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TUESDAY, 9 MAY, 1854.

1. The Council standing Prorogued to this day, and a Quorum of Members being assembl'd in the House, the Speaker took the Chair at twelve o'clock, and acquainted the Council that, although the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 2nd day of March last, further proroguing the Council to this day, did not contain the usual notice that the Council was to meet to-day "for dispatch of "Business,"—yet, as no subsequent Proclamation further proroguing the Council had issued, he had, at a late hour of the afternoon of yesterday, in the fulfilment of what he apprehended to be his duty under the circumstances, caused a Circular to be addressed to the Members of the House intimating to them that he would take the Chair to-day at twelve o'clock at noon, under and by virtue of the said Proclamation,— which he then called upon the Clerk to read;—

And which the Clerk accordingly read as follows:—

"PROCLAMATION.

"By His Excellency Sir CHARLES AUGUSTUS FITZ ROY, Knight Com-
panion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor General
of all Her Majesty's Australian Possessions, and Captain General and
Governor in Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its
Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

"WHEREAS the Legislative Council of New South Wales now stands pro-
rogued to Tuesday the twenty-first day of March instant, and it is expedient
"further to prorogue the same: Now, therefore, I, Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy,
"Knight Companion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, in pursuance of the
"power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said Colony, do hereby
"further prorogue the said Legislative Council to Tuesday, the ninth day of May
"now next ensuing.

"Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney,
"this second day of March, in the year of Our Lord One
"thousand eight hundred and fifty-four; and in the seven-
"teenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

"(s.1.)
"G[R] A. FITZ ROY.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"C. D. RIDDELL.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

2. New Members Sworn:

(1.) John Stirling, Esquire, having taken the Oath, took his seat as a non-elective
Member, in room of the Honorable Edward Dews-Thomson, Esquire, resigned.

(2.) Henry Parkes, Esquire, having taken the Oath, and handed to the Clerk at the
Table the following Declaration of Qualification, took his seat as one of the Members
for the Electoral District of the City of Sydney, in room of William Charles
Wentworth, Esquire, resigned:

"I, Henry Parkes, do declare and testify, That I am duly seized at Law or in
Equity of an Estate of freehold for my own use and benefit, in lands or
Tenements in the Colony of New South Wales, of the clear yearly value
of one hundred pounds sterling over and above all charges and incum-
brances affecting the same; that is to say, certain messuages and tenements
situate in Crown-street, in the parish of Alexandria, in the City of
Sydney, and County of Cumberland; and that I have not collusively or
colorably obtained a title to, or become possessed of, the said lands and
tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling
me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council of New South
Wales.—Dated this ninth day of May, in the year One thousand eight
hundred and fifty-four."

HENRY PARKES.
(3.) Daniel Egan, Esquire, having taken the Oath and handed to the Clerk at the Table the following Declaration of Qualification, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of the Pastoral Districts of Meneroo, in room of Arthur Jeffreys, Esquire, resigned:—

"I, Daniel Egan, do declare and testify, That I am duly seized at Law or in Equity of an Estate in freehold, for my own use and benefit, in lands or tenements in the Colony of New South Wales, of the annual value of upwards of one hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances afecting the same, situate in Campbell-street, in the City of Sydney, in the county of Cumberland, now in the occupation of John McIntosh, as tenant to me: And that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to, or become possessed of the said lands and tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales.—Dated this 9th day of May, 1834."

DAN. EGAN.

3. Adjournment:—The Colonial Secretary acquainted the Council that in consequence of the unexpected protection of the absence from Sydney of His Excellency the Governor General, who had expected to have returned, at farthest, by the end of April last, there was no regular authority either for opening the Session in the accustomed manner or for further proroguing the Council, and that he should therefore move, and accordingly moved, that this Council, at its rising this day, do adjourn to this day "four weeks." Whereupon Mr. Martin moved, as an amendment, That the words "four weeks" be omitted with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "fortnight, at three "o'clock."

Debate ceased.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question by leave withdrawn.

Whereupon the Colonial Secretary moved, That this Council, at its rising this day, do adjourn to this day week at Three o'clock.

Question put and passed.

4. Dispatch of Business:—Mr. Martin moved, That until otherwise ordered, this Council do meet at Three o'clock on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week.

Question put and passed.

Council adjourned at One o'clock until Tuesday next at Three o'clock.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 16 MAY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair;—
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY Message No. 1.

The Governor General in announcing to the Legislative Council that he deems it expedient to prorogue the Council to Tuesday the sixth of June now next, desires to express his regret that any inconvenience to the Members and anxiety to the public mind should have been occasioned by his unexpected inability to return from his visit to the Northern Settlements before the day to which the Council lately stood prorogued. His Excellency’s movements were regulated with a view to his return by the first of the present month; but they were impeded by circumstances entirely beyond his control.

2. The Governor General would gladly have availed himself of an earlier time for receiving the advice and assistance of the Legislative Council if he had seen grounds for participating in the anxiety which is stated to prevail on the subject of the Defences of the Port and City of Sydney; but His Excellency has great pleasure in stating that he is satisfied, from the most authentic sources of information within his reach, that no immediate occasion for alarm exists.

3. From this information it would appear that the accounts which have reached the Colony with respect to the strength of the Russian Naval force in the East Indian Seas have been much exaggerated—as will be seen by the annexed Return of the English, French, and Russian Squadrons in the China Seas.

4. It has not been in the Governor General’s power to obtain such authentic intelligence regarding the Russian Naval force in the Pacific; but he has reason to believe that only one ship of War belonging to that Nation is stationed there; while it is well known that the British and French Squadrons in that vicinity are of considerable strength.

5. Under these circumstances the Governor General does not deem it expedient to convene the Council for the dispatch of business without giving the usual time for preparation, and for the assembling of Members from the Country. Meanwhile His Excellency will cause the Works of Defence already commenced to be prosecuted with vigour,—and will secure the continued presence of one of Her Majesty’s Ships of War.

Government House
Sydney 10th May, 1854.

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This does not include the ships on the Australian Division of the Station.
2. Prorogation:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Proclamation for the prorogation of the Council, which, by order of the Speaker, the Clerk read as follows:—

"PROCLAMATION.

"By His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, Knight Com-
"panion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor General
"of all Her Majesty's Australian Possessions, and Captain General and
"Governor in Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its
"Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

"In pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the
"said Colony, I, Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, the Governor General and
"Governor-in-Chief, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the Legislative Council of
"the said Colony to Tuesday, the sixth day of June next ensuing; and I do hereby
"announce and proclaim, that the said Council shall assemble for the dispatch of
"business on the aforesaid sixth day of June next, at Twelve o'clock at noon, in
"the Council Chamber, situating Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney; and the
"Members of the said Legislative Council are hereby required to give their attend-
"ance at the said time and place accordingly.

"Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney,
"this sixteenth day of May, in the year of Our Lord One
"thousand eight hundred and fifty-four; and in the seven-
"teenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

"(L.s.) CHB A. FITZ ROY.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"C. D. RIDDELL.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

The Speaker then left the Chair;—the Council standing prorogued accordingly to
Tuesday the sixth day of June next, at Twelve o'clock at noon.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
TUESDAY, 6 JUNE, 1854.

1. The Council having met, pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 10th day of May, 1854, the Clerk read the said Proclamation, by order of the Speaker.

2. Governor General's Opening Speech; His Excellency the Governor General having been announced by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and conducted to his Seat by the Speaker, read the following Speech:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

You are called together at the present period under circumstances calculated to lend more than ordinary interest to your deliberations. For the first time in the history of this Colony the Legislature has to contemplate the possible contingency of warfare; and although we may yet hope that this contingency may not arise or may afford but slight grounds for anxiety respecting the security of this remote portion of the British Empire, I deem it my first duty to apprise you of the works in progress and the measures in contemplation for the defence of this Colony.

I am enabled to state from my own recent personal inspection, that the works which were commenced some months since for the defence of the City of Sydney are in a satisfactory state of progress; so that if it shall not have pleased the Almighty to avert the war which seemed to menace the world at the date of the last intelligence from Europe, I have every confidence that with the efficient aid which would be afforded by the Naval Force in the Harbour, we possess ample means for repelling any attack that may be attempted by a hostile force; while the vigour of the Commanders of the combined English and French Naval Forces on the Indian and Pacific Stations, under the instructions of their respective Governments, is an adequate security that should a more serious attack be meditated by the Enemy it will be easily frustrated.

I will at once submit to you a Report of the Progress which has been made towards the completion of the Batteries at the Middle Head, and a statement of the other works that are projected for the more effectual fortification of the Harbour, together with a Return of the Arms, Ammunition, and Military Stores now in the possession of the Government, and all the other Documents which may be necessary to enable you to form a correct judgment on the subject of our Defences. I need hardly assure you that any additional precautionary measures which, after mature deliberation, you may deem it proper to suggest, shall receive my immediate and attentive consideration.

I will also submit to you copies of the only communication I have as yet received from Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the then impending war, and of the correspondence which has passed between myself and the Senior Naval Officer on this station, respecting the assistance that could be rendered by Her Majesty's vessels of war should any emergency arise.

I will immediately lay before you a Bill having for its object the formation of a Volunteer Corps, Naval as well as Military, for the defence of the Country. Should this Bill meet with your concurrence I shall lose no time in carrying its provisions into operation in so far as they may be dependent upon me; and I feel confident that the loyal and manly spirit which animates the people of this Country, in common with their fellow-countrymen in the United Kingdom, will induce more than a sufficient number to tender their services for the protection of their country and their homes. In this confidence I abstain at present from proposing the formation of a body of Militia, or the raising of any more regular Forces.

You will, I am sure, see fit to place at my disposal sufficient means for the purposes I have adverted to; and I will guarantee that neither zeal nor energy shall be wanting, on my part, to effect the objects for which they may be granted.

I have much pleasure in informing you that the Public Finances continue in a highly prosperous state. The usual statements of Receipts and Expenditure, as well as the Estimates for the ensuing year, will be submitted at an early date.

I shall have occasion to speak before you several Despatches which I have received from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of Immigration. For reasons adverted to in these Despatches, it was to be feared that the self-supporting system of Immigration contemplated in the Act passed by you during the Session of 1852, might not be brought into immediate operation. In that event, and to obviate as far as possible the inconvenience and loss which might result...
result to the Colony from even a temporary interruption of its much-needed supply of labour, the Land and Emigration Commissioners, under the sanction of the Governor, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, had taken the necessary steps for the expending the funds now at their disposal, in sending out Immigrants under the ordinary Regulations which the Act in question was intended to supersede. I cannot doubt that the discretion thus exercised will meet with your entire approval, and it will afford me much gratification if I can convey to you in any further measures calculated to facilitate the introduction into this Colony of a more enlarged stream of Immigration.

9. The great importance of establishing Railway communication, and the prospect of the early completion of the line to Parramatta will, I am confident, recommend to your favorable consideration an application which I shall have to submit to you from the Sydney Railway Company for further assistance from the Government, by way of an additional Loan and of a Guarantee of Interest on an extension of Capital.

10. The duty of the Government to make provision for promoting the public health, convenience, and comfort, is so strongly impressed upon me, that I deem it my duty to propose measures having that object in correspondence with Acts which have been recently passed by the British Parliament. I shall therefore lay before you Bills founded upon these Acts, "For promoting the Public Health" and "for the Regulation of Common Lodging Houses".

11. The risk of conflagration to which this City is exposed, by reason of defective laws for the regulation of buildings and the provision of fire, and from the absence of an efficient Fire Brigade, has occupied my attention and demands prompt measure on your part. Hitherto the City has, under Providence, enjoyed an unusual degree of exemption from calamitous fires, but it would be most unwise to calculate upon a continuance of such exemption, unless more careful and stringent building regulations are adopted, and more efficient arrangements for fire fighting are provided and granted for extinguishing or preventing the extension of fires when they may unhappily occur;—I shall, therefore, have to submit to you a Bill for effecting these objects.

12. Her Majesty having been pleased to sanction the establishment in this Colony of a Branch of the Royal Mint, as prayed for in your Address of the 19th December, 1851, a small detachment of Sappers and Miners, under a competent Superintendent, has been sent out for the purpose of erecting the necessary Buildings and Machinery. Plans and Estimates will be laid before you, both for the erection of entirely new buildings, and for the alternative of converting existing buildings to the purposes of the Mint. The detachment of Sappers and Miners has, in the mean time, been most advantageously employed on the Harbour Defences.

13. In addition to the large Estimate which will be proposed for purposes of Education, I recommend to your favorable notice a proposition which will be submitted to you for the granting of certain sums in aid of the establishment of Colleges of Residence, to be affiliated to the University of Sydney. This latter Institution has already experienced a large share of your liberality, and I do not doubt you will regard the successful establishment of affiliated Colleges as of the highest importance in the cause of Education in this Colony.

14. The temporary Act passed in the year 1852, for regulating the management of the Gold Fields, will, together with the amending Act passed during your last Session, expire with the current year. A Bill will be laid before you for making permanent the Law as now existing under those Acts.

15. The uncertainty which is stated to exist as to the law of Marriage within the Colony, and the complexity of the existing Legislative provisions applicable to different denominations, appear to me to call for the early enactment of a general measure for placing this branch of the Law upon a more satisfactory footing. I therefore recommend to you the resumption of your deliberations upon this subject, and I confidently hope that you may be able, during the present Session, to agree upon a Bill having this most important effect.

16. My recent visit to the Northern Districts of the Colony has been of material assistance to me in forming an opinion of their value and importance, and I shall be prepared to submit to you for your consideration, in the course of the Session, certain measures calculated to increase their trade and develop their resources. The New Settlement of Port Curtis promises to be, at no distant day, of great value to this Colony, on account of the excellence of its harbour, its genial climate, and the fertility of its soil.

17. Any further measures which I may have occasion to submit to you, will be communicated in the usual form by Message.

18. In the mean time I take this opportunity of expressing my anxious desire to cooperate with you in promoting, to the utmost of my ability, the best interests of the Colony, in the same spirit of cordiality which has happily characterized my intercourse with yourselves and your predecessors during the whole period of my administration of the government.

CIIA. A. FITZ ROY.

6th June, 1854.

His Excellency the Governor General having been conducted to the Door by the Speaker, the Council adjourned at half-past Twelve o'clock, until Three o'clock.
3. Address in reply to the Governor General's Opening Speech;—the Council having resumed, the Speaker read the copy of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on opening the Session;—

Mr. MacLeay then moved,—

(1) "That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on opening the Session.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, the Solicitor General, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Allen, Mr. Darwall, and Mr. Morris.

Mr. Campbell moved, as an Amendment, That all the words following the word "That," as the commencement be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the further consideration of the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on opening the Session be postponed until it shall have been printed, to-morrow."

Debate ensued.

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

Whereupon Question,—(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on opening the Session—put and passed.

Question,—(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, the Solicitor General, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Allen, Mr. Darwall, and Mr. Morris—put and passed.

Mr. MacLeay having brought up the Address in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on opening the Session, as prepared by the Committee, the same was, by order of the Speaker, read by the Clerk, as follows:—

"To His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus FitzRoy, Knight Companion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor General of all His Majesty's Australian Possessions, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

"We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, in Council assembled, desire to express to Your Excellency our affection and loyalty to the Person and Government of our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to offer our respectful thanks for Your Excellency's speech to this Council.

"2. It is satisfactory to us to learn that the Works commenced some months since for the defence of Sydney are in such a state of progress that, with the aid of the Naval Force in the Harbour, we may rely upon being able to repel any predatory attack that may be attempted by Privateers or Armed Vessels sailing under a hostile flag; and that in the event of a more serious attack being undertaken, we have strong grounds for believing that it will be frustrated by the vigilance of the French and British Naval Forces now on the Pacific and Indian Stations.

"3. We shall gladly co-operate with Your Excellency in any further measures that may be necessary for placing the country in an efficient state of defence.

"4. We shall carefully consider the Bill for the formation of Volunteer Corps, Naval as well as Military; and we join Your Excellency in the confidence which we have expressed in the loyalty and spirit of the people of this Colony. We feel assured that when called upon to act they will worthily vindicate the character, and emulate the courage, of the great race from which they have sprung.

"5. We have much satisfaction in learning that the public finances of the country continue in a prosperous state.

"6. The important subjects of Immigration and Railway communication will meet with our most prompt and careful attention.

"7. We shall deem it our duty to bring under immediate consideration the general subject of road communication.

"8. It is with unfeigned satisfaction that we find that your Excellency is prepared to take active measures for promoting the public health, convenience, and comfort. We know of no subject more deeply interwoven with the best interests of the community, or more deserving the most anxious attention of the Government and the Legislature.

"9. We concur with Your Excellency in believing that additional provision should be made for protecting the City of Sydney from fire.

"10. The remaining subjects adverted to in your Excellency's Address will receive our careful and attentive consideration.

"11. We confidently hope that the harmony which has hitherto subsisted between your Excellency and this Council, and the spirit of cordiality which has happily characterised our intercourse will continue to the end of your Excellency's administration."

Legislative Council Chamber; 8th June, 1854.

Mr. MacLeay then moved, That the Address, as read by the Clerk, be adopted as the reply of this Council to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on Opening the Session. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed. The
The Colonial Secretary then said that, in anticipation of the proceedings of the
Council, he had ascertained it to be the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor
General to receive their Address in reply to His Excellency's Speech on Opening the
Session, at Government House, on Thursday next, at half-past Two o'clock.

Committee of Elections and Qualifications.—Pursuant to the provision of the Electoral
Act of 1851, the Speaker laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing
the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session of the Legis-
lative Council:

By Sir Charles Nicholson, Knight, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legis-
lative Council of New South Wales.

"Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in the Speaker of the Legislative
Council of New South Wales, by the Electoral Act of 1851, I, Sir Charles
Nicholson, Knight, as Speaker of the Legislative Council aforesaid, do hereby
appoint

"George Allen,
"James William Bligh,
"James Chisholm,
"Phillip Parker King,
"James Macarthur,
"William Montagu Manning, and
"John Bayley Darrell, Esquires,

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

"Given under my Hand at the Legislative Council Chamber, Macquarie-
street, Sydney, this sixth day of June, in the year of Our Lord
"One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

"CHARLES NICHOLSON,
"Speaker."

Council adjourned at half-past Four o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That Henry Watson Parker, Esquire; be Chair-
man of Committees of the whole Council, during the present Session.
2. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and
Friday in each week, be the days on which this Council shall meet for the dispatch
of business.
3. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week,
Government business shall take precedence of all other business.
4. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the
present Session, consist of the following Members, viz. —The Speaker, the Attorney
General, Mr. Parker, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Efrayd, and Mr. Martin.
5. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That the Library Committee for the present
Session, consist of the following Members, viz. —The Speaker, the Attorney
General, Mr. Parker, Mr. James Macarthur, Captain King, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Murray, Mr.
Holroyd, and Mr. Martin.
6. MR. NICHOLS to move, That the Select Committee appointed last Session to take into
consideration the claim of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, be re-
appointed;—such Committee consisting of Mr. Dobie, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, the
Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Allen, Mr. Barker, and the mover.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8.

MEMO.—The Council meet at half-past Two o'clock to-day, to proceed to Government House,
there to present to His Excellency the Governor General their Address in reply to the
Speech of His Excellency on opening the Session.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. MR. HOLROYD to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor
General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon
the Table of this House, a Return of the number of licences that have been issued to Pawn-
brokers annually in the City of Sydney, since the 10th of October, 1849;—together with
the names of the persons to whom such licences have been issued.

(2)
2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the Depositions of the Witnesses and finding of the Jury in an Inquisition taken at Sutton Forest, on the 22nd of March last, before James Jerome Higgins, Coroner, on view of the body of Isabella Osborne; and also copies of all Warrants, Orders, or Letters written to the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Sutton Forest, or any other Minister of Religion, in reference to the interment of the said Isabella Osborne.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1.) A Return of all sums of money sent by the Local Government to the Emigration Commissioners in London since the 26th day of December, 1853, showing the balance in the hands of the Commissioners at that date.
   (2.) A Return of the vessels sent out to this Colony by the Emigration Commissioners under the Act 16 Vic., No. 42; stating the name of each vessel, the dates of departure from the ports in Great Britain, the dates of arrival here, the number of Immigrants in each vessel, and their classes and ages.
   (3.) A Copy of all Correspondence between the Local Government and the Emigration Commissioners in London, in reference to Immigration under the 16 Vic., No. 42, since the papers laid upon the Table of this House on the 3rd day of August last.

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Tuesday, June 13.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1.) A Nominal Return of all persons who have been appointed to any office or place in the Department of the Shipping Master, in pursuance of the provisions of the Water Police Regulation Act, 17 Victoria, No. 96, with the amount of Salaries paid to all such persons.
   (2.) A Return of the Number of Seamen shipped in the Port of Sydney, from the 1st day of January last to the 31st day of May inclusive; and also of the Number of Seamen discharged during the same period.
   (3.) A Return of all Fees or Sums of Money received in the Shipping Master’s Department, for the shipping and discharge of Seamen, and for the preparation of Ships’ Articles, or otherwise, during the same period.
   (4.) A Return of all Seamen apprehended for desertion, or for being absent from duty, or otherwise dealt with at the Water Police Office.
   (5.) A Return of all Licenses granted to Shipping Agents to ship Seamen.
   (6.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to any appointments made under the said Act 17 Victoria, No. 96.
   (7.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to the Licensing of Shipping Agents under section 13 of the said Act.
   (8.) Copy of all Correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce, relative to the above; and Copies of the opinions given by the Law Officers of the Crown, or either of them, with reference thereto.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Martin, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, Mr. Tiberlow, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Morewether, Mr. James Macarthur, and Mr. Nichols, appointed last Session to inquire into and report upon the propriety of recommending to His Excellency the Governor General the reservation of certain unappropriated lands in and near the City of Sydney, as places to be set apart for the public recreation of the Inhabitants of Sydney and its suburbs, be re-appointed.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Russell, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Flood, appointed last Session, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of placing the construction, management, and control of the public works and buildings of the Colony, under a Board of Public Works, be re-appointed.

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Tuesday, June 20.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council 16 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Indenting of Assisted Emigrants.

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Tuesday, June 27.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker
No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 7 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers—

(1.) Report from Colonel Barney on the Progress made on the Defences of Port Jackson.

(2.) Return of Armes and Accoutrements in the Ordnance and Colonial Stores.

(3.) Return of Ordnance, Carriages, Shot, Ammunition, Small Arms, and Accoutrements in charge of the Deputy Ordnance Storekeeper.

(4.) Circular Despatch from the Secretary of State communicating an agreement made between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of France to reciprocate protection to the Trade and Commerce of both Nations.

(5.) Correspondence with the Naval Commanding Officer in Port Jackson respecting the Assistance to be expected from the British Navy in those Seas.

(6.) Return of all Moneys received by or payable to Her Majesty's Ordnance Department since 17 March, 1853, rendered pursuant to 4 Victoria, No. 2.

(7.) Return of all Lands and Buildings vested in Her Majesty's Ordnance Department, rendered pursuant to 4 Victoria, No. 2.

(8.) Account of Receipts and Disbursements of General Revenue for the year 1853, rendered under Audit Act, 15 Victoria, No. 12.

(9.) Receipts and Appropriations on account of the Police Reward Fund, to 31st December, 1853.

(10.) Similar Return of Police Superannuation Fund, to 31st December, 1853.

(11.) Rules of Court promulgated by their Honours the Judges.

(12.) Prothoationary Letters (2) of 25th April, 1854, reporting that no Rules had been made under the Joint Stock Company's Act, 11 Vict., No. 19, or the Equity Practice Act of 1853, since last Report.

(13.) Letter from Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates, reporting that no Rules had been made in matters of Insolvency since last Report.

(14.) Return of the Quantity and Value of Gold exported from 1st April, 1853, to 31st March, 1854.

(15.) Return of Gold Licenses issued in the Western District, from 1st April, 1853, to 31st March, 1854.

(16.) Return of Places at which Gold has been discovered in the Western District.

