpatrick.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Ness.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Lass.

Mr. Ruddley, Mr. Mutch.
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Hean.
Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Davidsen, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Willimas Davies, Mr. Schul.
Captain Dunn, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Flannery, Tellers.
Mr. Gosling, Mr. Arkins.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Molesworth.
Mr. Lang, Tellers.
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McCalland.
Mr. James Mcઈgirr, Mr. McColl.
Mr. McKeI, Mr. McTearmark.
Mr. Mungan, Mr. McFarland.
Mr. Murphy, Tellers.
Mr. D. Murray, Tellers.

Mr. Cameron, Mr. Kilpatrick.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Bain, Mr. Liston.
Mr. Beamish, Mr. Morrow.
Lient.-Col. Brunner, Mr. Oakes.
Mr. Buttschaw, Mr. Perdian.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins.
Captain Chahey, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Cooke, Lient.-Col. Rutledge.
Mr. Comty, Dr. Stopford.
Mr. Don, Mr. Thorby.
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Walker.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Weaver.
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Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Tellers.
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Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Hean.
Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Davidsen, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Captain Dunn, Mr. Wright.
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Mr. Fitzgerald, Tellers.
Mr. Gosling, Mr. Arkins.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. McFarland.
Mr. Murphy, Tellers.
Mr. D. Murray, Tellers.

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

Question put. — That the Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane.
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Bain, Mr. Liston.
Mr. Beamish, Mr. Morrow.
Lient.-Col. Brunner, Mr. Oakes.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perdian.
Captain Chahey, Mr. Perkins.
Mr. Cooke, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Comty, Dr. Stopford.
Mr. Don, Mr. Thorby.
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Walker.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Walker.
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Tellers.
Mr. Hawkins, Tellers.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Goldstein.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Lass.

Mr. Ruddley, Mr. Mutch.
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Hean.
Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Davidsen, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Captain Dunn, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Fitzgerald, Tellers.
Mr. Gosling, Mr. Arkins.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Molesworth.
Mr. Murphy, Tellers.
Mr. D. Murray, Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Cocks moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put. — That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. D. Murray.
Mr. Ruddley, Mr. Mutch.
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Hean.
Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Davidsen, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
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Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Hean.
Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
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Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Davidsen, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Captain Dunn, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Fitzgerald, Tellers.
Mr. Gosling, Mr. James Mcईgirr.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. McTearmark.
Mr. Murphy, Tellers.
Mr. D. Murray, Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Cocks moved, That the Bill do now pass.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ley moved, That Mr. Molesworth, one of the Honorable Members for Cumberland, be not further heard.

Question put. —
The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Arkie, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Beaven, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bonwell, Mr. Neve,
Mr. Barlow, Mr. Oakas,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins,
Capt. Challicy, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Cocks, Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Crompton, Mr. Thoby,
Mr. Day, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Scott Pell, Mr. Weare,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Goldstein, Sir Thomas Henley,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Fitzsimmons,
Mr. Jackson, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Kilpatrick.

Noes, 32.

Mr. Baddley, Mr. Match,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. George Cavan, Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. John Connell, Mr. Quit,
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Scully,
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Skelton,
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Gosling,
Mr. Greig,
Mr. Kegan, Mr. McCelland,
Mr. Lang, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Longhill,
Mr. James McNair,
Mr. McKeel,
Mr. McTear,
Mr. McNab,
Mr. Molanworth,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate continued.

Mr. Minahan moved, That Mr. Flannery, one of the Honourable Members for Murrumbidge, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Arkie, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Beaven, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bonwell, Mr. Neve,
Mr. Barlow, Mr. Oakas,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins,
Capt. Challicy, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Cocks, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Crompton, Mr. Thoby,
Mr. Day, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Scott Pell, Mr. Weare,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Goldstein, Sir Thomas Henley,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Fitzsimmons,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Kilpatrick.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Baddley, Mr. Quick,
Mr. George Cavan, Mr. Buttle,
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Scully,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Skelton,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Greig, Mr. Wright,
Mr. J. McNair,
Mr. McCelland,
Mr. McKeel,
Mr. McNab,
Mr. Molanworth,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jaques,
Mr. Arkie, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Beaven, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Benwell, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bonwell, Mr. Neve,
Mr. Barlow, Mr. Oakas,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins,
Capt. Challicy, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Cocks, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Crompton, Mr. Thoby,
Mr. Day, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Scott Pell, Mr. Weare,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Goldstein, Teller,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Fitzsimmons,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Kilpatrick.

Noes, 32.

Mr. Baddley, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Birt, Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Quit,
Mr. George Cavan, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Scully,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Skelton,
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Gosling,
Mr. Greig,
Mr. Kegan, Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Lang, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Longhill,
Mr. James McNair,
Mr. McKeel,
Mr. McNab,
Mr. Molanworth,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,

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

2nd May, 1922.