(17.) Return of Gold Licenses issued in the Southern District from 1st April, 1853, to 31st March, 1854.

(18.) Return of Places at which Gold has been found in the Southern District.

(19.) Returns of the Western and Southern Road Patrols, Gold Escort, and extra Constables, to 31st March, 1854.

(20.) Report from Mr. Commissioner Green, on the state of the Western Gold Fields, dated 17th May, 1854.

(21.) Mr. Stechbury's Twelfth Quarterly Geological and Mineralogical Report.

(22.) Letter from Rev. W. B. Clarke on the subject of Sir R. Murchison's claim in connexion with the discovery of Gold in Australia.

(23.) Abstract of Bank Assets and Liabilities, for the quarters ended 31st December, 1853, and 31st March, 1854.

(24.) The Sydney Road Trust's Accounts to 31st December, 1852.

(25.) The Sydney Road Trust's Accounts to 30th June, 1853.

(26.) The Sydney Road Trust's Accounts to 31st December, 1853.

(27.) The Campbelltown Road Trust's Accounts to 30th June, 1853.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Chairman of Committees: The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That Henry Watson Parker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the whole Council, during the present Session.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Parker made his acknowledgments to the House.

3. Days for Dispatch of General Business: The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week, be the days on which this Council shall meet for the dispatch of business.

Question put and passed.

4. Days for Dispatch of Government Business: The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, Government business shall take precedence of all other business.

Question put and passed.
5. Standing Orders Committee; The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session, consist of the following Members, viz.—The Speaker, the Attorney General, Mr. Parker, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Martin. Question put and passed.

6. Library Committee; The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That the Library Committee for the present Session, consist of the following Members, viz.—The Speaker, the Attorney General, Mr. Parker, Mr. James Macarthur, Captain King, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Murray, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Martin. Question put and passed.

7. Claim of Mr. William Brooks;—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Select Committee appointed last Session to take into consideration the claim of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, be re-appointed—such Committee consisting of Mr. Dobie, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, the Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Barker. Question put and passed.

Counsel adjourned at a quarter to Four o'clock, until to-morrow, at a quarter after Two o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

THURSDAY, JUne 8.

Memo.—The Council to proceed to Government House, at half-past Two o'clock today, there to present to His Excellency the Governor General their Address in reply to the Speech of His Excellency on opening the Session.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House, Copies of all Despatches received by His Excellency from the Home Government with reference to the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in this Colony, other than such as have been already communicated to this House.

2. A statement setting forth,—

(1) The amount of money already expended in reference to the Branch Mint; and showing in detail the appropriation of each sum.

(2) The names of all persons now employed in reference to that Branch Mint—the amount of their salaries—the date of their appointment—the date of their arrival in this Colony—and the manner in which they have been since employed, respectively.

2. Mr. Martin to move:—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the best means of providing for destitute children, and preventing juvenile delinquency, with liberty to send for persons and papers.

(2) That the Evidence taken before the Select Committees of this House, appointed respectively on the 27th July, 1852, and the 17th May, 1853, to consider and report upon the Destitute Children's Bill, be referred to the said Committees.

(3) That such Committees consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Merewether, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Morris, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Macleay, Captain King, Dr. Douglass, and Mr. Allen.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of licenses that have been issued to Pawnbrokers annually in the City of Sydney, since the 10th of October, 1849; together with the names of the persons to whom such licenses have been issued.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the Depositions of the Witnesses and finding of the Jury in an Inquisition taken at Sutton Forest, on the 22nd of March last, before James Johnne Higgins, Convey, on view of the body of Isabella Osborne; and also copies of all Warrants, Orders, or Letters written to the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Sutton Forest, or any other Minister of Religion, in reference to the interment of the said Isabella Osborne.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

(1) A Return of all sums of money sent by the Local Government to the Emigration Commissioners in London since the 26th day of December, 1852, showing the balance in the hands of the Commissioners at that date.

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NOTICES OF MOTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 13.

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—
(1.) A Nominal Return of all persons who have been appointed to any office or place in the Department of the Shipping Master, in pursuance of the provisions of the Water Police Regulation Act, 17 Victoria, No. 30, with the amount of Salaries paid to all such persons.
(2.) A Return of the Number of Seamen shipped in the Port of Sydney, from the 1st day of January last to the 31st day of May inclusive; and also of the Number of Seamen discharged during the same period.
(3.) A Return of all Fees or Sums of Money received in the Shipping Master's Department for the shipping and discharge of Seamen, and for the preparation of Ships' Articles, or otherwise, during the same period.
(4.) A Return of all Seamen apprehended for desertion, or for being absent from duty, or otherwise dealt with at the Water Police Office.
(5.) A Return of all Licenses granted to Shipping Agents to ship Seamen.
(6.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to any appointments made under the said Act 17 Victoria, No. 30.
(7.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to the Licensing of Shipping Agents under section 13 of the said Act.
(8.) Copy of all Correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce, relative to the above; and Copies of the opinions given by the Law Officers of the Crown, or either of them, with reference thereto.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Martin, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Merewether, Mr. James Macarthur, and Mr. Nichols, appointed last Session to inquire into and report upon the propriety of re-appointing the Chamber of Commerce, appointed by the Crown, to be re-appointed.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Russell, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Flood, appointed last Session, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of placing the construction, management, and control of the public works and buildings of the Colony, under a Board of Public Works, be re-appointed.

4. Dr. Douglas to move—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macquarie, Mr. Parkes, Captain Dumas, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.

NOTICES OF MOTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 20.

1. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council 16 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Indenting of Assisted Emigrants.

2. Mr. Martin to move,—
(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

NOTICE OF MOTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 27.

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 8 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Address in reply to His Excellency the Governor General’s Opening Speech:—On
Motion of the Colonial Secretary the Council proceeded to Government House, there
to present to the Governor General their Address in reply to His Excellency’s
Speech on opening the Session.
The Council having returned, the Speaker reported that the Council had been to
Government House, and there presented to the Governor General their Address in
reply to His Excellency’s Speech on opening the Session, and that His Excellency
had been pleased to make the following answer:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

I thank you for this Address, and the expression of your loyalty and devotion
to Our Sovereign and Her Majesty’s Government.
I derive much gratification from your assurances that the measures I may
have to submit to your notice during the present Session will receive your careful
consideration, and also from your cordial response to the desire I have expressed for
a continuation of the harmonious relations which have hitherto subsisted between us.

CHS A. FITZ ROY.

Sydney, 8th June, 1854.

2. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received
and read:—
(1.) Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill:—
CHS A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5
and 6 Victoria, cap 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative
Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, “A Bill to authorize the formation of Volunteer
and Yeomanry Corps in the Colony of New South Wales, and for the regulation
thereof.”

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into considera-
tion on Wednesday next.
(2.) Public Health Bill:—
CHS A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5
and 6 Victoria, cap 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council
the draft of a Bill, intituled, “A Bill for promoting the Public Health.”

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into con-
sideration on Wednesday next.
(3.) Common Lodging Houses Bill:—
CHS A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5
and 6 Victoria, cap 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council
the draft of a Bill, intituled, “A Bill for the well-ordering of Common Lodging
Houses.”

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into con-
sideration on Thursday next.
(4.) Gold Fields Management Bill:—

Message No. 4.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to make permanent the Acts for regulating the "management of the Gold Fields."

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

(5.) Law of Evidence Bill:—

Message No. 5.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill further to amend the Law of Evidence."

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on next Wednesday week.

(6.) Felons' Bill:—

Message No. 6.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend the Law respecting Felons and "other Offenders."

Government House,
Sydney, 8 June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on next Wednesday week.

(7.) Custody of Infants Bill:—

Message No. 7.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend the law relating to the custody of "Infants."

Government House
Sydney 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on next Wednesday week.

(8.) Military Tolls Bill:—

Message No. 8.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to exempt the Military quartered at the new "Barracks, near Sydney, from the payment of Tolls at the Paddington Turnpike- "Gate."

Government House
Sydney, 8 June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.

(9.) Police Disqualifying Bill:—

Message No. 9.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to disqualify Officers of the Police Force from "being elected Members of the Legislative Council, and to prevent Officers of Police and "Constables from interfering in or influencing Elections of Legislative Councillors."

Government House,
Sydney, 8 June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on next Thursday week.
(10.) Christ Church Trustees' Bill:—

CH A. FITZ ROY, Message No. 10.

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Trustees of 'Christ Church,' in Sydney, to surrender to the Crown for Public purposes a portion of the land granted for a Penitentiary in connection with the said Church and to accept other land in exchange for the same."

Government House, Sydney, 8 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on next Thursday week.

(11.) Mr. Edward Robert Stack:—

CH A. FITZ ROY, Message No. 11.

Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the accompanying copy of a Memorial from Mr. Edward Robert Stack, Master of the Benevolent Asylum of Sydney, praying that he may receive such retiring allowance as the length of his services and the state of his health may entitle him to.

2. It appears from Mr. Stack's Memorial that immediately upon his arrival in the Colony, in the year 1823, he was appointed Superintendent of the Treadmill at Carter's Barracks, Sydney, and subsequently Assistant Superintendent of Carter's Barracks; and that in July, 1838, he was appointed to the situation he now holds, under the belief, as he alleges, that he would not thereby cease to be in the service of the Government.

3. The Governor General cannot, of course, regard Mr. Stack as being in any sense in the employment of the Government; but, as from the numerous and respectable testimonials attached to his Memorial it is clear that Mr. Stack has for upwards of thirty years faithfully and diligently performed the duties of the situations which he has filled, either under the Government or in connexion with an important Public Institution, His Excellency, under the advice of the Executive Council, refers his application, as a special case, for the favorable consideration of the Legislative Council.

Government House, Sydney, 8 June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents, and taken into consideration on this day forthcoming.

3. Draymen:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Merchants and Residents in Sydney, praying such amendment in the 6th section of the Sydney Police Act, 4 William 4, No. 7, as will render it lawful for Draymen to ride on Drays drawn by one Horse guided by reins.

Petition received.

4. Branch of the Royal Mint:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to name some day upon which the Petition be laid upon the table of this House.

1. Copies of all Despatches received by His Excellency from the Home Government with reference to the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in this Colony, other than such as have already been communicated to this House.

2. A statement setting forth,—

(1.) The amount of money already expended in reference to the Branch Mint; and shewing in detail the appropriation of each sum.

(2.) The names of all persons now employed in reference to that Branch Mint—the amount of their salaries—the date of their appointment—the date of their arrival in this Colony—and the manner in which they have been since employed, respectively.

Question put and passed.

5. Destitute Children:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to amended notice,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the best means of providing for destitute children, and preventing juvenile delinquency, with liberty to send for persons and papers.

(2) That the Evidence taken before the Select Committees of this House, appointed on the 27th July, 1852, and the 17th May, 1853, to consider and report upon the Destitute Children's Bill, and to inquire into and report upon the best means of providing for destitute children and preventing juvenile delinquency, respectively, be referred to the said Committee.

(3) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz:—Mr. Meredith, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Morris, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Sutor, Mr. Macleay, Captain King, Dr. Douglas, and Mr. Allen.

Question put and passed.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd postponed the three motions standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-morrow, until Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at a quarter to Four o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) A Nominal Return of all persons who have been appointed to any office or place in the Department of the Shipping Master, in pursuance of the provisions of the Water Police Regulation Act, 17 Victoria, No. 86, with the amount of Salaries paid to all such persons.
   (2.) A Return of the Number of Seamen shipped in the Port of Sydney, from the 1st day of January last to the 31st day of May inclusive; and also of the Number of Seamen discharged during the same period.
   (3.) A Return of all Fees or Sums of Money received in the Shipping Master's Department, for the shipping and discharge of Seamen, and for the preparation of Ships' Articles, or otherwise, during the same period.
   (4.) A Return of all Seamen apprehended for desertion, or for being absent from duty, or otherwise dealt with at the Water Police Office.
   (5.) A Return of all Licenses granted to Shipping Agents to ship Seamen.
   (6.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, with the appointments made under the said Act 17 Victoria, No. 86.
   (7.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to the Licensing of Shipping Agents under section 13 of the said Act.
   (8.) Copies of all Correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce, relative to the above; and Copies of the opinions given by the Law Officers of the Crown, or either of them, with references thereto.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Martin, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Merewether, Mr. James Macarthur, and Mr. Nicholls, appointed last Session to inquire into and report upon the propriety of recommending to His Excellency the Governor General the reservation of certain unappropriated lands in and near the City of Sydney, as places to be set apart for the public recreation of the Inhabitants of Sydney and its suburbs, be re-appointed.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Select Committee, consisting of Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Russell, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. Flood, appointed last Session, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of placing the construction, management, and control of the public works and buildings of the Colony, under a Board of Public Works, be re-appointed.

4. Mr. Douglass to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of:—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Maclorey, Mr. Parke, Captain Darnaway, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.

5. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 8th instant, praying such alteration in the 40th Section of the Sydney Police Act, (4 Wm. 4, No. 7,) as will make it lawful for draymen to ride on drays drawn by one horse guided by reins, be printed.

6. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Statement, shewing specifically what arrangements were made by the Government for supplying oil, food, and firing to the Lighthouse Station on Gato Island when that Station was established; and the means since adopted to carry out any such arrangements. Also, copies of all Correspondence between the Superintendent of the Station and the Government since the establishment of the Light.

7. Mr. Nicholls to move to bring in a Bill to continue, for a limited time, the Act of Council, 10 Vict., No. 27, intitled, "An Act to Regulate the Carrying of Fire Arms and other Offensive Weapons."

8. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) Copy of all Correspondence between the Law Officers and the Bench of Magistrates, or Police Magistrates of Sydney, with reference to the application of Mr. George Clarke for a certificate to obtain the renewal of his License as a Publican, or to any objection made against the granting thereof.
   (2.) A Return of the names of the Magistrates who voted at the General Licensing Meeting held at Sydney during the present year when the application of the said George Clarke for the necessary Certificate to obtain a renewal of his License as a Publican was refused.

9. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) A Return of the number of days during which the various Courts of General and Quarter Sessions have sat for the dispatch of business during the year 1853, and the year 1854, up to the 31st day of May last; and also of the number of Cases tried before the said Courts during the same period (Including Appeals.)

(2.)
(2.) A Return of the number of days the several Courts of Requests for the county of Cumberland have sat for the dispatch of business during the like period; together with the number of Cases heard in the said Courts respectively.

10. MR. HOLROYD to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of licenses that have been issued to Pawnbrokers annually in the City of Sydney, since the 10th of October, 1849;—together with the names of the persons to whom such licenses have been issued.

11. MR. HOLROYD to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the Depositions of the Witnesses and Finding of the Jury in an Inquisition taken at Sutton Forest, on the 22nd of March last, before James Jerome Higgins, Coroner, on view of the body of Isabella Osborne; and also copies of all Warrants, Orders, or Letters written to the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Sutton Forest, or any other Minister of Religion, in reference to the interment of the said Isabella Osborne.

12. MR. HOLROYD to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:

(1.) A Return of all sums of money sent by the Local Government to the Emigration Commissioners in London since the 28th day of December, 1852, shewing the balance in the hands of the Commissioners at that date.

(2.) A Return of the vessels sent out to this Colony by the Emigration Commissioners under the Act 16 Vic., No. 42;—stating the names of each vessel, the dates of departure from the ports in Great Britain, the dates of arrival here, the number of Immigrants in each vessel,—and their classes and ages.

(3.) A Copy of all Correspondence between the Local Government and the Emigration Commissioners in London, in reference to Immigration under the 16 Vic., No. 42, since the papers laid upon the Table of this House on the 3rd day of August last.

Wednesday, June 14.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 1, with Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 4, with Gold Fields Management Bill.

Thursday, June 15.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 8, with Military Tolls Bill.

Tuesday, June 20.

Notices of Motion:

1. DR. DOUGLAS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council 16 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Indenting of Assisted Emigrants.

2. MR. MARTIN to move.

(1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

Wednesday, June 21.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 5, with Law of Evidence Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 6, with Felons' Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 7, with Custody of Infants Bill.

Thursday, June 22.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 9, with Police Disqualifying Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 10, with Christ Church Trustees' Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack's claim to Retiring Allowance.

Tuesday,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Martin to move:

   1. That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately taken thoroughly to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say,—
      (1.) The Great Western Road, from Penrith to Bathurst.
      (2.) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
      (3.) The Great Northern Road, from Maitland to the Gap at Murrurundi.
      (4.) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.

   2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spread the expenditure, as hitherto, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled and responsible supervision, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be done, shall be of a permanent character.

   3. That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,

Speaker.
No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 13 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council rise pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Rights of Squatters:—In answer to a question put to him by Mr. Bligh, the Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 29th November, 1853, enclosing a communication in reference to the Rights of the Occupiers of Pastoral Runs in Victoria. Ordered to be printed.

2. Leave of absence granted for six months to Mr. Leslie, on motion of Captain King.

3. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

(1.) Military Lands Bill:

CH: A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Messuage No. 12.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, the Draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to authorize the acquisition by occupation and use of any lands required for purposes of Military Defence, and to make compensation to the Owners thereof."

Governor House.
Sydney, 13 June, 1854.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow week.

(2.) Sydney Railway Company:—

CH: A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Message No. 13.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, a copy of a letter from the President of the Sydney Railway Company, covering an application for the guarantee of the Government of Interest on the Shares in that Company to the extent of a further £100,000 and the loan of a second sum of £150,000.

2. His Excellency also transmits the copy of a Minute of the Executive Council on the subject, and recommends the propositions therein contained to the favorable consideration of the Legislative Council.

Governor House.
Sydney, 13 June, 1854.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents, and taken into consideration to-morrow week.

(3.) Intended Appropriations under Schedule A, (part 2) in 1855:—

CH: A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Message No. 14.

Agreably to the provisions of the 10th Section of the Act of Parliament for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies, the Governor General lays before the Legislative Council a Statement of the Sums intended to be appropriated, in the year 1855, for the Services and Purposes named in Schedule A (part 2) annexed to that Act.

Governor House.
Sydney, 13 June, 1854.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying statement, and taken into consideration on next Thursday week.

(4.) Paris Exhibition Commission:—

CH: A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Message No. 15.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, a copy of a communication from the Secretary to the Paris Exhibition Commissioners for New South Wales, submitting a suggestion made by the Commissioners with the view of enabling them to forward to Paris a sufficiently rich and varied collection of Gold Specimens— together with a copy of the reply which has been addressed to the Commissioners by the Government.

2.
2. Under the advice of the Executive Council the Governor General proposes, for the consideration of the Legislative Council, that a loan from the General Revenue should be made to the Commissioners, in furtherance of the above object, to the extent of five thousand pounds, to be expended by them in the purchase of Specimens of New South Wales Gold, as proposed by them; and the proceeds of the Gold after its exhibition, whether more or less than the amount of the loan, to be refunded to the Colony.

Government House,
Sydney, 13 June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying communication, and taken into consideration to-morrow fortnight.

4. Shipping Master's Department:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice,—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

(1.) Nominal Return of all persons who have been appointed in any office or place in the Department of the Shipping Master, in pursuance of the provisions of the Water Police Regulation Act, 17 Victoria, No. 36, with the amount of Salaries paid to all such persons.

(2.) A Return of the Number of Seamen shipped in the Port of Sydney, from the 1st day of January last to the 31st day of May inclusive; and also of the Number of Seamen discharged during the same period.

(3.) A Return of all Fees or Sums of Money received in the Shipping Master's Departments, for the shipping and discharge of Seamen, and for the preparation of Ships' Articles, or otherwise, during the same period.

(4.) A Return of all Seamen apprehended for desertion, or for being absent from duty, or otherwise dealt with at the Water Police Office.

(5.) A Return of all Licences granted to Shipping Agents to ship Seamen.

(6.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to any appointments made under the said Act 17 Victoria, No. 36.

(7.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Shipping Master and the Government, relative to the Licensing of Shipping Agents under section 13 of the said Act.

(8.) Copy of all Correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce, relative to the above; and Copies of the opinions given by the Law Officers of the Crown, or either of them, with references thereto.

(9.) A similar Return for the Port of Newcastle, so far as the same can be supplied.

Question put and passed.

5. Shipping Master's Department:—Mr. Thurlow presented a Petition from certain Owners and Masters of Merchant Ships trading to and from the Port of Sydney, and others interested in the Maritime Commerce of the Port and City, praying that the Shipowners, Shipmasters, and Agents of the Port of Sydney may be placed on a similar footing in respect to procuring seamen as the case classes are placed by the Seamen's Protection Act, 8 & 9 Victoria, cap. 116, in the Ports of the United Kingdom.

Petition received.

6. Land Reserves for Public Recreation:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That the Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Martin, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Moreweather, Mr. James Macarthur, and Mr. Nichols, appointed last Session to inquire into and report upon the propriety of recommending to His Excellency the Governor General the reservation of certain unappropriated lands in and near the City of Sydney, as places to be set apart for the public recreation of the Inhabitants of Sydney and its suburbs, be re-appointed.

Question put and passed.

7. Proposed Board of Public Works:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That the Select Committee, consisting of Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Russell, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Flood, appointed last Session, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of placing the construction, management, and control of the public works and buildings of the Colony, under a Board of Public Works, be re-appointed.

Question put and passed.

8. Postponement:—Mr. Douglas postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.

9. Draymen:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 8th instant, praying such alteration in the 46th Section of the Sydney Police Act, (4 Wis. 4, No. 7,) as will make it lawful for draymen to ride on drays drawn by one horse guided by reins, be printed.

Debate ceased.

Question put and passed.

10. Light House on Goat Island:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Statement, showing specifically what arrangements were made by the Government for supplying oil, food, and firing to the Lighthouse Station on Goat Island when that Station was established; and the means since adopted to carry out any such arrangements. Also, copies of all Correspondence between the Superintendent of the Station and the Government since the establishment of the Light.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
11. Arms Bill:—Mr. Nicholls moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to continue, for a limited time, the Act of Council, 16 Vist. No. 27, intituled, "An Act to regulate the Carrying of Fire Arms and other Offensive Weapons." Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

12. Publicans' Licences:—Mr. Nicholls moved, pursuant to amended notice,—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) Copy of all Correspondence between the Law Officers and the Bench of Magistrates, or Police Magistrates of Sydney, with reference to the application of Mr. George Clarke for a certificate to obtain the renewal of his License as a Publican, or to any objection made against the granting thereof.
   (2.) A Return of the names of the Magistrates who voted at the General Licensing Meeting held at Sydney during the present year when the application of the said George Clarke for the necessary Certificate to obtain a renewal of his License as a Publican was refused; and also a Return of the names of the Magistrates who voted at the same Licensing Meeting when his License was granted.
   (3.) A Return of the number of Publicans' Licences issued in pursuance of the provisions of the Act of Council, 17 Vist. No. 6, since the passing thereof, (26th July, 1850) up to the 31st day of May last; together with the names of the Justices who recommended the same, and the districts or places for which such Licences were respectively issued. Question put and passed.

13. Courts of General and Quarter Sessions and of Requests:—Mr. Nicholls moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) A Return of the number of days during which the various Courts of General and Quarter Sessions have sat for the dispatch of business during the year 1854, and the year 1854, up to the 31st day of May last; and also of the number of Cases tried before the said Courts during the same period (including Appeals).
   (2.) A Return of the number of days the several Courts of Requests for the county of Cumberland have sat for the dispatch of business during the like period; together with the number of Cases heard in the said Courts respectively. Question put and passed.

14. Pawnbrokers Licences:—Mr. Harlloyd moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Licences that have been issued to Pawnbrokers annually in the City of Sydney, since the 16th of October, 1848; together with the names of the persons to whom such Licences have been issued. Question put and passed.

15. Inquest on Isabella Osborne:—Mr. Harlloyd moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the Depositions of the Witnesses and finding of the Jury in an Inquisition taken at Sutton Forest, on the 22nd of March last, before James Jerome Higgins, Coroner, on the body of Isabella Osborne; and also copies of all Warrants, Orders, or Letters written to the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Sutton Forest, or any other Minister of Religion, by the said Coroner, in reference to the interment of the said Isabella Osborne. Question put and passed.

16. Emigration:—Mr. Harlloyd moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) A Return of all sums of money sent by the Local Government to the Emigration Commissioners in London since the 26th day of December, 1852, shewing the balance in the hands of the Commissioners at that date.
   (2.) A Return of the vessels sent out to this Colony by the Emigration Commissioners under the Act 16 Vist. No. 42—stating the name of each vessel, the dates of departure from the ports in Great Britain, the dates of arrival here, the number of Immigrants in each vessel, and their classes and ages. Question put and passed. Council adjourned at Five o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 1, with Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 4, with Gold Fields Management Bill.
OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of any Petition presented to the Colonial Government, against the destruction of Nobby's Island at the entrance to the Harbour of Newcastle, preparatory to erecting a Light House upon it; and of all correspondences which may have taken place between the Government and the Petitioners or any other parties upon the subject.

2. Mr. Nicholas to move, That the Evidence taken before the Committee on the claim of Mr. William Brooks to an additional grant of Land, be printed and referred to the Committee appointed during the present Session for the consideration thereof.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart be a Member of the Land Reserves for Public Recreation Committee, in place of the late Colonial Secretary.

4. Mr. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart and The Colonial Secretary be Members of the proposed Board of Public Works Committee, in the place of Mr. Jefferys and the late Colonial Secretary.

5. Mr. Thurlow to move, That the Petition of the Masters and Owners of Vessels trading to and from Port Jackson, presented by him on the 13th instant, be printed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 8, with Military Tolls Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, A nominal Return of all Commissioners of Crown Lands appointed for the purpose of conducting Crown Land sales, under the regulations of 6th March, 1855, shewing the mode of remuneration and the amount paid to each of them up to the 31st ultimo, as well as the quantity and description of land sold, and the amount paid for surveying it previous to its being put up to sale.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, A copy of any Correspondence which may have taken place between the Colonial Government and the Road Trusts, or Surveyors appointed to act under them, in reference to the working of the present system of keeping the main thoroughfares in repair.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Inducing of Assisted Emigrants.

2. Mr. Martin to move,—

(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

3. Mr. Cowper to move:

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what measures can be applied for this growing evil.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Allen, The Inspector General of Police, Captain King, Mr. Douglas, and Mr. Parkes.

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:

(1.) A Return of the number of cases of drunkenness, dealt with at the various Courts of Petty Sessions in the Colony, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853.

(2.) A Return shewing the number of cases tried in the Supreme Court and Courts of Quarter Sessions, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853, which, so far as it can be ascertained, had their origin in the drunkenness of the parties.

(3.) A Return of the Applications made to the Colonial Government, for permission to sell fermented or spiritsuous liquors, in quantities not less than two gallons, under the Act of Council, 13 Vict. No. 20, shewing the number of Applications granted, and the number refused.

(4.) A Return of the number of Licensed Public Houses, in each Police District in the Colony.
5. Mr. Cawte to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the monthly number of complaints and convictions at the Water Police Office, from 1st June, 1853, to the date of the Return, or against Seamen for breaches of Articles of Agreement entered into under the Imperial or Colonial Acts, whether committed under agreement signed in Great Britain, Foreign States, or these Colonies, specifying also the sentences awarded, and what remissions, if any, have been granted, and the number of Seamen under sentence at the date of the Return.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 5, with Law of Evidence Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 6, with Police Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 7, with Custody of Infants Bill.
4. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 9, with Police Disqualifying Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 10, with Church Trustees’ Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack’s claim to Retiring Allowance.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. MR. COWPER to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. Macarthur, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Campbell.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. MR. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. MR. MARTIN to move:—
   1. That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately taken to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say,—
      (1) The Great Western Road, from Parramatta to Bathurst.
      (2) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
      (3) The Great Nortern Road, from Maitland to the Gap at Murramondi.
      (4) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.
   2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spread the expenditure, as hitherto, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled and responsible superintendence, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be done, shall be of a permanent character.
   (3) That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.
3. DR. DOUGLAS to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Parkes, Captain Dumaresq, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.
4. MR. COWPER to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. McLeay.
5. MR. PARKES to move, (2)
   (1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
(2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irremediable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present conjuncture, would be inscrutably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 15, with Communication from Paris Exhibition Commission.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.—The Governor General’s Message No. 1, received with this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to authorize the formation of a Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps in the Colony of New South Wales, and for the ‘regulation thereof,’" read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

2. Postponements:
   (1.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 2, with the Public Health Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.
   (2.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 4, with the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

3. Nobby’s Island—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of any Petition presented to the Colonial Government, against the destruction of Nobby’s Island at the entrance to the Harbour of Newcastle, preparatory to erecting a Light House upon it; and of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Government and the Petitioners or any other parties upon the subject. Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

4. Papers—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned papers:
   (1.) Two Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated respectively 12th and 29th December, 1851, in reference to the formation of Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps.
   (2.) A Nominal Return of the Commissioners, Clerks, and Troopers at the several Gold Districts, with their respective salaries.
   (3.) A Return of the Revenue and Expenditure in connexion with the Gold Districts for the year 1853.
   (4.) A Return of Receipts and Disbursements on account of the Transport of Gold for the year 1853.
   (5.) Rules of Court promulgated by their Honors the Judges on 29th April and 7th June, 1852.

5. Armas Bill—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "A Bill to continue "in force an Act, intituled, 'An Act to regulate the carriage of Fire Arms and other "Offensive Weapons,'" read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

6. Claim of Mr. William Brooks—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Evidence taken before the Committee on the claim of Mr. William Brooks to an additional grant of Land, be printed, and referred to the Committee appointed during the present Session for the consideration thereof.
   Question put and passed.

7. Postponement—Mr. Nichols, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd, third and fourth on the Notice Paper for 40 days, until to-morrow.

8. Shipping Master’s Department—Mr. Thurlow moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Masters and Owners of Vessels trading to and from Port Jackson, presented by him on the 13th instant, be printed.
   Question put and passed.

9. Postponement—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for Friday the 16th, until Tuesday the 20th instant.

Council adjourned at Ten minutes after Four o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 8, with Military Tolls Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION.
1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, A nominal Return of all Commissioners of Crown Lands appointed for the purpose of conducting Crown Land sales, under the regulations of 8th March, 1858, showing the mode of remuneration and the amount paid to each of them up to the 31st ultimo, as well as the quantity and description of land sold, and the amount paid for surveying it previous to its being put up to sale.
2. Ms. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart be a Member of the Land Reserves for Public Recreation Committee, in place of the late Colonial Secretary.
3. Ms. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart and The Colonial Secretary be Members of the Proposed Board of Public Works Committee, in place of Mr. Jeffreys and the late Colonial Secretary.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20.

NOTICES OF MOTION—
1. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council 10 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Indenture of Assisted Emigrants.
2. Mr. Martin to move,—
   (1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
   (2) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

3. Mr. Cowper to move—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what remedies can be applied for this growing evil.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — The Attorney General, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Allen, The Inspector General of Police, Captain King, Dr. Douglass, and Mr. Parkos.

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1) A Return of the number of cases of drunkenness, dealt with at the various Courts of Petty Sessions in the Colony, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853.
   (2) A Return shewing the number of cases tried in the Supreme Court and Courts of Quarter Sessions, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853, which, so far as it can be ascertained, had their origin in the drunkenness of the parties.
   (3) A Return of the Applications made to the Colonial Government, for permission to sell fermented or spirituous liquors, in quantities not less than two gallons, under the Act of Council, 18 Vict. No. 25, shewing the number of Applications granted, and the number refused.
   (4) A Return of the number of Licensed Public Houses, in each Police District in the Colony.

5. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the monthly number of complaints and convictions at the Water Police Office, from 1st June, 1852, to the date of the Return, of or against Seamen for breaches of Articles of Agreement entered into under the Imperial or Colonial Acts, whether committed under agreements signed in Great Britain, Foreign States, or these Colonies, specifying also the sentences awarded, and what remissions, if any, have been granted, and the number of Seamen under sentence at the date of the Return.

6. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which may have taken place between the Colonial Government and the Road Trusts, or Surveyors appointed to act under them, in reference to the working of the present system of keeping the main Thoroughfares in repair.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. Arts Bill; second reading.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 5, with Law of Evidence Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 6, with Felons' Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 7, with Custody of Infants Bill.
4. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.
5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Letter from the Sydney Railway Company.
6. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill; second reading.
7. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.
8. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 4, with Gold Fields Management Bill.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 9, with Police Disqualifying Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 10, with Chris Church Trustees' Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, with Mr. Stock's claim to Raising Allowance.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. Macarthur, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Campbell.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Martin to move:
   1. That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately taken thoroughly to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say,—
      (1.) The Great Western Road, from Penrith to Bathurst.
      (2.) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
      (3.) The Great Northern Road, from Maitland to the Gap at Murrurundi.
      (4.) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.
   2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spread the expenditure, as hitherto, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled and responsible supervision, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be done, shall be of a permanent character.
   3. That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.
3. Mr. Douglas to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Emigration into this Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, Mr. James Masnthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Parkes, Captain Dunsany, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.
4. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Masnthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.
5. Mr. Parkes to move,
   (1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   (2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalize the common elements of colonizing enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(3.)
(3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreconcilable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be insensibly outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, these pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Majesty the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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**Wednesday, June 23.**

**Government Business**—**Order of the day**—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 15, with Communication from Paris Exhibition Commission.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,

Speaker.
No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 15 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Dr. Douglas Land Claim:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—
   
   CHAS. A. FITZ ROY
   
   Message No. 16.

   Governor General.

   The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Copy of a Despatch from His Grace the Secretary of State in Reply to the Resolution adopted by the Council on the 1st October, 1852, with respect to the claim of Dr. H. G. Douglas to compensation for a Grant of 2,000 acres of land which had been promised to him many years ago.

   Government House
   Sydney 15 June, 1854.
   
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Despatch.

2. Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 3, with the Common Lodging Houses Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

3. Military Tolls Bill:—The Governor General’s Message No. 8, received with this Bill on the 8th inst., having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intitled, “A Bill to exempt the Military quartered at the New Barracks, near Sydney, from the payment of Tolls at the Paddington Turnpike” was read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

4. Commissioners for Sale of Crown Lands:—Mr. Cowper moved pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, A nominal Return of all Commissioners of Crown Lands appointed for the purpose of conducting Crown Land sales, under the regulations of 8th March, 1853, shewing the mode of remuneration and the amount paid to each of them up to the 31st ultimo, as well as the quantity of land sold, and the Scale of Fees paid to the Licensed Surveyors employed in the Surveys.

   Debate ensued.

   Question put and passed.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd, second and third on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

   Council adjourned, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, at quarter after four o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council 16 Victoria, No. 42, to Regulate the Indenting of Assisted Emigrants.

2. Mr. Mawson to move:—

   (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

3. Mr. Cowper to move:—

   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what remedies can be applied for this growing evil.

   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Allen, The Inspector General of Police, Captain King, Dr. Douglas, and Mr. Parkes.

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

   (1.)
1. A Return of the number of cases of drunkenness, dealt with at the various Courts of Petty Sessions in the Colony, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853.
2. A Return showing the number of cases tried in the Supreme Court and Courts of Quarter Sessions, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853, which, so far as it can be ascertained, had their origin in the drunkenness of the parties.
3. A Return of the Applications made to the Colonial Government, for permission to sell fermented or spirituous liquors, in quantities not less than two gallons, under the Act of Council, 13 Vict. No. 20, showing the number of Applications granted, and the number refused.
4. A Return of the number of Licensed Public Houses, in each Police District in the Colony.

5. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the monthly number of complaints and convictions at the Water Police Office, from 1st June, 1858, to the date of the Return, of or against Seamen for breaches of Articles of Agreement entered into under the Imperial or Colonial Acts, whether committed under agreement signed in Great Britain, Foreign States, or these Colonies, specifying also the sentences awarded, and what remissions, if any, have been granted, and the number of Seamen under sentences at the date of the Return.

6. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which may have taken place between the Colonial Government and the Road Trusts, or Surveyors appointed to act under them, in reference to the working of the present system of keeping the main Thoroughfares in repair.

7. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to bring in a Bill to continue the Masters' and Servants' Acts 9th Victoria, No 27, of 1846, and the Masters' and Servants' Act, 11th Victoria, No. 9, of 1847, for a period of two years.

8. Mr. Evatt to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondences between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Bombala, respecting the withdrawal of the permission formerly granted for the sale of spirits at Bombala, in quantities not less than two gallons; and also, a copy of any opinion given by the Crown Law Officers on the same subject.

9. Mr. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart be a Member of the Land Reserves for Public Recreation Committee, in place of the late Colonial Secretary.

10. Mr. Holroyd to move, That Mr. Smart and The Colonial Secretary be Members of the Proposed Board of Public Works Committee, in place of Mr. Jeffreys and the late Colonial Secretary.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Arms; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21.

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   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. Macarthur, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Campbell.

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   (2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprises; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
   (3.) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreconcilable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefits which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, as the present conjuncture, would be inequitably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.
   (4.) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, there exists an industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.
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   (7.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 15, with Communication from Paris Exhibition Commission.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 20 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Wm. McTaggart Dorsey.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CII. A. FITZ ROY

Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council an application from Mr. W. McTaggart Dorsey, J. P., to be relieved from the expenses of an action brought against him in his Magisterial capacity, together with copies of reports thereupon sworn to by the Justice Dickinson and the Crown Law Officers; and His Excellency invites the Council to appropriate the sum of one hundred pounds to cover the cost of Mr. Dorsey’s defence.

Government House
Sydney 20 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents, and taken into consideration this day week.

2. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1.) A Letter from the Medical Adviser to the Government dated 8th June, 1854, with Return of Persons Vaccinated during the year 1853.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to Pawnbrokers’ Licenses adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 12th instant.

(3.) The South Head Road Trust’s Accounts for the half-year ended respectively 30th June, 1852, 31st December, 1852, and 31st December, 1853.

(4.) The Parramatta Road Trust’s Account for the half-year ended 31st December, 1853.

(5.) The Campbelltown Road Trust’s Account for the half-year ended 31st December, 1853.

(6.) The Narrellon Road Trust’s Accounts for the half-year ended respectively 31st December, 1852, 30th June, 1853, and 31st December, 1853.

(7.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Branch of the Royal Mint, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 8th instant.

(8.) A Return of the Number of Gold Licenses issued in the Pastoral Districts from 1st April, 1853, to 31st March, 1854.

(9.) A Return of the places at which Gold Fields have been discovered in the Pastoral Districts.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Assisted Immigrants’ Act, 16 Vict., No. 42.—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to an amended notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Act of Council, 16 Vict., No. 42, to Regulate the Indenting of Assisted Emigrants so as to affect British European Emigration. Debate ensued.

Mr. Cowper moved the previous question. Debate continued.

Previous Question.—“Shall this Question be now put?”—put and negatived.

4. Postponement.—Mr. Martin postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.

5. Notice.—The Speaker reported that he had received a Writ certifying the return of Arthur Hodgson, Esq., to serve in the Legislative Council as Member for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, in room of John Richardson, Esq., resigned; and stated, for the information of the House, that the Writ was issued by him on the 13th day of March last, and was addressed to David Cannon McConnell, Esq., who was then the Returning Officer for the said Electoral District, and was made returnable on the 25th day of May then next ensuing; that the Writ was not returned to him on the said 25th day of May, but came to hand on the 17th day of June instant; and that the return of Mr. Hodgson was certified under the hand of Thomas Fitch, Esq., who had been appointed to act in the stead of the said David Cannon McConnell, Esq., as Returning Officer for the said Electoral District, as notified in the Government Gazette of the 11th day of April last; and that there was a Proclamation, published in the Government Gazette of this day, declaring the validity of the election of the said Arthur Hodgson, Esq.;—

And—
And the Clerk having, by order of the Speaker, read the said notification and Proclamation, of date respectively the 11th April and 20th June, 1854;—

A Debate arose on a point of Order having reference to the change in the Returning Officer of the said Electoral District, and to the non-return of the Writ on the day it was made returnable;—

And Mr. Hodgson being introduced, and having taken the Oath, and handed to the Clerk at the Table the following Declaration of Qualification, and taken his seat as Member for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, in room of John Richardson, Esquire, resigned;—

"I, Arthur Hodgson, of Eton Vale, Darling Downs, Grazer, do declare "and testify, That I am duly seised at Law or in Equity of an Estate in "freehold, for my own use and benefit, in lands or tenements in the Colony of New "South Wales, of the value of Two thousand pounds sterling money above all "charges and incumbrance affecting the same, that is to say --- Eight (8) Suburban "Allotments, situate on the Drayton Swamp, in the Parish of Drayton.---Two Allot- "ments, situate in the Town of Drayton.---Eight Allotments, situate in the Town "of North Brisbane.---Four Allotments, situate at Herne Bay, in the Hunter River "District,---of which Estates I am seized in fee simple; and that I have not collusively "or colourably obtained a title to, or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, "or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a "Member of the Legislative Council of New South Wales."" 

ARTHUR HODGSON. 

Sydney, June 15th, 1854. 

And a further Debate arising on a point of Order having reference to the Printing of the Papers relating to the Election and Return of Mr. Hodgson;—

Mr. Nicholls moved, that all Documents connected with the Election and Return of Arthur Hodgson, Esquire, to serve in this Council as Member for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, in room of John Richardson, Esquire, resigned, be printed in the Votes and Proceedings of the Council this day.

Question put and passed, 
And the said Documents printed accordingly as follows:—

(1) "VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom "of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of "the Faith, and so forth, 

"To David Cannon McConnel, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral "District of the County of Stanley, in Our Colony of New South Wales, 

"GREETING :-

"WHEREAS it hath been made known unto Us, by Sir Charles Nicholson, Knight, the "Honorable the Speaker of the present Legislative Council of Our said Colony of New "South Wales, that it hath been established to his satisfaction that John Richardson, "late a Member of the said Council, serving therein as Member for the Electoral Dis- "trict of the County of Stanley, hath in due form of law resigned his Seat in the said "Council; We do hereby, at the instance of the said Speaker, command and "solicit to join you that you cause an Election to be held for the return of a Mem- "ber to serve in the present Legislative Council of Our said Colony for the Electoral "District of the County of Stanley, in the room of the said John Richardson; and "that you cause the Nomination for such Election to be held at Brisbane on the "Twenty-fourth day of April next; and that, in the event of such Election being "contested, you cause the Poll at the different Polling Places for the said District to "be taken on the Twenty-eighth day of April next; and that you certify under "your Hand, by indorsement on this our Writ, the Name of the Member who shall "be so elected; and that you cause this Our Writ, with such Certificate so indorsed "thereon as aforesaid, to be returned to the Honourable the Speaker of the said "Legislative Council, at the Legislative Council Chambers, Macquarie-street, Sydney, "on the Twenty-fifth day of May next. In testimony whereof We have caused the "Great Seal of Our said Colony to be affixed to this Our Writ. 

"WITNESS Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir CHARLES "AUGUSTUS FITZ ROY, Knight Companion of the Royal "Honorary His Majesty's Order, Governor-General of all "Our Australian Possessions, and Captain-General and "Governor-in-Chief of Our Territory of New South "Wales and its said Dependencies, and in General of the "same, at Sydney, this Thirteenth day of March, in the "Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and "fifty-four, and in the Seventeenth Year of Our Reign "(l. s.) "By the Speaker of the Legislative Council." 

"This Writ received by me, this seventeenth (17th) day of April, One thousand "eight hundred and fifty-four. " T. PRIOR, Returning Officer." 

"I hereby Certify, that Arthur Hodgson was duly chosen the Member for the "Electoral Districts of the County of Stanley, (by my Casting Vote,) to serve "in the Legislative Council of New South Wales. " THOMAS PRIOR, Returning Officer. " Brisbane, May 25th, 1854." 

(2)
"Colonial Secretary's Office,
"Sydney, 11th April, 1854.
"His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to appoint
"Thomas Prior, Esquire,
"to sit in the stead of David Cannon McConnell, Esquire, as Returning Officer of
"the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, at the approaching Election of a
"Member to represent that Electoral District in the Legislative Council.
"By His Excellency's Command,
"C. D. RIDDELL",

"PROCLAMATION:
"By His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, Knight
"Companion of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor
"General of all Her Majesty's Australian Possessions, and
"Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Territory of New
"South Wales and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.,

"WHEREAS on the thirteenth day of March last past a Writ was issued by the
"Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council in Her Majesty's name, ad-
"dressed to David Cannon McConnell, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral
"District of Stanley, commanding the said Returning Officer to cause an Election
"to be held for the return of a Member to serve in the said Legislative Council for
"the said Electoral District in the room of John Richardson, Esq., who had before
"then resigned his seat in the said Council; and that he, the said Returning Officer,
"should cause the nomination for such Election to be held at North Brisbane on
"the twenty-fourth day of April then next, and that in the event of such Election
"being contested, he should cause the Poll at the different Polling-places for the
"said District to be taken on the twenty-eighth day of the said month of April, and
"that he should certify, under his hand by endorsement on the said Writ the name
"of the Member who should be so elected, and that he should cause the said Writ,
"so endorsed, to be returned to the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative
"Council on the twenty-fifth day of May then next.

"And whereas, in consequence of the absence from the Colony of the said
"Returning Officer, disabling him from acting at the said Election, I, the Governor
"aforesaid, did appoint Thomas Prior, Esquire, to sit in the stead of such Returning
"Officer at such Election: And whereas on the said twenty-fourth day of April
"in the said Writ mentioned, the Rev. John Dunmore Lang and Arthur Hodgson,
"Esquire, were duly nominated as candidates for Election, in pursuance of the said
"Writ: Whereupon, and upon a show of hands having been made in favour of one
"of such candidates, a poll was demanded by the other of such candidates: And
"whereas on the twenty-eighth day of April in the said Writ mentioned, a poll was
"taken at two of the polling places for the said Electoral District, but no poll was
"taken at Drayton, the remaining polling place for such District on the said day,
"by reason of the absence therefrom of the Deputy Returning Officer appointed for
"that place: And whereas the poll was taken under the said Writ at Drayton aforesaid
"on a subsequent day, that is to say, on the twenty-third day of May last:
"And whereas the said Thomas Prior, as such Acting Returning Officer aforesaid,
"after the taking of the last mentioned poll, found the votes to be equal for the
"said two candidates, and thereupon decided by his casting vote that the said
"Arthur Hodgson should be the candidate elected to serve in the Legislative Council
"in the room of the said John Richardson: And whereas the said Thomas Prior has
"returned the said Writ to the said Speaker of the Legislative Council with the
"name of the said Arthur Hodgson endorsed thereon as the name of the person duly
"elected under the said Writ, but such return was not made until the seventeenth
"day of this present month of June; and whereas the said several matters above
"mentioned have been brought under my consideration and that of my Executive
"Council: Now I, Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, the Governor General and
"Governor aforesaid, do in pursuance of the authority in that behalf vested in me
"by 'The Electoral Act of 1851,' in so far as the said authority or any other
"authority in me vested may extend, by this my Proclamation declare the said
"Election of the said Arthur Hodgson to be a valid Election under the said Writ.

"Given under my hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney, this
"twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand
"eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the eighteenth year of Her
"Majesty's Reign.

"(L.S.)
"CHS. A. FITZ ROY,
"By His Excellency's Command,
"C. D. RIDDELL.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!"

6. Postscript.—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to day, until tommorrow.
7. Intemperance.—Mr. Cowper moved pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
(1.) A Return of the number of cases of drunkenness, dealt with at the various Courts of Petty Session in the Colony, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853.
(2.) A Return showing the number of cases tried in the Supreme Court and Courts of Quarter Sessions, during the years 1851, 1852, and 1853, which, so far as it can be ascertained, had their origin in the drunkenness of the parties.
(3.) A Return of the Applications made to the Colonial Government, for permission to sell fermented or spirituous liquors, in quantities not less than two gallons, under the Act of Council, 13 Vict. No. 29, showing the number of Applications granted, and the number refused.
(4.) A Return of the number of Licensed Public Houses, in each Police District in the Colony.