Question put,—That the Bill do now pass.
The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Loo,
Mr. Davin, Mr. Lea,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Lexton,
Mr. Bunteswell, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Buttenmaw, Mr. Nositt,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes,
Captain Chafey, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Cooks, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Cromarty, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Stopford,
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Thorley,
Mr. Fitzimmons, Mr. Walker,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Warne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson,
Sir Thomas Henley, Tellers,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Hookins, Mr. Goodall,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. James McGirr,
Mr. Jacques, Captain Chafey,
Mr. Arbuckle, Tellers,
9. ADJOURNMENT—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

The House divided.

Mr. Batley, Mr. Birt, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Davison, Mr. William Davies, Captain Dunn, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Plomer, Mr. Gostling, Mr. Greig, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McColland, Mr. James McColl, Mr. McKell, Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Minahan, Mr. Molyneux, Mr. Murphy, Mr. D. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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New South Wales.

No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 MAY, 1922.

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

Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries 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 reduce the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown, and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Ministers' Salaries Act, 1908, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Representatives Allowance and Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Act, 1920, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 3rd May, 1922.

FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

2. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

W S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
PROCLAMATION

NEW SOUTH WALES,

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

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being "An Act to Consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution," it is amongst other things enacted that the Governor of New South Wales may prorogue the Legislative Council and Legislative 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 the sixth day of June next, and the same stand so prorogued accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and in the thirteenth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

GEORGE W. FULLER.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
QUESTIONs:—

1. MR. CROMARTY to ask THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS,—
   (1.) By whose authority was the sum of £68,000, voted by Parliament for the electrification of the Newcastle Tramways, diverted from that purpose?
   (2.) To what work was it subsequently allocated?

2. MR. VINCENT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
   (1.) Is it a fact that the exacting policy now being pursued by the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Board towards soldier settlers is causing them hardship and embarrassment, and forcing a number to forfeit their blocks?
   (2.) If so, will he take immediate steps to prevent soldier settlers from being unduly harassed, and in view of the time of stress through which soldier settlers have passed, and are still passing, will he also extend to them reasonable latitude in regard to loan repayments?
   (3.) Further, will he cause an investigation to be made into the conditions affecting soldier settlements with a view to granting compensation in certain cases, and making the terms with regard to loan repayments possible to comply with?

3. MR. VINCENT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
   (1.) It is a fact that prior to the dissolving of the late Parliament the Dorrigo-Guyra railway proposal was referred to the Public Works Committee for report?
   (2.) If so, will he give early effect to the late Parliament's decision in respect of this matter?

4. MR. VINCENT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
   (1.) Is it a fact that considerable unemployment exists in North Coast districts?
   (2.) If so, will he take immediate steps to relieve that unemployment, and allocate the distress which is due to it by making further sums of money available for work on the uncompleted sections of the North Coast railway?

5. MR. O'HEARN to ask THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH,—
   Has he come to any decision yet in connection with the question of a more efficient system of milk distribution for the city of Sydney?

6. MR. MURPHY to ask THE PREMIER,—
   Can he state definitely whether the Government has decided to proceed with the construction of the North Shore bridge?

7. MR. DAVIDSON to ask THE PREMIER,—
   (1.) Is it a fact that there are a number of men in Broken Hill, who have worked in and about the mines for a number of years, and who have been withdrawn from the mines owing to the Technical Health Commission, which was appointed by the Government, refusing to give them a clean bill of health?
   (2.) Is it a fact that owing to the definition of a "mine worker" for the purpose of the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920, that there are a number of these men with wives and families who have not been provided with compensation under that Act, or otherwise?
   (3.) Is it a fact that these men have been deprived of their right to work at their usual occupation without having received compensation?
   (4.) Is it a fact that when the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920, was being passed by the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales a promise was then made by the Government that these men would be compensated?
   (5.) Is it a fact that notwithstanding this Act has been in operation for two years no definite compensation has been provided for these men, and their wives and families, and that they are practically left destitute?
   (6.) Will he cause compensation to be made available to these men and their families as early as possible?
8. Mr. Murphy to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
Will he refer the Freshwater tramway proposal to the Public Works Committee without delay?

9. Mr. Davidson to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Is it a fact that an agreement had been arrived at some time ago, between the Government of New South Wales and Victoria, for the construction of a bridge over the Murray River, at Tooleybuc?  
(2.) Has a tender been accepted for the construction of this bridge; or is it the intention of the Government to build the bridge by day labour?  
(3.) Will he inform the House what progress has been made towards the construction of the bridge, and when he anticipates the bridge being completed?