3. Water Police Office Cases.—Mr. Campbell moved pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the monthly number of complaints and convictions at the Water Police Office, from 1st June, 1856, to the date of the Return, of or against Seamen for breaches of Articles of Agreement entered into under the Imperial or Colonial Acts, whether committed under agreement signed in Great Britain, Foreign States, or these Colonies, specifying also the sentences awarded, and what remissions, if any, have been granted, and the number of Seamen under sentence at the date of the Return.

9. Road Trust System.—Mr. Cowper moved pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which may have taken place between the Colonial Government and the Road Trusts, or Surveyors appointed to act under them, in reference to the working of the present system of keeping the main Thoroughfares in repair.

10. Masters' and Servants' Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to continue the Masters' and Servants' Acts 9th Victoria, No. 27, of 1846, and the Masters' and Servants' Acts, 11th Victoria, No. 9, of 1847, for a period of two years.

11. Sale of Spirits at Bombay.—Mr. Egan moved pursuant to a noticed motion, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Bombay, respecting the withdrawal of the permission formerly granted for the sale of spirits at Bombay, in quantities not less than two gallons.

12. Masters' and Servants' Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to continue the Masters' and Servants' Acts, 9 Victoria, No. 27, and 11 Victoria, No. 9, for a period of two years," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on next Friday week.

13. Election Petition.—The Speaker having reported that he had this day received a Petition from John Dunmore Lang, Master of Arts and Doctor of Divinity of the University of Glasgow, complaining that the sitting Member for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, had been unadulteratedly returned instead of himself to serve in this Council as Member for the said Electoral District in room of John Richardson, Esquire, resigned,—the said Petition was read by the Clerk, by order of the Speaker.

14. Land Reserve Committee.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That Mr. Smart be a Member of the Land Reserves for Public Recreation Committee, in place of the late Colonial Secretary.

15. Public Works Committee.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That Mr. Smart and the Colonial Secretary be Members of the Proposed Board of Public Works Committee, in place of Mr. Jeffreys and the late Colonial Secretary.

10. Annex Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill, with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Council adjourned at half-past six o'clock, until to-morrow at three o'clock.

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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what remedies can be applied for this growing evil.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-The Attorney General, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Allen, The Inspector General of Police, Captain King, Dr. Douglass, and Mr. Parkes.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Arms Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
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2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 10, with Christ Church Trustees' Bill.
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5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 8, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
6. Military Tolls Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Cowper to move:—
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2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a further remittance of $100,000 may be immediately made to the Land and Emigration Commissioners to be expended by them as speedily as possible in promoting Emigration to New South Wales; and that the provisions of the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 42, should not be enforced upon the Emigrants who may be sent out by these funds, or by any balance which may remain from those which have been already transmitted, should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining the requisite number of Emigrants under that system.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Martin to move:—
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(2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalsime the common element of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of this colony in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
(3.) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the nations of the world, and in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present conjuncture, would be insalubriously outweighed by the augemented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.
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(7.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

6. Mr. Holroyd to move:—
(1.) That the Act of Council 19 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that it is rare, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent, on the value of the chattel pledged.
(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not infrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Piété, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnawman twelve months to redeem his goods.
(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Piëtë in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for leading money, the balance of profit might be divided amongst the public within the limits of the laws, so as to ensure the interests of the public.
(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.
7. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a return of all sums of money expended, up to the 31st day of May 1855, in the proposed Erection of the public Abattoirs at Glebe Island.

8. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1.) A Return of the number of Coroner's Inquests held in the Colony of New South Wales, by the Coroner of Districts, exclusive of the City of Sydney, from the 30th June, 1851, to the 31st day of May, 1854, together with the amount of expenses incurred thereby.

(2.) A Return of the number of Magisterial Inquiries held in lieu of Coroner's Inquests during the same period, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquiries were held.

(3.) A Return of the number of Coroner's Inquests held in the City of Sydney, and Police District thereof, from the 30th June, 1851, to the 31st May 1854, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby.

(4.) A Return of Magisterial Inquiries, held within the City and District of Sydney during the same period, together with the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquiries were held.

(5.) A Return of the number of Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries held during the same period, upon which the expenses have been disallowed, with the names of the Coroners and Magistrates holding such Inquests and Inquiries.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 17, relating to the case of Mr. McTaggart Dorsey.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—ORDER OF THE DAY:—


FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Martin to move,—

(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 21 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Committee of Elections and Qualifications.—The undersigned Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications having been sworn at the Table by the Clerk, pursuant to the requirement of the 56th section of the Electoral Act of 1851, viz.:—George Allen, James William Bligh, James Macarthur, William Montagu Manning, and John Bayley Darrell, Esquires:—

The Speaker, pursuant to another requirement of the same section of the said Act, appointed the next Meeting of the said Committee to take place in No. 1 Committee Room, to-morrow, at Twelve o'clock at noon:

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Committee of Elections and Qualifications be directed to inquire into all the matters connected with the appointment of Thomas Prior, Esquire, to be Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, in lieu of David Cannon McConnell, Esquire; and to report whether such appointment was regularly made, and whether the return to the Writ directed by the Honorable the Speaker to David Cannon McConnell, Esquire, is valid.

Debate ceased.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

3. Messages.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

(1.) Aggravated Assaults Bill:—

CH18. A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Vict. cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled "A Bill for the better prevention and punishment of "aggravated Assaults upon Women and Childraun and to amend the Law respecting "recognisances to keep the peace or for good behaviour."

Government House,
Sydney 21 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on this day week.

(2.) Customs Indemnity Bill:—

CH18. A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill to indemnify the Collector and Officers of "Customs in respect of the remission of certain duties of Customs payable at Albury."

Government House,
Sydney 21 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow week.

4. Law of Evidence Bill:—The Governor General’s Message, No. 5, received with this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on Motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill further to amend the Law of Evidence," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow week.

5. Felons’ Bill:—The Governor General’s Message, No. 6, received with this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on Motion of the Attorney General; the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend the Law respecting Felons and other Offenders," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow week.

6. Custody of Infants Bill:—The Governor General’s Message, No. 7, received with this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on Motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intitulated, "A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Custody of "Infants," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow week.

7. Postponements:—

(1.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 12, with the Military Lands Bill postponed, on Motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

(2.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 13, with Letter from the Sydney Railway Company, postponed, on Motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.
8. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill:—The Colonial Secretary moved That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed; Bill read a second time;—
Whereupon, The Colonial Secretary moved That this Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee, to consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Cowper, Captain Dunaresq, Mr. Fisch, Captain King, Mr. William M'cArthur, The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Faires.
Question put and passed.
9. Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 2, with the Public Health Bill postponed, on Motion of the Solicitor General, until this day week.
10. Gold Fields Management Bill:—The Governor General's Message No. 4, received with this Bill on the 6th instant, having been read, on Motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to make permanent the Acts for regulating the Management of the Gold Fields," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.
11. Intemperance: Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to Notice:—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what remedies can be applied for this growing evil.
Question put and passed.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Allen, The Inspector General of Police, Captain King, Dr. Douglas, and Mr. Parkes.
Question put and passed.
12. Arms Bill Reported:—The Report on this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council, having been adopted, on Motion of Mr. Nichols, Bill, as so reported, ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next, Council adjourned at Six o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 9, with Police Disqualifying Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 10, with Christ Church Trustees' Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack's claim to Retiring Allowance.
5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 8, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
6. Military Tolls Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Cowper to move:—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. M'cArthur, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, and Mr. Campbell.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a further remittance of £100,000 may be immediately made to the Land and Emigration Commissioners, to be expended by them as speedily as possible in promoting Emigration to New South Wales; and that the provisions of the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 42, should not be enforced upon the Emigrants who may be sent out by these funds, or by any balance which may remain from those which have been already transmitted, should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining the requisite number of Emigrants under that system.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION.—

1. Mr. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. MARTIN to move:—
   1. That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately taken thoroughly to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say:—
      (1.) The Great Western Road, from Penrith to Bathurst.
      (2.) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
      (3.) The Great Northern Road, from Mainland to the Gap at Murrarundie.
      (4.) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.
   2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spend the expensiveness, as libitum, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled and responsible supervision, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be done, shall be of a permanent character.
   3. That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.

3. Dr. DUNLAP to move:—
   1. That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
   2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Parkes, Captain Durnasque, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.

4. Mr. COWPER to move:—
   1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. PARKES to move,
   1. That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country; and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   2. That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subside into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
   3. That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporary supply to the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be immediately outweighed by the exaggerated difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.
   4. That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no compensating, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.
   5. That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.
   6. That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.
   7. That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

6. Mr. HOLROYD to move:—
   1. That the Act of Connell 13 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.
   2. That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawnnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distresses, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawners twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House; it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Pitié in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

7. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a return of all sums of money expended, up to the 31st day of May 1858, in the proposed erection of the public Abattoirs at Glebe Island.

8. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1.) A Return of the number of Coroner’s Inquests held in the Colony of New South Wales, by the Coroners of Districts, exclusive of the City of Sydney, from the 30th June, 1851, to the 31st day of May, 1854, together with the amount of expenses incurred thereby.

(2.) A Return of the number of Magisterial Inquiries held in lieu of Coroner’s Inquests during the same period, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquiries were held.

(3.) A Return of the number of Coroner’s Inquests held in the City of Sydney, and Police Districts thereof, from the 30th June, 1851, to the 31st May 1854, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby.

(4.) A Return of Magisterial Inquiries, held within the City and District of Sydney during the same period, together with the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquiries were held.

(5.) A Return of the number of Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries held during the same period, upon which the expenses have been disallowed, with the names of the Coroners and Magistrates holding such Inquests and Inquiries.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Arms Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 17, relating to the case of Mr. McCutcheon Dorey.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:


2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 19, with Military Lands Bill.

4. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Letter from the Sydney Railway Company.

5. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.


THURSDAY, JUNE 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Customs Indemnity Bill.

2. Law of Evidence Bill; second reading.

3. Felons’ Bill; second reading.

4. Custody of Infants Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Masters’ and Servants’ Bill; second reading.

Tuesday, July 4.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move,—

(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

CHARLES NICHOLSON.

Speaker.
No. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 22 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—Captain King, one of the Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, having been sworn at the Table by the Clerk, pursuant to the requirement of the 50th section of the Electoral Act of 1851;—

The Speaker reported that William Montagu Manning, Esquire, had this day addressed to him a letter resigning his appointment as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, and laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing Edward Broadhurst, Esquire, to be a Member of the said Committee in his place;—

By Sir Charles Nicholson, Knight, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

"Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in the Speaker of the Legislative Council of New South Wales by the Electoral Act of 1851, I, Sir Charles Nicholson, Knight, as Speaker of the Legislative Council aforesaid, do hereby appoint Edward Broadhurst, Esquire, being a Member of the said Council, to be a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications in the said Act referred to during the present Session of the Council aforesaid, in place of William Montagu Manning, Esquire, who has this day addressed to me, as Speaker aforesaid, a letter resigning his appointment as a Member of the said Committee.

"Given under my hand at the Legislative Council Chamber, Macquarie-street, Sydney, this twenty-second day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

"CHARLES NICHOLSON,
"Speaker."

2. Election Petition:—The Speaker having reported that he had this day received a Petition from the Revd. John Dunmore Lang, Doctor of Divinity, supplemental to the Petition from the Revd. Dr. Lang which was referred to the Committee of Elections and Qualifications on the 20th instant;—

Mr. Cowper moved, That this Petition be also referred to the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

3. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several mentioned Papers:—

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to Petty Sessions Cases throughout the Colony adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 16th December, 1853.

(2.) Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Territorial Revenue for the year 1853.

(3.) Statement of Expenditure in the year 1853, under Schedule A, parts 1, 2, and 3.

(4.) Railway Deposits Account to 31st December, 1853.

(5.) Special Receipts Accounts for the year 1853.

(6.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure by Colonial Agent General from 1st October, 1852, to 30th September, 1853.

(7.) Account of Receipts and Disbursements of Clergy and School Lands Revenue for the year 1853.

(8.) Mr. Stasby's 18th Geological and Mineralogical Report.

(9.) Correspondence with the City Commissioners relative to the issue of money for the Sewerage of and Supply of Water to Sydney.

(10.) Report from the Civil Engineer on the works at Fitz Roy Dock.

(11.) General Correspondence on the subject of Emigration.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Police Disqualifying Bill:—The Governor General's Message No. 9, received with this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to disqualify Officers of the Police Force from being elected Members of the Legislative Council, and to prevent Officers of Police and Constables from interfering in or influencing Elections of Legislative Councillors," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

5. Christ Church Trustees Bill:—The Governor General's Message No. 10, received with
this Bill on the 8th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intitled, "A Bill to enable the Trustees of Christ Church, Sydney, to surrender to the Crown for public purposes, a portion of the Land granted for a Parish in connection with the said Church, and to accept other Land in exchange for the same," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

6. Postponed.—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack's Claim to Retiring Allowance postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.


8. Postponement.—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

9. Military Trials Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Speaker left the chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof. The Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again this day week. Council adjourned, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, at half-past four o'clock, until Tuesday next, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Martin to move,—

(1.) That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately taken thoroughly to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say,—
(2.) The Great Western Road, from Penrith to Bathurst.
(3.) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
(4.) The Great North Road, from Maitland to the Gap at Narragandi.
(5.) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.

2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spread the expenditure, as hitherto, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled and responsible supervision, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be done, shall be of a permanent character.

3. That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request that his Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.

3. Dr. Douglass to move—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Parke, Captain Dummerey, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.

4. Mr. Cowper to move,

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. Parke to move,

(1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
(2.) That such demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subside into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
(3.) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be insanely outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

(4.)
6. Mr. Holroyd to move:—

(1.) That the Act of Council 18 Viet., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst legalising the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation, in allowing the pawnbroker to fix an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not infrequently at the rate of £250 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between himself and the owner) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Montes de Piedad, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawn twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Montes de Piedad in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on personal security, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

7. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a return of all sums of money expended, up to the 31st day of May 1853, in the proposed Erection of the public Abattoirs at Glebe Island.

8. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1.) Return of the number of Coroner's Inquests held in the Colony during the same period, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquests were held.

(2.) Return of the number of Coroner's Inquests held in the City of Sydney, and Police Districts thereof, from the 30th June, 1851, to the 31st day of May, 1854, together with the amount of expenses incurred thereby.

(3.) Return of all Magisterial Inquiries held within the City and District of Sydney during the same period, together with the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such Inquiries were held.

(4.) Return of the number of Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries held during the same period, upon which the expenses have been disallowed, with the names of the Coroner and Magistrates holding such Inquests and Inquiries.

9. Mr. Briscoe to move That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

(1.) Return setting forth the name of the lease or licensed occupant of every Run in the unceded or intermediate Districts, with the name of the Run, the period for which it is situated, the extent thereof, quantity of stock depersoned thereon, the annual rent paid for the same, the date of each lease, the term for which granted, and date of commencement of the term.

(2.) Return of the quantity of land on each Run sold, or applied for by the lessee or licensed occupant thereof, under the pre-emptive right given by the land ordinance, with the date of application to purchase, date of sale, price paid, the extent of reserve made on each run, and the period fixed for the exercise of the pre-emptive right in each District.
10. Mr. Cowper to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. Macarthur, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Hoare, and Mr. Campbell.

11. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a further remittance of £100,000 may be immediately made to the Land and Emigration Commissioners, to be expended by them as speedily as possible in promoting Emigration to New South Wales; and that the provisions of the Act of Council 10 Victoria, No. 42, should not be enforced upon the Emigrants who may be sent out by these funds, or by any balances which may remain from those which have been already transmitted, should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining the requisite number of Emigrants under that system.

12. The Colonial Treasurer to move; That the 51st and 52nd standing orders, be suspended, with a view to the Presentation of a Petition from the Sydney Railway Company for a Private Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Arms Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 17, relating to the case of Mr. M’Taggart Dorsey.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 15, with Communication from Paris Exhibition Commission.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assassins Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.
5. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a well-selected portion of ground, within or adjacent to the city of Sydney, may be granted as a place of Interment for the members of the United Church of England and Ireland.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 19, with Customs’ Indemnity Bill.
2. Law of Evidence Bill; second reading.
3. Felons’ Bill; second reading.
4. Custody of Infants Bill; second reading.
5. Police Disqualifying Bill; second reading.
6. Christ Church Trustees’ Bill; second reading.
7. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack’s claim to Retiring Allowance.
8. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
9. Military Tolls Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Masters’ and Servants’ Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Martin to move,—
(1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
(2) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

2. Mr. Flood to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the following matters, namely;—1st. The stability of the work already completed and now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company;—2nd. The mode of contracting for the several works of the Company;—3rd. The nature of the security held by Government for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to said Company.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Marsh.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 27 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Declaration of War against Russia; the following Message from His Excellency the
   Governor General received and read:—
   CHAS. A. FITZ ROY,
   Governor General.
   The Governor General sends no time in placing before the Legislative Council
   a copy of a Despatch which he received yesterday from the Secretary of State for the
   Colonies transmitting copies of the Queen's declaration of the 28th March last of
   Her Majesty's intention to take up arms in conjunction with the Emperor of the
   French for the defence of the Sultan against Russia; and also Her Majesty's declaration
   of the same date of Her intention to waive certain belligerent rights appertaining to Her Majesty by the Law of Nations.
   Government House,
   Sydney, 27 June, 1854.
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents, and taken into
   consideration to-morrow.

2. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned
   Papers:—
   (1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Inquest on the late Isabella
       Osborne adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 13th instant.
   (2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the withdrawal of permission to sell
       Spirit at Bombala in quantities not less than two gallons adopted, on motion of
       Mr. Egan, on the 20th instant.
   (3.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Light House on Gabo Island
       adopted, on motion of Mr. Parkes, on the 13th instant.
   (4.) The second Report of the Proceedings of the City Commissioners, exclusive of
       their operations under the Sewerage and Water Acts, from 1st January to 31st of
       May, 1854.
   Ordered to be printed.

3. Petition to the Widow and Daughter of the late Captain Flinders:—The following
   Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—
   CHAS. A. FITZ ROY,
   Governor General.
   The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the copy of a
   letter addressed to him by Mrs. Anne Patrice, the Daughter of the late Captain
   Flinders, in acknowledgment of the Petition conferred on the Widow and Daughter
   of that gallant and lamented officer by a Vote of the Council.
   Government House,
   Sydney, 27 June, 1854.
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying letter.

4. Nobby's Island:—Mr. Cowper presented a petition from certain inhabitants of the City
   of Newcastle, masters of vessels, and others trading in the port of Newcastle, praying
   that Nobby's Island may not be destroyed or reduced without further investigation.
   Petition received.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name first on the
   Notice Paper for to-day, until this day three weeks.

6. Leading Highways of the Colony:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice.—
   1. "That this House is of opinion, that vigorous proceedings should be immediately
       taken thoroughly to make the leading Highways of the Colony, that is to say,—
       (1.) The Great Western Road, from Penrith to Bathurst.
       (2.) The Great Southern Road, from Camden to Goulburn.
       (3.) The Great Northern Road, from Maitland to the Gap at Murramund.
       (4.) The Great Road from Ipswich to the Gap at Drayton.
   2. That the proper course to accomplish that object will be, not to spread
       the expenditure, as hitherto, over a wide surface, but to concentrate it, under skilled
       and responsible supervision, over a limited space, so that whatever work may be
       done, shall be of a permanent character.
   3. That these Resolutions be communicated to the Governor General, with a request
       that His Excellency will take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.
   Debate ensued.
Mr. Cowper moved, That the question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word “That” at the commencement thereof, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “A Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the practical adoption of the existing Roads, and to report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.”

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. W. Macarthur, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Murray.

Debate continued.

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

Question.—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be as inserted—put and passed.

Whereupon Question (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony, put and passed.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. William Macarthur, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Murray, put and passed.

7. Carangara Copper Mining Company.—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from George Allen, John Alexander, John Fairfax, Samuel Haddlewhite, and David Jones, Directors and Proprietors of the Carangara Copper Mining Company, praying leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the said Company.

Petition received. Mr. Cowper then produced the Government Gazette and the Sydney Morning Herald newspaper, containing notices for four consecutive weeks in the month of June current, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

8. Immigration.—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice:

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.

Question put and passed.

(2) That such Select Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Parkes, Captain Dunareen, Captain King, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Martin.

Question put and passed.

9. Postponements:

(1) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

(2) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday, the 7th July next.

(3) Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

10. Public Abattoirs at Glebe Island.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a return of all sums of money expended, up to the 31st day of May 1864, in the proposed erection of the public Abattoirs at Glebe Island.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. Coroners' Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1) A Return of the number of Coroners' Inquests held in the Colony of New South Wales, by the Coroners of Districts, exclusive of the City of Sydney, from the 30th June, 1861, to the 31st day of May, 1864, together with the amount of expenses incurred thereby.

(2) A Return of the number of Magisterial Inquiries held in lieu of Coroners' Inquests during the same period, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such inquiries were held.

(3) A Return of the number of Coroners' Inquests held in the City of Sydney, and Police Districts thereof, from the 30th June, 1861, to the 31st May 1864, together with an account of the expenses incurred thereby.

(4) A Return of Magisterial Inquiries, held within the City and District of Sydney during the same period, together with the expenses incurred thereby, and the names of the Magistrates before whom such inquiries were held.

(5) A Return of the number of Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries held during the same period, upon which the expenses have been disallowed, with the names of the Coroners and Magistrates holding such Inquests and Inquiries.

(6) A nominal Return of Medical Witnesses examined—showing whether legally qualified, the number of Inquests and post mortems to each; the verdicts returned; the amount received by each Medical Witness; and the cases in which death resulted from intemperance, so far as they can be ascertained.

Question put and passed.

12. Postponements.—Mr. Bligh postponed the motion standing in his name, ninth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
13. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Cowper withdrew the motion standing in his name, eleven lines on the Notice Paper for to-day.

14. Sydney Railway Company:—The Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice—that the 51st and 52nd standing orders be suspended; with a view to the presentation of a Petition from the Sydney Railway Company for a Private Bill. Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, the Colonial Treasurer presented a Petition from the Sydney Railway Company praying leave to introduce a private Bill to authorise the enclosure of a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Company to appropriate the same; and setting forth that notice of the intention to apply for such Bill had been given for four consecutive weeks in the months of February and March last, in the Government Gazette and the Sydney Morning Herald, and the Empire newspapers. Petition received.

15. Arms Bill, on Motion of Mr. Nicholls, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Nicholls then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to continue an Act, intitled, 'An Act to regulate the carrying of Fire-Arms and other Offensive Weapons.'"
Question put and passed.

16. Postponement:—The Consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 17, relating to the case of Mr. McTeggart Dorsey, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
Counsel adjourned at twenty minutes after Six o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

Casting vote.—Mr. Cowper to move, (on motion made to take into consideration the Governor General's message No. 20, announcing the Declaration of War against Russia,) that the following Address to Her Majesty be adopted by this Council, viz.:—

We, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, in Council assembled, having heard from Your Majesty's Royal Proclamation, dated Buckingham House, 28th of March, 1854, that the anxious efforts of Your Majesty and of Your Majesty's Advisers for preserving the blessings of peace have been unsuccessful, and that in concert with Your Majesty's Ally, the Emperor of the French, it has been deemed necessary to declare War against the Emperor of Russia, offer Your Majesty the expression of our unfeigned loyalty to Your Majesty's Crown and Person, and of our hearty sympathy with those just principles by which Your Majesty and Your Majesty's Ministers have been guided in so momentous a crisis.