10. Mr. Gosling to ask The Premier,—
In view of the fact that the Government have given proof of their intention to redeem their pre-election pledges, as shown by the vote on the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Bill, will he inform the House whether it is his intention to carry out his promise that wages and salaries of Government employees will not be reduced?

11. Mr. Walker to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
In view of the promises of two preceding Ministers for Works that the railway to Kurrajong would be gone on with immediately, will he have placed on the Estimates a sufficient sum to enable this necessary work to be proceeded with without further delay?

12. Lt.-Col. Rutledge to ask The Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Railways,—
Is it his intention to make provision on the Estimates for the construction of the trucking yard at South Goulburn?

13. Lt.-Col. Rutledge to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
In view of the promises of two preceding Ministers for Works that the railway to Kurrajong would be gone on with immediately, will he have placed on the Estimates a sufficient sum to enable this necessary work to be proceeded with without further delay?

14. Mr. Skelton to ask The Assistant Minister for Lands,—
In view of the serious financial position of many of the soldier settlers, will he say if provision is made to prevent the sale, for debt, of any lands held by such soldier settlers; and if not, will he take immediate steps to provide against any such enforced sale pending the promised general inquiry into the soldiers' settlement scheme?

15. Mr. Skelton to ask The Minister of Justice,—
(1.) Are all appointments and dismissals of temporary officers of the professional division of the public service made by the Public Service Board?  
(2.) What length of notice is given to a temporary officer on termination of his services?  
(3.) Is an officer with a good record liable to be put off at a day's notice, owing to reasons other than offences, such as slackness of work?

**Business of the House—Order of the Day:**

1. Public Accounts Committee; Election of Members.

**Order of the Day:**

1. Ways and means; resumption of the Committee [Mr. Cooks].
### ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS IN DIVISIONS AND COUNT-OUTS,
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W. S. MOBLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
### BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES DURING THE FIRST SESSION OF 1922.

1. New Writs issued

2. Select Committees:
   - On Public Matters
   - On Private Matters
   - On Private Bills

3. Standing Committees

4. Public Bills:
   - Originated in the Assembly
     - Received the Royal Assent: 2
     - Otherwise disposed of: 1
   - Brought from the Council
     - Received the Royal Assent: ...
     - Otherwise disposed of: ...

5. Private Bills:
   - Originated in the Assembly
     - Received the Royal Assent: ...
     - Otherwise disposed of: ...
   - Brought from the Council
     - Received the Royal Assent: ...
     - Otherwise disposed of: ...

6. Petitions received:
   - Printed: ...
   - Not Printed: ...

7. Divisions:
   - In the House: 21
   - In Committee of the Whole: 25

8. Sittings (for details see paragraph 15, page 2):
   - Days of Meeting: ...
   - Hours of Siting: 11 hrs. 7 m.
   - Daily Average: 34 hrs. 27 m.

9. Votes and Proceedings:
   - Entries in Votes and Proceedings:
     - Of Business done: 43
     - Daily Average: 11
   - Entries in Question Paper:
     - Of Questions answered: 1
     - Daily Average: ...
   - Entries in Notice Paper:
     - Of Questions: 21
     - Of Notices of Motion: 6
     - Of Orders of the Day: 6
     - Daily Average: 17

10. Contingent Notice Papers

11. Orders for Papers

12. Addresses for Papers

13. Other Addresses

14. Papers laid upon the Table:
   - By Message: 6
   - By Command: 70
   - In Returns to Orders: ...
   - In Returns to Addresses: ...
   - Reports from Standing and Select Committees: ...
   - Ordered to be Printed: 25
   - Not ordered to be Printed: 51

*Printing Committee not appointed.*
15. **Sittings of the House:**

Return of the number of days on which the House sat in the Session of 1922, stating, for each day, the date of the month and the day of the week, the hour of the meeting and the hour of adjournment, and the total number of hours occupied in the sittings of the House and the average time; and showing the total number of hours on which the House sat each day, and the number of hours after midnight, and the number of entries in each day's Votes and Proceedings:

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Average length of sitting daily, 11 hours 7 minutes.

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### 1922.
(FIRST SESSION.)

#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

**REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE FIRST SESSION OF 1922.**

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**Remarks :**
- Standing Orders suspended—Urgency— as far as first reading—20 April, 1922.
- Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—all its remaining stages—27 April, 1922.
- Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—as far as first reading—28 April, 1922.
- Points of Order: That members were precluded from voting upon a question in which they had a direct pecuniary interest; overruled by Mr. Speaker, 27 April, 1922. Further remarks by Mr. Speaker, 2 May, 1922.

Legislative Assembly Office, Sydney, 9 May, 1922.

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