Uniting in that sentiment of cordial approval of the policy of Your Majesty's Government which has been manifested by the great body of our fellow subjects throughout the British Empire, we most earnestly pray that, under the favour of Divine Providence, Your Majesty's Arms may be crowned with success; and we humbly assure Your Majesty that, as far as in us lies, we are prepared to adopt all necessary measures for resisting external aggression, and for upholding and maintaining Your Majesty's Royal Authority in this distant portion of Your Majesty's Dominions.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 15, with Communication from Paris Exhibition Commission.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.
5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 2, with Public Health Bill.
7. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 20, announcing Declaration of War against Russia.
8. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 17, relating to the case of Mr. McTeggart Dorsey.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a well-selected portion of ground, within or adjacent to the city of Sydney, may be granted as a place of interment for the members of the United Church of England and Ireland.

2. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor-General praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1.) A report of the progress which has been made in opening the proposed line of road from Redwood to the River Clyde.
   (2.) A copy of all correspondence which has taken place in reference to the above-mentioned work.

THURSDAY,
THURSDAY, JUNE 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 19, with Customs' Indemnity Bill.
2. Law of Evidence Bill; second reading.
3. Pelops' Bill; second reading.
4. Custody of Infants Bill; second reading.
5. Police Disqualifying Bill; second reading.
6. Christ Church Trustees' Bill; second reading.
7. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack's claim to Retiring Allowance.
8. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
9. Military Tolls Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. MR. COWPER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
2. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 40th section of the Sydney Police Act, 4th William IV., No. 7, so as to afford relief to persons driving drays with one horse in the City of Sydney.
3. MR. BIGHT to move That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1.) A Return setting forth the name of the lessee or licensed occupant of every Run in the unsettled or intermediate Districts, with the name of the Run, the District in which it is situated, the extent thereof, quantity of stock departed thereon, the annual rent paid for the same, the date of each lease, the term for which granted, and date of commencement of the term.
   (2.) A Return of the quantity of land on each Run sold, or applied for by the lessee or licensed occupant thereof, under the pre-emptive right given by the land orders; with the date of application to purchase, date of sale, price paid, the extent of reserve made on each run, and the period fixed for the exercise of the pre-emptive right in each district.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. MR. MARTIN to move:
   (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
   (2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.
2. MR. FLOOD to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the following matters, namely:—1st. The stability of the work already completed and now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company;—2nd. The mode of contracting for the several works of the Company;—And 3rd. The nature of the security held by Government for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to the said Company.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—MR. MARTIN, MR. NICHOLS, MR. BLIGH, MR. FINCH, MR. W. MACARTHUR, MR. PARKES, MR. MURRAY, MR. MORRIS, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND MR. MARSH.
3. MR. HOLCOY to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Maloney, as recommended by their Honors the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—MR. MARTIN, MR. DOUGLAS, MR. MORRIS, MR. COWPER, MR. BLIGH, MR. MURRAY, AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.
4. MR. COWPER to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL; MR. MURRAY, MR. JAMES MACARTHUR, CAPT. KING, MR. PARKES, MR. MARTIN, MR. ALLEN, AND MR. MACLEAY.
5. Mr. Holroyd to move:—

(1) That the Act of Council 13 Vict. No. 37, (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalises the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation, in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advances made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawnor and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Marches de Piéth, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Marches de Piéth in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishments for lending money on pledges, the balance of profit might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. Mr. Nicholson to move:—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Flood, Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, Captain King, Mr. Egan, and Dr. Douglass.

7. The Colonial Treasurer to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same.

FRIDAY, JULY 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Parke to move:

(1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.

(2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall assiduously and vitally supply the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(3) That the introduction of a coloured or inferior race, for the purpose of tempora- rily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irredeemable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be inconsiderably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any, real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisite for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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2. Mr. Nichols to move,—

(1.) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,

Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 28 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Colonial Government Vessel.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CIT A FITZ ROY. Message No. 22.
Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council copies of a correspondance which has taken place with a view of ascertaining the probable cost of maintaining a small vessel for the general purposes of the Government, but more especially in keeping up proper communication with the Light Houses on the coast, a course which recent circumstances have demonstrated to be both more convenient and economical than the present practice of chartering private vessels for particular services,—and as a favorable opportunity presents itself of procuring a suitable vessel, His Excellency would desire to be favored with an early expression of the Council's views on this subject.

Government House.
Sydney 28 June 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Correspondence, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

2. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undementioned Papers:

(1) The Return to the Address in reference to the Road between Bradwood and the Clyde adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 15th December, 1853.

(2) The Annual Statistical Returns.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Gold Specimens for Paris Exhibition in 1855.—The Governor General's Message No. 15 having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Secretary moved:

(1) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 15, of the 13th instant, are of opinion that it is expedient that a loan, to the extent of £5,000 should be made to the Paris Exhibition Commissioners for New South Wales from the General Revenue—such sum to be expended in the purchase of Specimens of New South Wales Gold—and the proceeds of the sale of the Gold after its exhibition, whether more or less than that sum, to be refunded to the Colony.

(2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, communicating the foregoing Resolution.

Debate ensued.
Question put.
Council divided.

Ayes, 22.
Mr. Fitzgerald.
Mr. Egan.
Mr. H. Osborne.
Mr. Nichols.
Dr. Douglas.
Mr. Smart.
Mr. Dohie.
Mr. Cowper.
The Solicitor General.
Mr. Campbell.
The Colonial Treasurer.
Mr. Flood.
Mr. W. Macarthur.
Mr. Murray.
Mr. Bradley.
Mr. Thurloe.
Mr. Barker.
Mr. Allen.
Mr. Dohe.
Mr. Rhig.
The Auditor General.
Mr. Morris.
The Postmaster General.
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Parker.
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands.
Mr. F. Martin.
Mr. A. Osborne.
The Inspectors General of Police.
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Berry.
The Collector of Customs.
Mr. Parker.
The Attorney General.
Mr. Parker.
The Colonial Secretary.

Noes, 13.
Mr. Marsh.
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Finch.
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Parkes.
Mr. Martin.

4. Postponements:

(1) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 18, with the Aggravated Assasults Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

(2) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 12, with the Military Lands Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

5. Sydney Railway Company.—The Governor General's Message No. 13 having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Secretary moved:

(1) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 15, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient
expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.

(2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General transmitting a copy of this Resolution.

Debate ceased.

Mr. Murray moved, That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

Question, on the motion for adjournment of the debate until Wednesday next, put and passed.

6. Postponements:
   (1) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 2, with the Public Health Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until this day week.
   (2) The second reading of the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day fortnight.

7. Declaration of War against Russia.—The Governor General's Message No. 20, of yesterday's date, announcing the Declaration of War against Russia, having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended contingent notice, That the following Address to Her Majesty be adopted by this Council, viz.:

We, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, in Council assembled, having learnt from Your Majesty's Declaration of War, dated Westminster, 28th of March, 1854, that the anxious efforts of Your Majesty and of Your Majesty's Advisers for preserving the blessings of peace have been unsuccessful, and that in concert with Your Majesty's Ally, the Emperor of the French, it has been deemed necessary to declare War against the Emperor of Russia, offer Your Majesty the expression of our unsung loyalty to Your Majesty's Crown and Person, and of our hearty sympathy with those just principles by which Your Majesty and Your Majesty's Ministers have been guided in so momentous a crisis.

Uniting in that sentiment of cordial approval of the policy of Your Majesty's Government which has been manifested by the great body of our fellow subjects throughout the British Empire, we most earnestly pray that, under the favour of Divine Providence, Your Majesty's Arms may be crowned with success; and we humbly assure Your Majesty that, as far as in us lies, we are prepared to adopt all necessary measures for resisting external aggression, and for upholding and maintaining Your Majesty's Royal Authority in this distant portion of Your Majesty's Dominions.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That this Council do proceed, on Friday next, at half-past Two o'clock, to Government House, there to present to His Excellency the Governor General the foregoing Address for transmission to Her Majesty.

Question put and passed.

8. Mr. McTaggart Dorsey.—The Governor General's Message No. 17 having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary.

The Attorney General moved,

(1) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 17, of the 20th instant, are of opinion that Mr. McTaggart Dorsey should be indemnified for the expenses incurred by him in the action brought against him by one Bernard Harley, for acts done in his Magisterial capacity.

(2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General communicating the foregoing Resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

Council divided.

Ayes, 17:—
The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Flood,
The Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper,
The Attorney General, Mr. Campbell,
The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Tindal,
Dr. Douglas, Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Egara, Mr. Holroyd,
The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Darrell,
Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Martin,
Mr. Barker, Mr. Morris,
Mr. Parker, Teller.
Mr. Macaulay, Teller.

Noes, 10:—
Mr. McTaggart Dorsey,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Parker,
The Postmaster General,
Mr. Allen,
The Auditor General,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Murray,
Teller.
Mr. Macaulay, Teller.

9. Postponements:
   (1) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
   (2) Mr. Murray postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

Council adjourned at half-past Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 10, with Customs’ Indemnity Bill.
2. Law of Evidence Bill; second reading.
3. Felons’ Bill; second reading.
4. Custody of Infants Bill; second reading.
5. Police Disqualifying Bill; second reading.
6. Christ Church Trustees’ Bill; second reading.
7. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 11, with Mr. Stack’s claim to Retiring Allowance.
8. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.
9. Military Tolls Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Coopera to move leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Casagama Copper Mining Company.
2. Mr. Coopera to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a well-selected portion of ground, within or adjacent to the city of Sydney, may be granted as a place of Intervent for the members of the United Church of England and Ireland.
3. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—
   (1.) A report of the progress which has been made in opening the proposed line of road from Bradwood to the River Clyde.
   (2.) A copy of all correspondences which has taken place in reference to the above-mentioned work.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Parkera to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
2. Mr. Parkera to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 40th section of the Sydney Police Act, 4th William IV., No. 7, so as to afford relief to persons driving drays with one horse in the City of Sydney.
3. Mr. Higha to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—
   (1.) A Return setting forth the name of the lessee or licensed occupant of every Run in the unsettled or intermediate Districts, with the name of the Run, the District in which it is situated, the extent thereof, quantity of stock depastured thereon, the annual rent paid for the same, the date of each lease, the term for which granted, and date of commencement of the term.
   (2.) A Return of the quantity of land on each Run sold, or applied for by the lessee or licensed occupant thereof, under the pro-emptive right given by the land orders; with the date of application to purchase, date of sale, price paid, the extent of reserve made on each run, and the period fixed for the exercise of the pro-emptive right in each District.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Masters’ and Servants’ Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Martin to move—
   (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
   (2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.
2. Mr. Flood to move—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the following matters, namely—1st. The stability of the work already completed and now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company;—2nd. The mode of contracting for the several works of the Company;—And 3rd. The nature of the security held by Government for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to the said Company.
   (2.) That each Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Martin, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Murrah.
3. Mr. Holroyd to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Maloney, as recommended by their Honors the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglas, Mr. Murrin, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

4. Mr. Cowper to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macdonley.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move:—

(1.) That the Act of Council 18 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not infrequently at the rate of 6130 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawnree) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which proceeds with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monte de Pilé, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnee twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monte de Pilé in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. Mr. Nicholas to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.

(2.) That such Committees consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Flood, Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, Captain King, Mr. Cogan, and Dr. Douglas.

7. The Colonial Treasurer to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.

3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the Colonial Secretary's Motion,—

"(1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 8th January last which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.

"(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a copy of this Resolution."


FRIDAY, JULY 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Parkes to move,

(1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.

(2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(9)
(3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreconcilable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be incalculably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, these pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and leaving for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. Nichols to move,—

(1.) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

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**Wednesday, July 12.**

**Government business—order of the day.**

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

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**Tuesday, July 18.**

**Notice of motion:**—

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,

*Speaker.*
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 20 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—Mr. Chisholm, one of the Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, sworn at the Table by the Clerk, pursuant to the requirement of the 53th section of the Electoral Act of 1851.

2. John Fagan:—Mr. Martin presented a petition from John Fagan, late a constable in the Police, representing that he had served upwards of ten years in that force; that on one occasion he had been grievously injured in his legs while in the performance of his duty; and that notwithstanding he was subsequently discharged as unfit for further service, he has been unable as yet to obtain any pension or other allowance;—and praying relief.

Petition received.

3. Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the table the Copy of the Report from the Senate of the University of Sydney for the year 1853.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Customs Indemnity Bill.—The Governor General's Message No. 19, received with this Bill on the 21st instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to indemnify the Collector and Officers of " Customs in respect of the remission of certain Duties of Customs payable at " Albury," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

5. Law of Evidence Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the report to stand an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

6. Felons' Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the report to stand an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

7. Hyde of Infants' Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

8. Police Disqualifying Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the report to stand an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

9. Christ Church Trustees' Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair; and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

10. Postponements:—
(1) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 11, in reference to Mr. Stack's Claim to Retiring Allowance postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
(2) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 3, with the Common Lodging Houses Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until Wednesday next.

11. Military Tolls' Bill.—The Colonial Secretary moved, That, the Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee, be now discharged from the Paper. Debate ceased.

Question put and passed.
12. Colonial Government Vessel:—The Governor General's Message No. 22 having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary.
   The Colonial Secretary moved,—
   (1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 22, of the 28th instant, is of opinion that it is expedient to purchase a Vessel for the general purposes of the Government, but more especially for keeping up proper communication with the Light Houses on the Coast, at a cost not to exceed four thousand pounds.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General communicating the foregoing Resolution.
   Debate ensued.
   Mr. Flood moved the Previous Question.
   Debate continued.
   Previous Question by leave withdrawn.
   Original Question by leave withdrawn.

13. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until next Friday week.

14. United Church of England and Ireland Cemetery:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that a well-selected portion of ground, within or adjacent to the city of Sydney, may be granted as a place of Interment for the members of the United Church of England and Ireland.
   Debate ensued.
   Motion by leave withdrawn.

15. Road from Braidwood to the Clyde:—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Report stating the expenditure which has been incurred, and the progress which has been made, in opening the proposed line of Road from Braidwood to the River Clyde.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.
   Council adjourned, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, at Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at a Quarter after Two o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30.

MEnv:—The Council met at a quarter after Two o'clock to-day, to proceed to Government House, there, at halfpast Two o'clock, to present to His Excellency the Governor General their Address to the Queen on occasion of Her Majesty's Declaration of War against Russia.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 40th section of the Sydney Police Act, 4th William IV., No. 7, so as to afford relief to persons driving drays with one horse in the City of Sydney.

3. Mr. Beech to move That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1.) A Return setting forth the name of the lessee or licensed occupant of every Run in the unsettled or intermediate Districts, with the name of the Run, the District in which it is situated, the extent thereof, quantity of stock deposited thereon, the annual rent paid for the same, the date of each lease, the term for which granted, and date of commencement of the term.
   (2.) A Return of the quantity of land on each Run sold, or applied for by the lessee or licensed occupant thereof, under the pre-emptive right given by the land orders; with the date of application to purchase, date of sale, price paid, the extent of reserve made on each run, and the period fixed for the exercise of the pre-emptive right in each District.

4. Mr. Martin to move, that the Petition presented by him yesterday from John Fagan, late a Constable in the Sydney Police Force, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

1. Mr. Martin to move:—
   (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
2. Mr. Flood to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the
following matters, namely:—1st. The stability of the work already completed and
now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company;—2nd. The mode of contracting for
the general works of the Company;—And 3rd. The nature of the security held by Govern-
ment for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to the said
Company.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr.
Nicholls, Mr. High, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Murray, Mr.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the
causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Moloney, as recommended by their Honors
the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Dr.
Douglas, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

4. Mr. Cowper to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures
can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits
more extensively, throughout the Colony.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney
General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King,
Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move:—
(1) That the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers’ Act),
whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation allowing the
pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he is rarely, if
ever, advances more than fifty per cent, on the value of the chattel pledged.
(2) That notwithstanding the rashness of the advanced made, and the high rate of
interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum),
the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the
pawnor and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months;
asystem which, press with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain
temporary pecuniary accommodation.
(3) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the
Monts de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit
to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per
cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value of articles of plate and jewellry,
and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnor twelve
months to redeem his goods.
(4) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of
Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the
Monts de Pitié in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may
be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on
deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on
pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.
(5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above
Regulations, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down
to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. Mr. Nicholls to move:—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating
the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.

7. The Colonial Treasurer to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorise the
enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the
Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same.

Wednesday, July 5.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:—
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assault Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.
3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the Colonial Secretary’s Motion,—
   "(1) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excel-
   lency the Governor General No. 13, of the 10th June, 1854, is of opinion that it
   is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the
   extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the
   31st January last which accompanied His Excellency’s said Message.
   (2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, trans-
   mitting a copy of this Resolution.”
5. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
6. Folios’ Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
7. Custody of Infants Bill; third reading.
8. Police Disqualifying Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
9. Christ Church Trustees' Bill; third reading.
10. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, respecting Mr. Stack's claim to Retiring Allowance.
11. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

THURSDAY, JULY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Customs' Indemnity Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, JULY 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Parke to move,
   (1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   (2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
   (3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be inconsiderably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.
   (4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any, real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.
   (5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.
   (6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.
   (7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1) That so authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.
   (2) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.
3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carnavara Copper Mining Company.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.
1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
FRIDAY, 30 JUNE, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Declaration of War against Russia:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Council proceeded to Government House, there to present to His Excellency the Governor General their Address to the Queen on occasion of Her Majesty's Declaration of War against Russia.

The Council having returned, the Speaker reported that the Council had been to Government House, and had there presented to the Governor General their Address to the Queen on occasion of the Declaration of War against Russia, with a request that His Excellency would transmit the same to Her Majesty;—and that His Excellency had been pleased to make to their request the following answer:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

I will take the earliest opportunity to forward to the Secretary of State for the Colonies the Address which you have now placed in my hands in order that it may be laid at the Foot of the Throne without loss of time; and I beg to assure you that it affords me much gratification to be the medium of communicating to Our Most Gracious Sovereign the loyal sentiments which animate the Representatives of Her Majesty's Subjects in this portion of the British Empire, and their hearty sympathy on this occasion, when the earnest efforts of Her Majesty to preserve Peace have proved unsuccessful.

G. A. FITZ ROY.

Government House
Sydney, 30 June 1854.

2. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to day, until Friday next.

3. One Horse Draught Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 40th section of the Sydney Police Act, 6th William IV., No. 7, so as to afford relief to persons driving draught horses in the City of Sydney.

Question put and passed; Ordered That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

4. Squatters' Runs and Pre-emptive Rights:—Mr Bligh moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

   1. A Return setting forth the name of the lessee or licensed occupant of every Run in the unsettled or intermediate Districts, with the name of the Run, the District in which it is situated, the extent thereof, quantity of stock depastured thereon, the annual rent paid for the same, the date of each lease, the term for which granted, and date of commencement of the term.

   2. A Return of the quantity of land on each Run sold, or applied for by the lessees or licensed occupant thereof, under the pre-emptive right given by the land orders; with the date of application to purchase, date of sale, price paid, the extent of reserve made on each run, and the period fixed for the exercise of the pre-emptive right in each District.

Question put and passed.

5. One Horse Draught Bill:—Mr. Parkes having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend so much of the Act IV., William IV., No. 7, for regulating the Police in the Town and Port of Sydney, as restricts Drivers of Draughts guided by runs from riding thereon," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

6. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—Mr. Broadhurst, one of the Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, sworn at the Table by the Clerk, pursuant to the requirement of the 58th section of the Electoral Act of 1851.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 4.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—

1. Mr. Martin to move,—
   (1) That the House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
   (2) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

2. Mr. Flood to move—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the following matters, namely:—1st. The stability of the work already completed and now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company;—2nd. The mode of contracting for the several works of the Company;—And 3rd. The nature of the security held by Government for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to the said Company.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Marsch.

3. Mr. Hoiloyd to move—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Maloney, as recommended by their Honors the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

4. Mr. Cowper to move—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Mackey.

5. Mr. Hoiloyd to move—
   (1) That the Act of Council 13 Viet., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.
   (2) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unto a special agreement be entered into between the pawnor and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
   (3) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the poor, with the utmost economy, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value of articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.
   (4) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Pitié in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.
   (5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.
6. Mr. Nicholas to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. Flood, Colonel Barney, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Park, Captain King, Mr. Egan, and Dr. Davidson.

7. The Colonial Treasurer to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorise the enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same.

8. Mr. A. Osborn to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
   (1) A Return of all Licensed Bonded Stores in the Colony, with the date of each License and names of the proprietors.
   (2) A Return of the quantity of Spirits and Tobacco bonded since 1st January, 1858, and the quantity at present on hand; distinguishing the quantities owned by the respective proprietors of the Bonded Stores.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 12, with Military Landa Bill.
3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the Colonial Secretary's Motion,—
   "(1) That this Council has taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency to renew the Governor General No. 18, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.
   "(2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a copy of this Resolution."
5. Law of Evidence bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
6. Selons' Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
7. Custody of Infants Bill; third reading.
8. Police Disqualifying Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
9. Christ Church Trustees' Bill; third reading.
10. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 11, respecting Mr. Slack's claim to Reinvest Allowance.
11. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

THURSDAY, JULY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Customs' Indemnity Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parkes to move,
   (1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   (2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall abide into and vitally affect the common elements of colonizing enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
   (3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreconcilable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present conjecture, would be inconsiderably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.
   (4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5)
(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. NichoIs to move,—

(1.) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company.

4. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Fort of Sydney.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. One Horse Dray Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Nepean Bridge:—Mr. Darwall presented a Petition from R. Fitzgerald, Chairman of the Penrith Nepean Bridge Company, praying leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Nepean Bridge Act.

Petition received.

Mr. Darwall then produced the Government Gazette and the Sydney Morning Herald Newspaper, containing Notice for four consecutive weeks in the Months of May and June last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

2. Election Petition:—Mr. James Macarthu, in Chairman, brought up the Report from the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, declaring the Election lately had of a Member to serve in the Legislative Council for the Electoral District of the County of Stanley, in room of John Richardson, Esquire, resigned, to have been and to be wholly void—and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several Undermentioned Papers:—

(1.) A further Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 14th March, 1854, in reference to Emigration.

(2.) The Report from the Immigration Agent, for the year 1853.

Ordered to be printed.

4. City Endowment:—In answer to a question put to him by Mr. Parkes, the Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Letter from the City Commissioners, dated 29th May last, in reference to Endowment for the City of Sydney, with the Colonial Secretary’s answer thereto, dated the 19th June following.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Charles Windyer, Esq.:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from Charles Windyer, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, praying increase of pension.

Petition received.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Martin postponed the Motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

7. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Flood withdrew the Motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, substituting a contingent Motion to be moved to-morrow.

8. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Flood on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd third on the Notice Paper, until after the other Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

(2.) Mr. Cowper postponed the Motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Thursday next.

(3.) Dr. Douglass, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd fifth on the Notice Paper, until after the other Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

9. Navigation of the River Hunter:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. Flood, Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, Captain King, Mr. Egan, and Dr. Douglass.

Question—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle—put and passed.

Question—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. Flood, Colonel Barney, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Park, Captain King, Mr. Egan, and Dr. Douglass—put and passed.

10. Postponement:—The Attorney General, on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer, postponed the Motion standing in the name of the Colonial Treasurer seventh on the Notice Paper, until after the other Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.
11. Bonded Stores:—Mr. A. Osborne moved, pursuant to amended notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1.) A Return of all Licensed Bonded Stores in the Colony, with the date of each Licence and names of the proprietors.
   (2.) A Return of the quantity of Spirits and Tobacco bonded since 1st January, 1858, and the quantity at present on hand; distinguishing the quantities entered by the respective proprietors of the Bonded Stores.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

12. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read.
   (1.) Buildings for Branch of the Royal Mint—
   CHIT A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.
   In pursuance of the intimation conveyed in the 12th paragraph of the Governor General’s Opening Address, His Excellency now transmits to the Legislative Council a Plan and Estimate for the erection of the Buildings requisite to form an Establishment for a Branch of the Royal Mint, and likewise a separate Plan and Estimate for converting the Buildings at present occupied as Military Staff Offices into Mint Offices, and erecting the requisite Buildings for the Mint Establishment in connexion therewith.
   As it is very desirable that no delay should take place in commencing the necessary Buildings according to the Plan that may be eventually determined upon, the Governor General would desire to be favorized with an early expression of the views of the Council upon the subject.
   Government House, Sydney 4 July 1854
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents.
   (2.) Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill—
   CHIT A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.
   In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the draft of a Bill, intituled “A Bill to increase the remuneration of the Commissioners of the Court of Claims to Grants of Land, and of the Secretary of the said Court.”
   Government House, Sydney, 4 July, 1854.
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow week.

13. Patrick Mallory:—Mr. Holroyd moved pursuant to Notice.
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Mallory, as recommended by their Honors the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:- Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.
   Debate ensued.
   Question—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Mallory, as recommended by their Honors the Judges; and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers—put and passed.
   Question—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:- Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General—put and passed.

14. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

15. Sydney Railway Company’s Bill; the Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed: Ordered that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

16. Postponement; the second reading of the Masters’ and Servants’ Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

17. Sydney Railway Company’s Bill; the Colonial Treasurer having presented this Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public use of the Colony and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled “A Bill to authorize the enclosure of a part of George-street in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same, read a first time. Council adjourned at five o’clock, until to-morrow, at three o’clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5.

Contingent.—Mr. Flood to move, (on motion made for the resumption of the adjourned debate on the Colonial Secretary’s motion in reference to the Sydney Railway)—

(1.) That the motion of the Honorable The Colonial Secretary be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Marsch.

(3.) That it be an instruction to the Committee to inquire into and report upon—

1st.—The stability of the work already completed and now in progress by the Sydney Railway Company.

2nd.—The mode of contracting for the several works of the Company.

3rd.—The nature of the security held by the Government for the proper and efficient expenditure of all moneys advanced to the said Company.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 12, with Military Lands Bill.

3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the Colonial Secretary’s Motion,—

"(1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency’s said Message.

"(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a copy of this Resolution."


5. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

6. Felons’ Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

7. Custody of Infants Bill; third reading.

8. Police Disqualifying Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

9. Christ Church Trustees’ Bill; third reading.

10. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 11, respecting Mr. Stock’s claim to Retiring Allowances.

11. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move—

That the Petition presented by him yesterday from Charles Windover, Esq., be printed

2. Mr. Cowper to move—

That the Petition presented by him on the 27th ultimo in reference to the contemplated destruction of Nobby’s Island, be referred to the Select Committee on the Navigation of the River Hunter.

THURSDAY, JULY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Customs’ Indemnity Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parkes to move,

(1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.

(2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitally the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(8.)
(5) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deprecated, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present conjuncture, would be incomparably outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from such denuming the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. Nicholas to move—

(1) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and his companions.

(2) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company.

4. Mr. Parker to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

5. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1) A return of the amount and tonnage of all Vessels entered inwards at the Port of Newcastle, from the 31st March, 1854, up to the 30th June, 1854, including those employed in the coasting trade.

(2) A return of the value (as near as may be) of Produce exported from that port during the same period.

(3) A return of the quantity (as near as may be) of Coals exported during the same period, and the estimated value thereof.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. One Horse Dray Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 11.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Darvall to move—

For leave to bring in a Bill to amend “the Penrhyn Navean Bridge Act.”

2. Mr. Martin to move—

(1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

3. Mr. Norris to move—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.

(2) That the said Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Noyce, Mr. Mars, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutor.

4. Mr. Parker to move—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney, to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Captain King, the Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.

(3) That it be an Instruction to such Committees to direct their attention especially to the probable number of children, the sons of seafaring persons and others, now growing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who,
who, if educated for the sea and properly apprenticed on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and also to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move:—

(1.) That the Act of Council 19 Vint., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that it is rare that, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum,) the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawnoo) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pauper twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Pitié in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 24, with Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill.

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TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 5 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from certain
   proprietors of Shares in the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company, praying leave
   to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the said Company.
   Petition received.
   Mr. Cowper then produced the Government Gazette, and the Sydney Morning
   Herald, and the Empire newspapers, containing notice for four consecutive weeks in
   the months of May and June last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

2. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.—Mr. Holroyd presented a
   Petition from George Alfred Lloyd and Elias Carpenter Weakes, Directors and
   Managers of the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company, praying leave to
   introduce a Bill to Incorporate the said Company.
   Petition received.
   Mr. Holroyd then produced the Government Gazette and the Sydney Morning Herald
   newspaper, containing notice for four consecutive weeks in the months of June and
   July, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

3. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several aforementioned
   Papers:
   (1) The Report from the Health Officer of Port Jackson, for the year 1853.
   (2) The Report from the Denominational School Board, for the year 1853.
   Ordered to be printed.

4. Postponement.—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 18, with
   the Aggravated Assaults Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until
   this day week.

5. Military Lands Bill.—The Governor General's Message No. 12, received with this Bill
   on the 13th June last, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the
   accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to authorize the resumption or occupation and
   "use of any Lands required for purposes of Military Defence, and to make compen-
   "sation to the owners thereof," read a first time; to be read a second time this day
   week.

6 Sydney Railway Company.—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of the Colonial
   Secretary.
   "(1) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Exce-
   lency the Governor General No. 18, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it
   "would be inexpedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, in
   "the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of
   "the 81st January last, which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.
   "(2) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, in
   "compliance with this Resolution,"—resoluted.

Mr. Martin then moved that the Question be amended by the omission of all the words
following the word 'That,' at the commencement thereof, with a view to the
insertion in their place of the words "the Message of His Excellency the Governor
General No. 18, of the 13th June, 1854, be referred to a Select Committee, to
report thereon, and on all matters relating thereto."

(2) That such Committees consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr.
Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, The
"Attorney General, and Mr. Flood."

Debate continued.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Question put on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow.
Counsel divided.

Ayes. 21.
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Attorney General,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Thorlow,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. G. Bowmayn,
Mr. Berry,
Mr. Childers,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Dobie,
Mr. W. Bowmayn,
Captain King,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Kentley,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Bragg.
Mr. Gladstone,
Mr. Macarthur,
Mr. Hutt,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Baker,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Kentley,
Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Kentley,
Mr. Walker,
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Mr. Walker,
Mr. Smart,
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Customs Indemnity Bill; second reading.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the Colonial Secretary’s Motion,—
   "(1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency’s said Message.
   "(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmiting a copy of this Resolution."
   Upon which Mr. Murray had moved by way of amendment,—
   That all the words following the word ‘That’ at the commencement be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, be referred to a Select Committee to report thereon, and on all matters relating thereto.
   "(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Flood.”
3. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
4. Felons’ Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Custody of Infants Bill; third reading.
6. Police Disqualifying Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
7. Christ Church Trustees’ Bill; third reading.
8. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 11, respecting Mr. Stack’s claim to Retiring Allowance.
9. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 3, with Common Lodging Houses Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move:
   "(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   "(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macarthy.

FRIDAY, JULY 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parker to move,—
   "(1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   "(2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subside into and vitalise the common elements of commerce and enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests."

(3.)
(9) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irredeemable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present conjecture, would be more than outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural source of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no compensation, if any real advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. NICHOLS to move,—

(1.) That so authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Lachlan, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

3. Mr. COWPER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Caramonga Copper Mining Company.

4. Mr. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

5. Mr. NICHOLS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1.) A return of the number and tonnage of all Vessels entered inwards at the Port of Newcastle, from the 31st March, 1853, up to the 30th June, 1854, including those employed in the coasting trade.

(2.) A return of the value (as near as may be) of Produce exported from that port during the same period.

(3.) A return of the quantity (as near as may be) of Coals exported during the same period, and the estimated value thereof.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. One Horse Drawn Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. DAVYALL to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Fourth Npecial "Bridge Act."

2. Mr. MARTIN to move,—

(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

3. Mr. MORRIS to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutton.

4. Mr. PARKES to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney, to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-Captain King, The Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.

(3.) That it be an instruction to such Committee to direct their attention especially to the probable number of children, the sons of seafaring persons and others, now growing...
ing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who, if educated for the sea and properly apprenticed on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and also to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.

5. MR. HOBROYD to move—
(1.) That the Act of Council 12 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.
(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £130 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and the pawnee to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monte de Piété, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnee twelve months to redeem his goods.
(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monte de Piété in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.
(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. MR. HOBROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.

7. MR. NICHOLSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill for Paving and Watering the Streets of the City of Sydney.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 24, with Commissions of Claims Reimbursement Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assaults Bill.
4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.
5. Public Health Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. COPPER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.

FRIDAY, JULY 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. HOLDEN to move—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognized by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglas.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. HOBROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 6 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Immigration.—Mr. James Macarthur, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee, appointed on the 27th ultimo, to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.
   Ordered to be printed.

2. Scots Church, Sydney.
   (1.) Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from David-Ramsay, M.D., and John Dunmore Lang, D.D., Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, praying leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Trustees aforesaid to dispose of a portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes.
   Petition received.
   Mr. Cowper then produced the Government Gazette and the Empire Newspaper, containing notice for four consecutive weeks in the months of May and June last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.
   (2.) Mr. Cowper then presented a Petition from certain Members of the Congregation of Scots Presbyterian worshippers in the Scots Church, in the City of Sydney, in favor of the introduction of the said Bill.
   Petition received.

3. Postponement.—The second reading of the Customs' Indemnity Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

4. Sydney Railway Company.—The Adjourned Debate, on motion of the Colonial Secretary,
   "(1.) 'That' this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion 'that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.'
   (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a copy of this Resolution.
   "Upon which Mr. Murray had moved by way of amendment,—
   That all the words following the word 'That' at the commencement be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words 'that the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, be referred to a Select Committee to report thereon, and on all matters relating thereto."
   "(2.) That such Committee consists of the following Members, viz. Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Finch, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, 'The Attorney General, and Mr. Flood.'—reversed.
   Question stated;—and the Speaker having requested all Members directly or indirectly interested in the Sydney Railway Company to withdraw; Question put, whether the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
   Council divided.


Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Dobie,
The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Bligh,
The Attorney General, Mr. H. Osborne,
The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Fitzgerald,
The Solicitor-General, Mr. Flood,
Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Morris,
Mr. Ryland, Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Darrell, Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Nichols, Mr. Berry,
Mr. Baker, Mr. A. Gobineau,
The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Campbell,
Captain King, Mr. Parker,
Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Murray, (Tellers.)
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Martin,
The Postmaster General, (Tellers.)
Mr. Egan,
The Auditor General.

(1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 13, of the 13th June, 1854, is of opinion that it is expedient to afford further pecuniary aid to the Sydney Railway Company, to the extent and on the terms proposed in the Minute of the Executive Council of the 31st January last which accompanied His Excellency's said Message.
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of this Resolution.

Council divided.

Ayes 13.
Mr. Thurow,
The Colonial Secretary,
The Attorney General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Solicitor General,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Hillroyd,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Darrell,
Captain King,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Nicholls,
The Postmaster General,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Parker,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Egan,
The Auditor General,

Noes 14.
Mr. Dobie,
Mr. High,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Berry,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Martin,

5. Postponements —
(1.) The adoption of the Report of the Law of Evidence Bill from the Committee of the whole postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until Wednesday next.
(2.) The adoption of the Report of the Felons Bill from the Committee of the whole postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until Wednesday next.

6. Question of Infants Bill, on motion of the Attorney General, read a third time, and passed.
The Attorney General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Custody of Infants,"

Question put and passed.

7. Police Disqualifying Bill Reported.—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

8. Christ Church Trustees' Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed.
The Solicitor General then moved that the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to enable the Trustees of Christ Church, Sydney, to surrender to the Crown for Public purposes a portion of the land granted for a Parsonage in connexion with the said Church, and to accept other land in exchange for the same."

Question put and passed.

9. Retiring allowance to Mr. Stack.—The Governor General’s Message No. 11, received on the 21st June last, having been read on motion of the Colonial Secretary, moved—
The Colonial Secretary moved—
(1.) That this Council having taken into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, No. 11, of the 8th ultimo, on the subject of Mr. Edward Robert Stack’s claim to a Retiring Allowance, is of opinion that, as Mr. Stack has for upwards of thirty years faithfully and diligently performed the duties of the situations which he has filled under the Government, in connexion with an important Public Institution, he should now receive, as a special reward for his services, an annual gratuity of one hundred and thirty-three pounds, six shillings, and eight pence, for life.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General communicating the above Resolution, and requesting His Excellency to give effect to it.

Debate resumed.

Question put.
Council divided.

Ayes, 21.
The Colonial Secretary,
The Attorney General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
The Solicitor General,
Captain King,
Mr. Thurow,
Mr. Hillroyd,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Darrell,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Parker,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Nicholls,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Egan,
The Postmaster General,
The Auditor General,

Noes, 7.
Mr. Parker,
Mr. W. Bowman,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Cowper,

10. Common Lodging Houses Bill.—The Governor General’s Message No. 3, received with this Bill on the 8th June last, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill for the well ordering of Common Lodging Houses," read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

11. Postponement.—Mr. Cowper postponed the Motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until next Tuesday week.

Council adjourned as half-past Seven o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JULY 7.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. Mr. PARKES to move,—

(1) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.

(2) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subdue into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

(3) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deep to be deplored, amongst which would be the irremediable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be insensibly outweighed by the suggested difficulties in future years which would result from thus deeming up the natural sources of supply.

(4) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no advantage; and that no country would be more suitable to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

(5) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system of that nature be adopted, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

(6) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

(7) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. Mr. NICHOLS to move,—

(1) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

3. Mr. COPPER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company.

4. Mr. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

5. Mr. NICHOLS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1) A return of the number and tonnage of all Vessels entered inwards at the Port of Newcastle, from the 1st March, 1853, up to the 30th June, 1854, including those employed in the coaling trade.

(2) A return of the value (as near as may be) of Produce exported from that port during the same period.

(3) A return of the quantity (as near as may be) of Coals exported during the same period, and the estimated value thereof.

6. Mr. J. MACARTHUR to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that, in conformity with the recommendation contained in the Progress Report of the Immigration Commission, a further remittance of £100,000 may be immediately made to the Land and Emigration Commissioners, to be expended by them as speedily as possible in promoting Emigration to New South Wales; and that the provisions of the Act of Council 16 Victoria, No. 42, should not be enforced upon the Emigrants who may be sent out by these funds, or by any balance which may remain from those which have been already transmitted, should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining the requisite number of Emigrants under that system.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. One Horse Dray Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Penrith Nepean Bridge Act."

2. Mr. Martin to move,—
   (1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
   (2) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

3. Mr. North to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayo, Mr. Nabar, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutor.

4. Mr. Packe to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney, to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Captain King, the Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smaert, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.
   (3) That it be an instruction to such Committee to direct their attention especially to the probable number of children, the means of securing persons and others, now growing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who, if educated for the sea and properly apprenticed on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and also to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move:—
   (1) That the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 27 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.
   (2) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawnor and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
   (3) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monte de Piedad, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.
   (4) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monte de Piedad in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profit might be divided amongst the public charities.
   (5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.

7. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to introduce a Bill for Paving and Watering the Streets of the City of Sydney.

8. Mr. Gowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational Purposes.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 24, with Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assault Bill.

4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.
5. Public Health Bill; second reading.
6. Customs' Indemnity Bill; second reading.
7. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
8. Felons' Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
9. Police Disqualifying Bill; third reading.
10. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.

FRIDAY, JULY 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Cowper to move—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
  William John King.—Mr. Thurlow presented a Petition from William John King,
  formerly attached to the Dinalong Police Force, representing that in consequence of
  his apprehension on an unfounded charge of murder, robbery, and housebreaking, he
  had been put to considerable expense, and praying compensation.
  Petition received.

2. Immigration.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there exists at the present
   time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent and increasing
   demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously checked the pro-
   gress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to all classes, and
   an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.
   (2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of
   population from Europe, such as shall subsist into and vitalise the common elements
   of the population already in the Colony; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect
   cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.
   (3.) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of tempo-
   rarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply
   to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself,
   not only for the whole of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the
   rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefit which might arise
   in any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be
   insensibly outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result
   from this damming up the natural sources of supply.
   (4.) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplies
   ample proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered,
   those pursuits of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no
   commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the
   parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public at large, can be reasonably
   expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.
   (5.) That this House entertains the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to
   fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and
   Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that
   purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a
   breaking of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.
   (6.) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony,
   must involve, as absolute requisites for its success, the abrogation of all schemes now
   existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public
   lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a perma-
   nent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.
   (7.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor
   General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein
   expressed to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

It being agreed to put the Question upon the proposed Resolutions scoriatism, but to take the Debate upon the whole—
Debate ensued.
Mr. Holroyd moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.

The Speaker being about to state the Question, explained that, unless the Motion
for the Previous Question were withdrawn, it would be apprehended, be incumbent
upon him to interpose that Question after stating the Question upon each of the
proposed Resolutions, in conformity with the understanding upon which the Debate
had been taken;

And the Previous Question not being withdrawn—

Question stated.—(1.) That this House records its deliberate opinion that there ex-
ists at the present time, in the various industrial operations of the Colony, an urgent
and increasing demand for labour which already, in many instances, has seriously
checked the progress of the country, and which threatens to result in great injury to
all classes, and an abridgment of the comforts of every social condition.

Previous Question put—"Shall this Question be now put?"
Counsel divided—

Ayes, 7.
Mr. Tarlton,
The Attorney General,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Darvall,
Mr. Purkis,
Mr. Cowper, Teller.

Noes, 19.
The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. E. Osborne,
Mr. W. Bowman,
Mr. Hillery,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Harah,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Chahollum,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Zanin,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
The Postmaster General,
The Auditor General,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Morris, Teller.

Question stated—(2.) That this demand can only be fully and effectually met by a constant influx of population from Europe, such as shall subside into and vitalise the common elements of colonising enterprise; and that the present necessities of the country in this respect cannot be safely considered without reference to its future and permanent interests.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

Question stated—(3.) That the introduction of a coloured or an inferior race, for the purpose of temporarily supplying the existing want of labour, would be fraught with consequences deeply to be deplored, amongst which would be the irreparable evil of degrading labour itself, not only before the eyes of the working classes of Europe, but in the estimation of the rising generation in the Australian communities; and that the benefits which might accrue to any particular class from such importations, at the present juncture, would be insignificantly outweighed by the augmented difficulties in future years which would result from thus damming up the natural sources of supply.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

Question stated—(4.) That the experience gained from the experiment of Chinese Immigration supplants the proof that while the moral well-being of society has been seriously endangered, the pursuit of industry which it was thereby attempted to benefit, have received no commensurate, if any real, advantage; and that no results more satisfactory to the parties directly concerned, or more fortunate for the public as a whole, can be reasonably expected from the immigration of the degraded races of other countries.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

Question stated—(5.) That this House entertain the belief that an abundant stream of immigration, to fill all the avenues of industry, might be secured to the Colony from Great Britain and Ireland, and the countries of Continental Europe, if a system were established for that purpose, based on sound economical principles, and having for its primary object a broad identity of interest between the individual immigrant and his adopted country.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

Question stated—(6.) That any system of immigration, to work to the lasting advantage of the Colony, must involve, as an absolute requisitio for its success, the arrogation of all schemes now existing, and an entire revision of the laws regulating the alienation of the public lands, so as to render it demonstrably certain to the intending emigrant that a permanent and happy home may be secured by a course of honest industry.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

Question stated—(7.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to represent the views therein expressed, to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Previous Question:—"Shall this Question be now put?"—put and negatived.

3. Postponement.—Mr. Nicholls postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Wednesday next.

4. Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

5. Postponement.—Mr. Purkis postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until next Tuesday week.

6. Native Ships and Exports.—Mr. Nicholls moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House—

(1.) A return of the number and tonnage of all Vessels entered inwards at the Port of Newcastle, from the 31st March, 1865, up to the 30th June, 1864, including those employed in the coastal trade.

(2.) A return of the value (as near as may be) of Produce exported from that port during the same period.

(3.) A return of the quantity (as near as may be) of Coals exported during the same period, and the estimated value thereof.

Question put and passed.
7. Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill:—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public use of the Colony and in support of the Government, in pursuance to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to Incorporate the Carangara Copper Mining Company," read a first time.

8. Emigration Remittance:—Mr. James Macarthur moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that, in conformity with the recommendation contained in the Progress Report of the Immigration Committee, a further remittance of £100,000 may be immediately made to the Land and Emigration Commissioners, to be expended by them as specifically as possible in promoting Emigration to New South Wales; and that the provisions of the Act of Council 10 Victoria, No. 42, should not be enforced upon the Emigrants who may be sent out by those funds, or by any balances which may remain from those which have been already transmitted, should any difficulty be experienced in obtaining the requisite number of Emigrants under that system. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. One Horse Dray Bill:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Parkes.

Council adjourned at twenty minutes before eight o'Clock, until Tuesday next, at three o'Clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 11.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. MR. DARWALL to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Penrith Nepean "Bridge Act."

2. MR. MARTIN to move:—

(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

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

3. MR. MORRIS to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayes, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutton.

4. MR. PARKES to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney, to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Captain King, The Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.

(3.) That it be an instruction to such Committee to direct their attention especially to the probable number of children, the sons of seafaring persons and others, now growing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who, if educated for the sea and properly apprenticed on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and also to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.

5. MR. HOLROYD to move:—

(1.) That the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of 2120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawnee and pawnor) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which press in severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary precarious accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monnaie de Pisto, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to 10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels; and by allowing the pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.
(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monte de Piedad in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

6. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.

7. Mr. Nicholas to move for leave to introduce a Bill for Paving and Watering the Streets of the City of Sydney.

8. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes.

9. Mr. Thurlow to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copy of the Reports of the Bench of Magistrates at Wellington and Orange, in the matter of, and all Correspondence relative to, the Fines imposed by the Postmaster General upon Mr. Joseph Matthews for alleged neglect of his Contract for the conveyance of the Mails between Bathurst and Wellington during the year 1853.

10. Mr. Thurlow to move, That the Petition of William John King, presented by him on the 7th instant, be printed.

11. Mr. Cowper to move,—

(1.) That the Carangaroo Copper Mining Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Colonel Barney, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Dobie, Captain King, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. March, Mr. Murray, and Mr. The Attorney General.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. Masters’ and Servants’ Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 24, with Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill.

3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assault Bill.

4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.

5. Public Health Bill; second reading.

6. Customs’ Indemnity Bill; second reading.

7. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

8. Felons’ Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

9. Police Disqualifying Bill; third reading.

10. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pitt Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.

2. Mr. Nicholas to move,—

(1.) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.

FRIDAY, JULY 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Holden to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglas.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Manley.

3. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 11 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Emigration Remittance.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHF. A. FITZ ROY
Governor General.

In compliance with the request contained in the Council's Address of the 7th Instant, the Governor General will take the necessary steps for making a further remittance of £100,000, to the Land and Emigration Commissioners, to be expended by them in promoting Emigration to New South Wales, in the manner advised in the Progress Report of the Select Committee on Immigration.

2. One moiety of the above sum will be forwarded to the Commissioners immediately, and the remainder in a short period.

Government House,
Sydney, 11 July, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.—The Colonial Secretary, as Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 21st ultimo; and laid upon the Table the Bill as amended in, together with the Evidence taken before the Committee.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Armidale:—Mr. Marsden presented a Petition from certain Magistrates, Licensees of Crown Lands in the United Pastoral Districts of New England and McLean, and Residents of the Town of Armidale, praying the establishment of Courts of Assize or Quarter Sessions in the Town of Armidale.

Petition received.

5. Scots Church, Sydney:—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from the Revd. James Fullerton, L. L. D., Minister of the Scots Church, Pitt-street South, against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotments for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, without previous inquiry by a Select Committee of the Council.

Petition received.

6. Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the Return to the Address in reference to Immigration adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 13th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

7. Postponement:—Mr. Durville postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

8. Branch of the Royal Mint:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.

(2) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General.

Debate ensued.

The Colonial Secretary moved, That the Question be amended by interposing between sections (1) and (2), the section following, viz.:—

"(2) That the plan submitted with the Governor General's Message of the 4th July, "1854, No. 25, for the conversion of the present Staff Offices, and for erecting the "requisite Buildings for the Mint Establishment on the ground attached to the said "offices, at an estimated cost of £12,499, be adopted."

Debate continued.

Question put:—That the section proposed to be interposed between sections (1) and (2), be so interposed.
Counsel divided.

Ayas, 22.

The Colonial Treasurer,
The Attorney General,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Douglass,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Darwall,
Mr. Cox,
Mr. Thorlow,
Mr. Chisholm,
Mr. H.'Osborne,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. Dobie,
The Inspector General of Police,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Finch,
Mr. Bucker,
Mr. Murray,
The Postmaster General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Auditor General; 
J. Tellers.

Notes, 8.

Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Oaks,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Morris,
J. Tellers.

Whereupon, Question, as so amended,
(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Branch of the Royal Mint which Her Majesty has been pleased to establish in this Colony, ought to be brought into actual operation with the utmost possible expedition.
(2.) That the plan submitted with the Governor General's Message of the 4th July, 1854, No. 28, for the conversion of the present Staff Office, and for erecting the requisite buildings for the Mint Establishment on the ground attached to the said Office, at an estimated cost of £12,456, be adopted.
(3.) That the foregoing Resolutions be communicated by Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General,—put and passed.

9. Postponement:—Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

10. Licensed Pawnbrokers:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from certain Licensed Pawnbrokers residing in the City of Sydney, praying that the general question of the business of Pawnbroking be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee; or, in event of the introduction of a Bill for carrying out the Resolutions to be moved by Mr. Holroyd, that Petitioners be heard by Counsel at the second reading of such Bill. Petition received.

11. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.
(2.) Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd fifth and sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Thursday next.

12. Sydney Paving Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for Paving the Streets of the City of Sydney. Question put and passed; Ordered that the mover and seconders prepare and bring in the Bill.

13. Scots Church Trustees Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes. Question put and passed; Ordered, that the mover and seconders prepare and bring in the Bill.

14. Mr. Joseph Matthews, Mail Contractor:—Mr. Thorlow moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copy of the Report of the Bench of Magistrates at Wellington and Orange, in the matter of, and all Correspondence, Way-Hills, and Evidence given relative to, the Fines imposed by the Postmaster General upon Mr. Joseph Matthews for alleged neglect of his Contract for the conveyance of the Mails between Bathurst and Wellington during the year 1853. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

15. William John King:—Mr. Thorlow moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of William John King, presented by him on the 7th instant, be printed. Debate ensued. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

16. Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill; Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. —Colonel Barney, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Dobie, Captain King, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Murray, and The Attorney General.

Question—(1.) That the Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Wednesday, July 12.


1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 24, with Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 18, with Aggravated Assault Bill.
4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.
5. Public Health Bill; second reading.
6. Customs' Indemnity Bill; second reading.
7. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
8. Felons' Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
9. Police Disqualifying Bill; third reading.
10. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

Other Business—Notices of Motion:

1. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Flora Bay Iron and Coal Mining Company.
2. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1.) That an authentically intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.
   (2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.
3. Mr. Martin to move, That the Petition of the Revd. James Fullerton, L.L.D., against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, presented by him yesterday, be printed.
4. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Petition of the Licensed Pawnbrokers presented by him yesterday, be printed.
5. Mr. Parkes to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney, to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Captain King, The Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.
   (3.) That it be an instruction to such Committee to direct their attention especially to the probable number of children, the sons of seafaring persons and others, now growing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who, if educated for the sea and properly apprentized on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and also to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.
6. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Depositions, Warrants, or Proceedings taken in the case of Bernard Bartley, who was given into custody by Wm. McLaughlan Durrow, Esq. J.P., for using obscene and profane language, and which matter was referred to in His Excellency's Message No. 17 of the 20th ultimo.
7. Mr. Thurlow to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all evidence taken before the Justice against William John King, at the Petty Sessions sitting at Bingalong, upon a charge of murder and robbery, with a statement of the grounds upon which he was detained and further imprisoned after having been acquitted of the offence of which he stood charged.

Thursday,
THURSDAY, JULY 13.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move:
   (1.) That the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 97 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.
   (2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawnnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.
   (3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefits to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawners twelve months to redeem his goods.
   (4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Pitié in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on deposits and the charges of the Government Establishments, if the business be conducted on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.
   (5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.

FRIDAY, JULY 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Copwer to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Musley.

3. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Coal and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

4. Mr. Marsh to move, That the Petition praying the establishment of Courts of Assize or Quarter Sessions at Armidale, presented by him on the 17th instant, be printed.

5. Mr. DarVall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Parrish Npean or Bridge Act."

6. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of not less than five persons, not in the service of the Crown, to inquire into all matters connected with the Railway now in progress between Sydney and Parramatta—three of such Commissioners to be Surveyors or Civil Engineers; with a view to affording the public the largest amount of information on the subject of Railways that can be obtained from practical experience in the Colony.

7. Mr. Morris to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Musley, and Mr. Sutter.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
No. 19.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 12 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:—

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Public Abattoirs at Glebe Island adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 27th ultimo.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Shipping Masters' Department adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 13th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Scots Church, Sydney:—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from the Revd. James Fullerton, L.L.D., the Revd. James Coutts, and the Revd. John Duggall, Members of the Committee appointed by the Synod of Australia, against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes.

Petition received.

3. Merriwa:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Village of Merriwa and the surrounding District of Camilla, praying that provision be made for the erection of a Court House and the appointment of a Clerk of Petty Sessions at Merriwa.

Petition received.

4. Gold Fields Management Bill:—The Colonial Secretary moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

The second reading of the Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day fortnight.

5. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill:—The Governor General's Message No. 24, received with this Bill on the 4th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled "A Bill to increase the Remuneration of the Commissioners of the Court of Claims to Grantees of Land, and of the Secretary of the said Court," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

6. Aggravated Assaults Bill; the Governor General's Message, No. 18, received with this Bill on the 21st ultimo, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled "A Bill for the better prevention and punishment of aggravated assaults upon women and children, and to amend the Law respecting recognisances to keep the peace or for good behaviour," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.

7. Postponements:—

(1.) The second reading of the Military Lands' Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.

(2.) The second reading of the Public Health Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.

8. Customs' Indemnity Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

9. Postponement:—The Adoption of the Report of the Law of Evidence Bill from the Committee of the whole Council postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until to-day.

10. Felons' Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Attorney General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time this day week.

11. Police Disqualifying Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to disqualify Officers of the Police Force from being elected Members of the Legislative Council, and to prevent Officers of Police and Constables from interfering in or influencing Elections of Legislative Councilors."

Question put and passed.

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12. Postponements:—
   (1) The second reading of the Common Lodging Houses Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
   (2) Mr Cooper postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

13. Dr. Leichhardt and Party:—Mr Nichols moved pursuant to notice,—
   (1) That as no authentic intelligence has yet been received respecting Dr. Leichhardt, it is a duty incumbent on the Government to take such further steps as may be practicable, with the view of ascertaining the ultimate fate of that gentleman and of his companions.
   (2) That the Resolution be conveyed to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

14. Scots Church, Sydney:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Revd. James Fullerton, L.L.D., against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, presented by him yesterday, be printed.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

15. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Nichols withdrew the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

16. Proposed Nautical School:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of "Sydney", to be supported by an Annual Grant from the Public Treasury.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Captain King, the Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cooper, the Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen.
   (3) That it be an instruction to such Committee to direct their attention "especially" to the probable number of children, the sons of seafaring persons and others, now growing up in the City of Sydney without any direction being given to their future lives, who, if educated for the sea and properly apprenticed on board ship, would form a permanent body of colonial seamen; and "also" to the estimated capacity of the shipping at present employed in the trade between the Australian Colonies for the reception of apprentices, under such restrictive regulations as it might be deemed necessary to establish.
Debate ensued.
   Mr. Martin moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words from and inclusive of the word "especially" to and inclusive of the word "also" in section (3).
Debate continued.
Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.
Original Question by leave amended by the withdrawal of all the words in section (1) following the word "Sydney", and by the withdrawal of section (3).
Debate continued.
Question, as amended,—(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney—put and passed.
Question,—(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Captain King, the Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Smart, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cooper, the Postmaster General, and Mr. Allen—put and passed.

17. Wm. McTaggart Dorsey, Esq., J.P.:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Depositions, Warrants, or Proceedings taken in the case of Bernard Hartley, who was given into custody by Wm. McTaggart Dorsey, Esq., J.P., for using obscene and profane language, and which matter was referred to in His Excellency's Message No. 17 of the 20th ultimo.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

18. Wm. John King:—Mr. Thurlow moved, pursuant to Notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all evidence taken before the Justices against William John King, at the Petty Sessions sitting at Binalong, upon a charge of murder and robbery, with a statement of the grounds upon which he was detained and further imprisoned after having been acquitted of the offence of which he stood charged.
Question put and passed.
Counsel adjourned at twenty-five minutes before Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 13.

1. Military Lands Bill; second reading.
2. Public Health Bill; second reading.
3. Customs’ Indemnity Bill; third reading.
4. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move—

(1.) That the Act of Council 18 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers’ Act), whilst it legalizes the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation as allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of £150 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is entitled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawnbroker and pawnor) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain contemporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Monts de Piété, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Monts de Piété in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor-General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.

3. THE COLONIAL TREASURER to move—

(1.) That the Bill to authorize the Enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same, be referred to a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, Captain King, Mr. William Macarthur, Mr. M'using, and Mr. Martin.

4. Mr. PARKES to move—

(1.) That this House has learned, from satisfactory evidence, that the Beacon erected in November 1853 on Gabo Island, ceased to be lighted on or about the 2nd of July last, through the neglect of the proper authorities in supplying the necessary means of light, and that it remained in this condition for a period of eight days.

(2.) That this House, considering the great importance of this Beacon to the sea-going traffic on our coast, and the serious disasters which might have resulted from its being extinguished, is of opinion that the conduct of the Government in not making proper provision for the Light House Establishment at Gabo Island, is the highest degree deserving of public censure.

5. Mr. MARTIN to move, That the Petition of the Reverend James Fullerton, L. L. D., the Reverend James Coutts, and the Reverend John Dougall, Members of Committee appointed by the Synod of Australia, against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, presented by him yesterday, be printed.

FRIDAY, JULY 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.
3. Mr. Parker to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
4. Mr. Marbbr to move, That the Petition praying the establishment of Courts of Assize or Quarter Sessions at Armidale, presented by him on the 11th instant, be printed.
5. Mr. Darvall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Penrith Nepean Bridge Act."
6. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of not less than five gentlemen not in the service of the Crown, to inquire into all matters connected with the Railway now in progress between Sydney and Parramatta—three of such Commissioners to be Surveyors or Civil Engineers; with a view to affording the public the largest amount of information on the subject of Railways that can be obtained from practical experience in the Colony.
7. Mr. Moorbr to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called sheep scab.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutor.
8. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Masters' and Servants' Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill; second reading.
2. Aggravated Assasins Bill; second reading.
3. Felons' Bill; third reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.
1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 13 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

3. The leave of absence for one month granted to Mr. Leslie on the 18th ultimo, extended one fortnight, on motion of Captain King.

4. Sydney Paving Bill—Mr. Nicholls having presented this Bill, intimated, “A Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a portion of their Allotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational Purposes,” read a first time.

5. Postponements—
   (1.) The Second reading of the Military Lands Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
   (2.) The Second reading of the Public Health Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
   (3.) Customs Indemnity Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

6. Postponements—
   (1.) The adoption of the Report of the Law of Evidence Bill from the Committee of the whole postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
   (2.) The Second reading of the Common Lodging Houses Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
   (3.) Mr. Flood, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd first and second on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

7. Sydney Railway Bill—The Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1.) That the Bill to authorise the Enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of Cleveland Paddock, and to enable the Sydney Railway Company to appropriate the same, be referred to a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, Captain King, Mr. William Macarthur, Mr. Manning, and Mr. Martin.

8. Gabo Island Light House—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice—
   (1.) “That” this House has learned, from satisfactory evidence, that the Beacon erected in November 1853 on Gabo Island, ceased to be lighted on or about the 2nd of July instant, through the neglect of the proper authorities in supplying the necessary means of light, and that it remained in this condition for a period of eight days.
   (2.) That this House, considering the great importance of this Beacon to the sea-going traffic on our coast, and the serious disasters which might have resulted from its being extinguished, is of opinion that the conduct of the Government in not making proper provision for the Light House Establishment at Gabo Island, is in the highest degree deserving of public censure.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Murray moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word “That” at the commencement thereof, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “the reported absence of any light at Gabo Island, during a period of several days in the early part of this month,—considering the importance of that Beacon, and the disastrous consequences which might have resulted from its being extinguished,—demands immediate and strict inquiry.”

That a Committee, consisting of the Attorney General, Captain King, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Park, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Parkes, be appointed to investigate the circumstances of the case, and report to the House thereupon.”

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

Council divided—

Ayes, 24.
The Colonial Secretary,
The Inspector General of Police,
The Attorney General,
Mr. Nicholls,
The Collector of Customs,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Durward,
Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Morris,
The Postmaster General,
The Auditor General,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Captain King,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Martin,

Tellers.

Noes, 15.
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Durward,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Park,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. G. Bowrnan,

Tellers.

Whereupon, Original Question put.

Council divided—

Ayes, 4.
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Cowper,

Tellers.

Noes, 35.
The Colonial Secretary,
The Inspector General of Police,
The Postmaster General,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
The Auditor General,
Captain King,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Durward,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Park,
Mr. A. Osborne,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Finch,
Mr. Dubois,
Mr. Berry,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. G. Bowrnan,
The Attorney General,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. Nicholls,

Tellers.

10. Scots Church, Sydney:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Reverend James Fullerton, L.L.D., the Reverend James Coutts, and the Reverend John Dougall, Members of Committee appointed by the Synod of Australia, against the introduction of the proposed Bill to enable the Trustees of the Scots Church, Sydney, to dispose of a vacant portion of their lotment for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, presented by him yesterday, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

11. Pawnbroking:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) "That the Act of Council 13 Vict. No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act), whilst it legalises the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of 120 per cent. per annum), the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawner) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishements in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the Mont de Pitié, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to £10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the pawner twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.)
(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the Nunta de Piété in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate interest on deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement thereof, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the whole subject of Pawnbroking be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee."

"That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Smart, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Holden, and the Attorney General."

Debate continued.

The Attorney General moved, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next. Question put on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until Wednesday next.

Counsel divided.

Ayes 15.

The Colonial Secretary,
The Attorney General,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Banker,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Holroyd,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Darwall,
The Auditor General,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. G. Bowman,

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Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Flood,
Dr. Douglas,
Mr. Parker,

Tellers.

12. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

Counsel adjourned, on the motion of the Colonial Secretary, at ten minutes before Eight o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 18.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Cowper to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

3. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

4. Mr. Marsh to move, That the Petition praying the establishment of Courts of Assize or Quarter Sessions at Armidale, presented by him on the 11th instant, be printed.

5. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Penrith Nepean "Bridge Act."

6. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of not less than five gentlemen not in the service of the Crown, to inquire into all matters connected with the Railway now in progress between Sydney and Parramatta—three of such Commissioners to be Surveyors or Civil Engineers; with a view to affording the public the largest amount of information on the subject of Railways that can be obtained from practical experience in the Colony.

7. Mr. Morris to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Sutton.

8. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pitt Bay Iron and Coal Mining Company.

9.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill; second reading.
2. Aggravated Assaults Bill; second reading.
3. Felons' Bill; third reading.
4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.
5. Public Health Bill; second reading.
6. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
7. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. HOLDEN to move,—

(a) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(b) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—MR. J. MACARTHUR, MR. ALLEN, MR. MURRAY, MR. EGGERS, MR. FISCH, MR. MORRIS, and MR. DOUGLAS.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Holroyd's motion:—

"(1.) 'That' the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act),

whilst it legislates the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing

the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that it is rarely,

if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advance made, and the high rate of

interest charged (being not unfrequently as the rate of £120 per cent. per annum),

the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the

pawnor and pawnee) to dispose of the chattel pledged at the expiration of three

months; a system which presses with severity on those who, under distress, are driven

to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation.

(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the

Monte de Piété, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest

benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon monthly advances to

£10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value on articles of plate and

jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the

pawnor twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of

Pawnbroking in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the

Monte de Piété in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may

be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on

deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on

pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above

Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause it to be sent down

to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect."

Upon which Mr. Parkes had moved by way of amendment,—

That all the words following the word "That" at the commencement be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the whole subject of Pawnbroking be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee."

That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Nichola, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Smart, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Holden, and the Attorney General."

FRIDAY, JULY 21.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Sydney Pavement Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 18 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Papers—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
   (1.) The Return to the Address in reference to Nobby's Island adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 14th ultimo.
   (2.) Report from the Commissioners of National Education for the Year 1853.
   (3.) Report from the Gold Commissioner of the Southern District for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1854.
   (4.) The Return to the Address in reference to Water Police Cases adopted, on motion of Mr. Campbell, on the 20th ultimo.
   Ordered to be printed.

2. Leave of absence for one month granted to Mr. Russell, on motion of Mr. Marsh.

3. Moreuva River:—Mr. Bligh presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Moreuva, representing that the prime Town and Suburban allotments about their District are withheld from sale, in consequence of the pre-emptive rights asserted by certain Squatters, and praying relief.
   Petition received.

4. Postponements:
   (1.) Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day three weeks.
   (2.) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
   (3.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.

5. Armidale:—Mr. Marsh moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition praying the establishment of Courts of Assize or Quarter Sessions at Armidale, presented by him on the 11th instant, be printed.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.
   Ordered to be printed.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Bligh, on behalf of Mr. Darrell, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darrell, fifth on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

7. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Flood withdrew the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day.

8. Postponements:
   (1.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.
   (2.) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name eighth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Thursday next.

9. Scots Church Trustees Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1.) That the Scots Church Trustees Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Flood, Mr. Jas. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart.
   Question (1.) That the Scots Church Trustees Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.
   Question (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Flood, Mr. Jas. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart—put and passed.

10. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company.
    Question put and passed;—Ordered, That the Movor and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

11. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill:—Mr. Holroyd having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th Section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company, called 'The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company,' and for other purposes therein mentioned,"—read a first time.
12. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Darwall, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darwall fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

13. Masters' and Servants' Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Campbell moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to add at the end the words "this day six months."

Debate continued.

Question:—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and passed.

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

Bill read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so-reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

Council adjourned at Twenty-five minutes before Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill; second reading.

2. Aggravated Assaults Bill; second reading.

3. Felons' Bill; third reading.

4. Military Lands Bill; second reading.

5. Public Health Bill; second reading.

6. Law of Evidence Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

7. Common Lodging Houses Bill; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Holden to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Douglas.

2. Mr. Murray to move:—

(1) That the reported absence of any light at Gabo Island during a period of several days in the early part of this month—considering the importance of that beacon, and that disastrous consequences might have resulted from its being extinguished—demands immediate and strict inquiry.

(2) That a Committee, consisting of the Attorney General, Captain King, Mr. Parker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Flood, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Blyth, be appointed to investigate the circumstances of the case, and report to the House thereupon.

3. Mr. Holroyd to move:—

(1) That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz.:—Mr. Allen, Mr. Egan, Mr. Park, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Chisholm, and Mr. Finch.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Holroyd's motion:—

"(1.) "That" the Act of Council 13 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act),
whilst it legalises the pawning of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing the pawnbroker to exact an unlimited rate of interest, at the same time that he rarely, if ever, advances more than fifty per cent. on the value of the chattel pledged.

(2.) That notwithstanding the smallness of the advances made, and the high rate of interest charged (being not unfrequently at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum),
the pawnbroker is enabled (unless a special agreement be entered into between the pawn and pawn) to dispose of the chattel pledged as the expiration of the period; a system which punishes with severity on those who, under distress, are driven to obtain temporary pecuniary accommodation."
"(3.) That the establishments in Paris and other parts of the Continent known as the "Monds de Piéce, under Government control, have been productive of the greatest "benefit to the lower orders, by limiting the rate of interest upon money advanced to "10 per cent. per annum, by advancing four-fifths of the value of articles of plate and "jewellery, and two-thirds of the value on other chattels, and by allowing the "pawnner twelve months to redeem his goods.

(4.) That in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to abolish the present system of "Pawning in this Colony, and to substitute Institutions similarly constituted to the "Monds de Piéce in Paris. That for this purpose the deposits in the Savings Bank may "be advantageously and safely employed; and that after paying adequate Interest on "deposits, and the charges of the Government Establishment for lending money on "pledged goods, the balance of profits might be divided amongst the public charities.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, embodying the above "Resolutions, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be sent down "to this House, a Bill for carrying the above Resolutions into effect."

Upon which Mr. Parkes had moved by way of amendment,—

That all the words following the word "That" at the commencement be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the whole subject of Pawnbroking "be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

"That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Smart, "Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Holden, and the Attorney General."

THURSDAY, JULY 20.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Bligh to move, That the Petition from Moruya, presented by him on the 18th instant, be printed.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Petitions presented by him, on 6th instant, from the Trustees and Congregation of the Scots' Church, on Church Hill, Sydney, in favor of passing the Scots' Church Trustees Bill, be printed.
3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pitt Bay Iron and Coal Mining Company.
4. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Estimates of Expenditure for 1855, a sum not exceeding £100, in aid of the Mechanics' Institute at Goulburn.

FRIDAY, JULY 21.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill; second reading.
2. Makers' and Servants' Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 25.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the licensing and regulation of Carters plying for hire within the City of Sydney.
2. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.
3. Mr. Murray to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captains King, and Mr. Flood.
4. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Parramatta Nepean "Bridge Act."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. PARKER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. MOURIN to move —
   (1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttor.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Messages—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, received and read:—
   (1.) Financial Message No. 96, for 1854-5.
   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Explanatory Minute and Estimates and Supplementary Estimate for 1854-5, and taken into consideration to-morrow week.
   (2.) Spring-street Enclosure Bill.

   Message No. 57
   Governor General.
   In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap 70, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to authorise the enclosure and alienation of "part of Spring Street, Sydney; and to give power to the Governor and Executive "Council to authorise in future cases the enclosure and alienation of such Streets "or parts of Streets as may be by reason of alterations and improvements in any Town "become unnecessary or inconvenient."

   Government House
   Sydney 19 July, 1854.

   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration this day week.

2. Assent to Bills—the Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—
   (1.) Christ Church Trustee Bill.
   (2.) Arms Bill

3. Intemperance—Mr. Allen presented a Petition from certain Ministers and Office Bearers of the Wesleyan Methodist Society of the Sydney North Circuit, representing the evils of Intemperance, and praying that some measure may be passed in the present Session for remedy thereof.
   Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.

4. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.—On motion of the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to notice, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill.
   The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

5. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
   The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

6. Aggravated Assault Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
   The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment,—
   The Attorney General moved, "That" the Report of the Bill be now adopted.
   The Solicitor General moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to "some amendments in Clause I."
   Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and negatived.
   Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and negatived.
   Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.
   The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

7. Postponement; the third reading of the Felton's Bill postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until to-morrow.
8. Military Lands Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for tomorrow.

9. Public Health Bill.—The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed;
Bill read a second time.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That this Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee to consist of Mr. Barker, Colonel Barney, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Manning, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Parkes.

Question put and passed.

10. Law of Evidence Bill Reported.—The Solicitor General moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Darrell moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed."

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.

Question put—That this Bill be now re-committed.

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 10.
Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, Mr. Parkes,
The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. J. Macartney, Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Darrell, Mr. Park,
Mr. Parker, Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Barker, Mr. Macleay,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Bligh,
The Solicitor General, Mr. Oakes,
Tellers, Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Darrell,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Douglass.

Noes, 10.
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Darrell,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Douglass.

11. Common Lodging Houses Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a second time.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That this Bill be also referred for the consideration and report of the Select Committee on the Public Health Bill.

Question put and passed.

12. Postponement.—Mr. Broadhurst, on behalf of Mr. Holden, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holden first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until next Friday week.

13. Gaba Island Light House.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice,

(1.) That the reported absence of any light at Gaba Island during the early part of this month—considering the importance of that beacon, and that disastrous consequences might have resulted from its being extinguished—demands immediate and strict inquiry.

(2.) That a Committee, consisting of the Attorney General, Captain King, Mr. Parker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Flood, Mr. James Macartney, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Bligh, be appointed to investigate the circumstances of the case, and report to the House thereupon.

Question—(1.) That the reported absence of any light at Gaba Island during the period of several days in the early part of this month—considering the importance of that beacon, and that disastrous consequences might have resulted from its being extinguished—demands immediate and strict inquiry—put and passed.

Question—(2.) That a Committee, consisting of the Attorney General, Captain King, Mr. Parker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Flood, Mr. James Macartney, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Bligh, be appointed to investigate the circumstances of the case, and report to the House thereupon—put and passed.

14. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice:

(1.) That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz.:—Mr. Allen, Mr. Egan, Mr. Park, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Chirolom, and Mr. Finch.

Question—(1.) That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Allen, Mr. Egan, Mr. Park, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Chirolom, and Mr. Finch—put and passed.

15. Pawnbroking.—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Holroyd,

"(1.) "That" the Act of Council 18 Vict., No. 37 (the Licensed Pawnbrokers' Act),
"whilst it legalises the pledging of chattels, is oppressive in its operation in allowing"
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.
1. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Aggravated Assault Bill Reported 2nd; Adoption of the Report.
3. Felons' Bill; third reading.
4. Military Lands Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Bloor to move, That the Petition from Moruya, presented by him on the 18th instant, be printed.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Petitions presented by him, on 6th instant, from the Trustees and Congregation of the Scots' Church, on Church Hill, Sydney, in favor of passing the Scots' Church Trustees Bill, be printed.
3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pitt Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company.
4. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Estimates of Expenditure for 1855, a sum not exceeding £100, in aid of the Mechanics' Institute at Goulburn.

FRIDAY, JULY 21.

Contingent Notice of Motion.—Mr. Holroyd to move (on the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Masters' and Servants' Bill being read)—That the Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the introduction of a clause making the Act applicable to contracts of hiring and service between Corporations and Servants.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Sydney Paving Bill; second reading.
2. Masters' and Servants' Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the licensing and regulation of Carters plying for hire within the City of Sydney.

2. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

3. Mr. Murray to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mars, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood.

4. Mr. Darvall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Parrah Nepean Bridge Act."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 27, with Spring-street Enclosure Bill.
3. Commissioners of College Remuneration Bill; third reading.

THURSDAY, JULY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


FRIDAY, JULY 28.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglas.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Fairies to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. Morris to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Mars, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttor.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 20 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read,—

(1.) Pension under Volunteer Corps Bill:—

A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

Referring to His Excellency's Message of the 8th June last, transmitting the draft of a Bill "to authorise the formation of Volunteer Corps in the Colony of "New South Wales, and for the Regulation thereof," the Governor General now invites the Legislative Council to adopt in lieu of the 27th clause of that Bill, provisions to the effect of one or other of the clauses hereunder written, that is to say:

That in the event of any member of any such Volunteer Corps being killed or wounded in actual service, it shall be lawful for the Governor, within seven days after the commencement of the then next session of the Legislative Council, to cause to be laid on the Table of the said Council, a return of the names and rank of every such person as killed or wounded, and to propose the grant, by the said Council, of such pension or gratuity to such wounded person, or to the widow or family of such person so killed as aforesaid, to such amount as the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, shall think fit:—or as follows,

All members of such Volunteer Corps who shall be disabled in actual service, shall be entitled to half pay for life; and all such members who shall be wounded without being actually disabled, shall be entitled to such pensions for life not exceeding such half pay as aforesaid, as the Governor with the advice of his Executive Council may think fit to allow; and the widows of all members killed in actual service, shall be entitled to pensions for life, equal to half the pay to which their respective husbands were entitled during actual service.

Government House
Sydney, 20 July 1854.

Ordered to be taken into consideration with the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill to-day.

(2.) Tolls Regulation Bill:—

A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 75. His Excellency the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill to enable the Governor and Executive Council to regulate the amount of Tolls to be taken on Public Roads."

Government House,
Sydney, 20 July 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

2. Government Night Watchmen, Messengers, and Office Keepers.—Mr. Cooper presented a Petition from certain Night Watchmen, Messengers, and Office Keepers in Government employ, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief. Petition received.

3. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until the other Orders of the Day on the Paper of Government Business shall have been disposed of.

4. Aggravated Assaults Bill Reported 2d:—The Report 2d of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

5. Felons Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed. The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the title of this Bill be "An Act to amend the Law respecting Felons and other Offenders." Question put and passed.

6. Military Lands Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 25.

Contingent Notice of Motion — Mr. Holroyd to move (on the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Masters and Servants' Bill being read)—That the Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the introduction of a clause making the Act applicable to contracts of hiring and service between Corporations and Servants.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholas to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the licensing and regulation of Carters plying for hire within the City of Sydney.

2. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, the Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

3. Mr. Murray to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Incestate Estates.
   (2) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, the Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood.

4. Mr. Darvale to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Parramatta Nepean Bridge Act."

5. Mr. Macleay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all the correspondence that has taken place between the Executive Government of this Colony and of South Australia, relative to the Navigation of the River Murray; together with Copies of the Reports made by the Crown Land Commissioners of the contiguous Districts, on the same subject.
6. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That the Fita Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be referred for the consi-
   deration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Colonel Barney, 
   Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dunmore, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, 
   and the Attorney General.

   ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
   1. Sydney Paving Bill; second reading.
   2. Masters' and Servants' Bill; third reading.

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   WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

   GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.
   1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.
   2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 27, with Spring-street Enclosure Bill.
   3. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill; third reading.
   4. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 29, with Tolls Regulation Bill.
   5. Aggravated Assaults Bill; third reading.
   7. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

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   THURSDAY, JULY 27.

   GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
   1. Consideration of Governor General's Financial Message No. 26, for the year 1854–5,
      with accompanying Minute and Estimates.

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   FRIDAY, JULY 28.

   NOTICE OF MOTION:—
   1. Mr. Holden to move:—
      (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means
      of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recog-
      nised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received
      by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
      (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. J. Macarthur,
      Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglas.

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   TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.

   NOTICE OF MOTION:—
   1. Mr. Parry's to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of 
      coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Fias, and to provide for the establishment of
      an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
   2. Mr. Morris to move:—
      (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures
      can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
      (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — Mr. G. Bowman,
      Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne,
      Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttor.

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   TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

   NOTICE OF MOTION:—
   1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the 
      trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

   CHARLES NICHOLSON,
   Speaker.
No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 25 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned papers:—
(1.) The Report from the Director of the Botanic Gardens for the year 1853.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) A Correspondence respecting the Emigration of Bernese subjects.
Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.

2. Carter's Regulation Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for the licensing and regulation of Carters plying for hire within the City of Sydney.

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

3. Postponements:—
(1.) The Attorney General, on behalf of Mr. Cowper, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
(2.) Mr. Murray postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

4. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "the Penrith Nepean Bridge Act." Question put and passed; Ordered that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Darwall having presented the Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend the "Penrith Nepean Bridge Act;" read a first time.

5. Navigation of the River Murray:—Mr. Maclean moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all the correspondences that has taken place between the Executive Government of this Colony and that of South Australia, relative to the Navigation of the River Murray; together with Copies of the Reports made by the Crown Land Commissioners of the contiguous Districts, on the same subject.

Debate ceased.

Question put and passed.

6. Mr. S. Charles Johnson:—Mr. Parke presented a Petition from Mr. S. Charles Johnson, representing that the wooden portion of the wreck of his Vessel at Cabo Island had been used for fuel by the Light-house Keepers there, and praying inquiry into his claim to compensation.

Petition received.

7. Postponement:—The Attorney General, on behalf of Mr. Cowper, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

8. Sydney Paving Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a second time.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That this Bill be also referred to the Select Committee on the Public Health Bill.

Question put and passed.

9. Masters' and Servants' Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be now "read a third time."

Mr. Holroyd moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "read a third time," with a view to insert in their place the word "recommitted."

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

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now re-committed—put and passed:—
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same:—

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Nichols, Bill, as so reported, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to continue the "Masters"
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Solicitor General to move, That the Law of Evidence Bill be now recommitted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 27, with Spring-street Enclosure Bill.
3. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill; third reading.
4. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 29, with Tolls Regulation Bill.
5. Aggravated Assaults Bill; third reading.
7. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move, That the Petitions presented by him on the 11th and 12th days of July instant, respectively, in reference to the Scots Church Sydney, be referred to the Select Committee on the Scots Church Trustees' Bill.
2. The Attorney General to move for leave to bring in a Bill "to remove doubts respecting the absent Defendants Act, and to amend the same."
3. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition of Mr. S. Charles Johnson, presented by him yesterday, be printed.
4. Mr. Morris to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the Form of Lease granted, or proposed to be granted to occupant of Crown Lands, in the intermediate and unsettled Districts of the Colony.

THURSDAY, JULY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Financial Message No. 26, for the year 1854-5, with accompanying Minute and Estimates.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the Petition of certain Pawnbrokers, presented on the 11th instant, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of Pawnbroking.

FRIDAY, JULY 28.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth:
   (1.) The name of each person to whom any money has been paid out of Schedule A of the Act of Parliament 18 and 14 Victoria, cap. 50, during the year 1858.
   (2.) The office or offices (if any) held by such person during that year.
   (3.) The amount of money (if any) paid to every such person, in addition to the amount paid to him out of the said Schedule during the said year.
   (4.) The authority (if any) by which such additional sum has been so paid.
   (5.) The fund from which such additional sum has been so paid.
   (6.) The amount paid to each person in respect of each office (if more than one) held by him.
3. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Currency in New South Wales of the Gold and Silver Coin issued from the Royal Mint in London, or from the Branch of the Royal Mint in Sydney.

4. Mr. Murray to move:
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.

1. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. Morris to move:
   (1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradly, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttun.

3. Mr. Heugh to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—
   (1. That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Locom of the Run whereas the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 8 and 9 Vict. c. 38.
   (2. That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.
   (3. That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. Darwall to move:
   (1. That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Cox.

6. Mr. Darwall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council a Bill to appropriate the sum of $50,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Office from the 1st of June, A.D. 1851, to the 1st of June, A.D. 1854.

7. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1. That the Five Bay Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Colonel Barney, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dumaresq, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Emigration from Scotland:—
(1.) Mr. Parkes presented a petition from certain Handweavers, Flaxdressers, and other Mechanics and Laborers, of Montrose, in Scotland, representing their desire to emigrate to Australia, and praying assistance. Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Emigration.
(2.) Mr. Parkes presented another Petition from certain framemakers of Scotland, representing their desire to emigrate to Australia, and praying assistance. Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Emigration.

2. Letter Carriers:—Mr. Darvall presented a Petition from certain Letter Carriers of Sydney, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief. Petition received.

3. Postponement:—The Attorney General, on behalf of the Solicitor General, postponed the motion standing in the name of the Solicitor General on the Notice Paper of Government Business for To-day, until to-morrow.

4. Gold Fields’ Management Bill:—The Colonial Secretary moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed; Bill read a second time:—

Whereupon, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Chairman presided alone, and a Committee of the Whole for consideration thereof. The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

5. Spring Street Enclosure Bill:—The Governor General’s Message No. 27, received with this Bill on the 19th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, “A Bill to authorize the enclosure and alienation of part of Spring Street, Sydney, and to give power to the Governor and Executive Council to authorize, in future cases, the enclosure and alienation of such streets or parts of streets as may, by reason of alterations and improvements in any Town, become unnecessary or inconvenient,” read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

6. Commissioners of Claims Remuneration Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to increase the remuneration of the Commissioners for examining and reporting on Claims to Grants of Land, and of their Secretary.”

Question put and passed.

7. Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 29, with the Tolls Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

8. Aggravated Assaults Bill, on motion of the Attorney General, read a third time, and passed.

The Attorney General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act for the better Prevention and Punishment of aggravated Assaults upon Women and Children, and to amend the Law respecting Recognizances to keep the Peace, or for Good Behaviour.”

Question put and passed.

9. Military Lands Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, “An Act to authorize the resumption or occupation and use of any Lands required for purposes of Military Defence, and to make Compensation to the Owners thereof.”

Question put and passed.

10. Volunteer and Yeomany Corps Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

11. Scots Church Trustees’ Bill:—Mr. Martin, having produced a Certificate that the sum of Fifteen Pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony and in support of the Government thereof, in accordance with the requirement of the 60th section of the Standing Orders—moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 11th and 12th days of July last, respectively, in reference to the Scots Church Sydney, be referred to the Select Committee on the Scots Church Trustees’ Bill.

Question put and passed.
12. Absent Defendants Bill:—The Attorney General moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill, "to remove doubts respecting the Absent Defendants Act, and to amend the same."

Question put and passed; Ordered That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

13. Mr. S. Charles Johnson:—Mr. Parker moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. S. Charles Johnson, presented by him yesterday, be printed.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

14. Absent Defendants Bill:—The Attorney General having presented this Bill, Bill intituled "A Bill to remove doubts respecting the Absent Defendants Act, and to amend the same," read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

15. Form of Lesse of Crown Lands:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the Form of Lease granted, or proposed to be granted to occupants of Crown Lands, in the intermediate and unsettled Districts of the Colony.

Question put and passed;—

Whereupon the Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the Return to the Address.

Ordered to be printed.

Councill adjourned at ten minutes before five o'clock, until To-morrow, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Solicitor General to move, That the Law of Evidence Bill be now recommenced.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Financial Message No. 26, for the year 1854-5, with accompanying Minutes and Estimates.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
3. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Petition of certain Pawnbrokers, presented on the 11th instant, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of Pawnbroking.

2. Mr. Parker to move, That the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition from thirty residents in the District of Moreton Bay, praying the House to pass a Bill to incorporate the "Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company."

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Absent Defendants Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, JULY 28.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Holden to move:—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egat, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Douglas.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth—

(1.) The name of each person to whom any money has been paid out of Schedule A of the Act of Parliament 18 and 19 Victoria, cap. 59, during the year 1853.

(2.) The office or office(s) (if any) held by such person during that year.

(3.) The amount of money (if any) paid to every such person, in addition to the amount paid to him out of the said Schedule during the said year.

(4.) The authority (if any) by which such additional sum has been so paid.

(5.) The fund from which such additional sum has been so paid.

(6.) The amount paid to each person in respect of each office (if more-than-one) held by him.

3. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Currency in New South Wales of the Gold and Silver Coin issued from the Royal Mint in London, or from the Branch of the Royal Mint in Sydney.
4. Mr. Murray to move:
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Flets, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. Morris to move:
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Wayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttor.

3. Mr. Blinn to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Ordinance in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—
   (1) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Ordinance in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessee of the Run wherein the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 90.
   (2) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate districts.
   (3) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. Cowper to move:
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively throughout the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. Darvall to move:
   (1) That the Pontar Npaon Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Mr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Cox.

6. Mr. Darvall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council a Bill to appropriate the sum of £50,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Office from the 1st of June, A.D. 1851, to the 1st of June, A.D. 1854.

7. Mr. Darvall to move:
   (1) That the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Colonel Barney, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dunares, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

8. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Petition of the Letter Carriers of Sydney, presented by him on the 26th ultimo, be printed.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 29, with Tolls Regulation Bill.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 27 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Law of Evidence Bill:—The Solicitor-General moved, pursuant to notice,—That this Bill be now re-committed.

Question put and passed:—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

2. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the severalundermentioned Papers:—

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Road between Braidwood and the Clyde adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 20th ultimo. Ordered to be printed.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Baskhurst adopted, on Motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 6th December, 1853.

3. Finance 1854-5:—The Governor General's Financial Message No. 26, for the year 1854-5, received on the 19th instant, having been read on Motion of the Colonial Treasurer:—

The Colonial Treasurer moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of the accompanying Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

Question put and passed:—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

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

4. Leave of absence for one week granted to Mr. Thurlow, on Motion of Mr. Holroyd.

5. Gold Fields Management Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Attorney General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time this day week.

6. Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to authorize the formation of Volunteer Corps in the Colony of New South Wales, and for the Regulation thereof."

Question put and passed.

7. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Parkes, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

(2.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

(3.) The second reading of the Absent Defendants' Bill postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until to-morrow.

Council adjourned at twenty minutes after Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JULY 23.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holden to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of affording pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Norris, and Dr. Douglas.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth—
   (1.) The name of each person to whom any money has been paid out of Schedule A of the Act of Parliament 15 and 14 Victoria, cap. 58, during the year 1853.
   (2.) The office or offices (if any) held by such person during that year.
   (3.) The amount of money (if any) paid to every such person, in addition to the amount paid to him out of the said Schedule during the said year.
   (4.) The authority (if any) by which such additional sum has been so paid.
   (5.) The fund from which such additional sum has been so paid.
   (6.) The amount paid to each person in respect of each office (if more than one) held by him.

3. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Currency in New South Wales of the Gold and Silver Coin issued from the Royal Mint in London, or from the Branch of the Royal Mint in Sydney.

4. Mr. Murray to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood.

5. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth—
   (1.) The name of each Officer of any of the Departments chargeable upon Schedule A of the Act of Parliament 15 and 14 Victoria, cap. 58, whose Salary has been increased since the 31st of December last.
   (2.) The amount of such increase.
   (3.) The authority by which such increase was made.
   (4.) The fund from which such increase has been paid.
   (5.) The total amount per annum paid to each such Officer since the 31st of December last.

6. The Attorney General to move, That the Standing Orders in reference to Public Bills be suspended, in order that the Absent Defendants Bill may be read a second and third time on and passed to-day.

7. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition from thirty residents in the District of Moreton Bay, praying the House to pass a Bill to incorporate "The Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company."

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Absent Defendants Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Law of Evidence Bill Reported 2°; Adoption of the Report.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. Norris to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Suttor.

3. Mr.Hugh to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—
   (1.) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessee of the Run wherein the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 90.
(2.) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.
(3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. COWPER to move:—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively throughout the Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:- The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parke, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

5. Mr. DARVALL to move:—
(1.) That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:- Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egas, and Mr. Cox.

6. Mr. DARVALL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council a Bill to appropriate the sum of £6,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Office from the Ist of June, A.D. 1851, to the 1st of June, A.D. 1854.

7. Mr. COWPER to move:—
(1.) That the Pitt Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:- Colonel Barney, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dunarey, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney General.

8. Mr. DARVALL to move, That the Petition of the Letter Carriers of Sydney, presented by him on the 20th ultimo, be printed.

9. Mr. NICHOLAS to move, That the Petition of certain Pawnbrokers, presented on the 11th ultimo, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of Pawnbroking.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 59, with Tolls Regulation Bill.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. MARTIN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys.
2. Mr. MARTIN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 28 JULY, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Clergymen's Stipends—Mr. Holden moved, pursuant to notice—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report "upon the best" means "of affording" pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass. Mr. Martin moved the Previous Question.

Debate ensued.

Previous Question by leave withdrawn.

Original Question by leave amended by substituting the words "whether any and what" for the words "upon the best" following the word "report," and the words "can be adopted to afford" for the words "of affording" following the word "means." Question then stated as follows:—

(1.) "That" a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether any and what means can be adopted to afford pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. Egan, Mr. Finch, Mr. Morris, and Dr. Douglass.

Debate continued.

The Solicitor General moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words in section (1) following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether any and what means can be adopted to afford pecuniary assistance to Ministers of Religion."

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

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 19.

Noes, 7.

The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. Park,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Auditor General,
Mr. Halsey,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Darvell,
Mr. Holden,
The Postmaster General,
The Inspector General of Police,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Allen,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Parker, (Tellers.)

Whereupon Question put—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether any and what means can be adopted to afford pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations recognised by the law of the Colony, it being generally admitted that the Stipends received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.

Counsel divided.

Ayes.
Ayes, 21.
Mr. Park,
Mr. Macarthur,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Darville,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Bighi,
Mr. Holden,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. Murray,
The Attorney General,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Allen,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
The Auditor General,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Egmont.

Noes, 5.
The Solicitor General,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Nicholas,
Mr. Morris.

The Colonial Secretary then required that the Committee be appointed by Ballot.—Whereupon the Council proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the Mover, the Committee duly appointed, viz.— Mr. Allen, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Dr. Douglass, the Attorney General, and Mr. Finch.

2. Hebrew Congregation.—Mr. Nicho1as presented a Petition from certain representatives of the Hebrew Congregation in Sydney, setting forth that they have written to London to secure the services of a Chief Rabbi, and that the only aid they required towards the erection of their Synagogue was the sum of £2,000, and praying relief. Petition received.

3. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill.—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 19th instant. Ordered to be printed.

4. Salaries paid in 1853 under Schedule A parts 1 and 2:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to adjourned notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return setting forth—

(1.) The name and situation of each person to whom any fixed salary, temporary increase, or allowance, has been paid out of Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 13 and 14 Victoria, cap. 50, during the year 1853.

(2.) The amount of money (if any) paid to every such person, in addition to the amount paid to him out of the said Schedule during the said year.

(3.) The authority by which such additional sum has been so paid.

(4.) The amount paid to each person in respect of each office (if more than one) held by him.

Question put and passed.

5. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to adjourned notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth:

(1.) The name of each Officer of any of the Departments chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 13 and 14 Victoria, cap. 50, whose Salary has been increased since the 31st of December last.

(2.) The amount of such increase.

(3.) The authority by which such increase was made.

(4.) The fund from which such increase has been paid.

(5.) The total amount per annum paid to each such Officer since the 31st of December last.

Question put and passed.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Murray postponed the motion standing on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

7. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—Mr. Martin having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to regulate the Currency in New South Wales of the Gold and Silver Coins issued from the Royal Mint in London or from the Branch of the Royal Mint in Sydney," read a second time, Ordered, to be printed, and read a second time this day next.

8. Increase in 1854 to Salaries chargeable upon Schedule A parts 1 and 2:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to adjourned notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth:

(1.) The name of each Officer of any of the Departments chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 13 and 14 Victoria, cap. 50, whose Salary has been increased since the 31st of December last.

(2.) The amount of such increase.

(3.) The authority by which such increase was made.

(4.) The fund from which such increase has been paid.

(5.) The total amount per annum paid to each such Officer since the 31st of December last.

Question put and passed.

9. AbsentDefendants Bill:—The Attorney General moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders in reference to Public Bills be suspended, in order that the Absent Defendants Bill may be read a second and third time and passed to-day.

Question put and passed.
10. Morton Bay Immigration and Land Company:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, that the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition from thirty residents in the District of Morton Bay, praying the House to pass a Bill to Incorporate “The Morton Bay Immigration and Land Company.”

The motion put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the Members of a Provisional Committee of the Morton Bay Immigration and Land Company, praying leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate said Company.

Petition received.

Mr. Parkes then produced the Government Gazette, and the Empire newspaper, containing notice, for four consecutive weeks in the months of May and June last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

11. Absent Defendants Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and Bill, as so reported, on motion of the Attorney General, read a third time; and passed.

The Attorney General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to revise the Absent Defendants Act, and to amend the same.”

Question put and passed.

12. Law of Evidence Bill Reported 2°:—The Report 2° of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

Council adjourned at a quarter after Six o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Tuesday, August 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

2. Mr. NORMAN to move:—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Macing, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Masleny, and Mr. Suttor.

3. Mr. BiLLOH to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptory right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion:—

(1) That lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessee of the Run whereas the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 80.

(2) That all lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purposes of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or Intermediate Districts.

(3) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. GOWER to move:—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Masleny.

5. Mr. DARWALL to move:—

(1) That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Cox.

6. Mr. DARWALL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council a Bill to appropriate the sum of £20,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Office from the 1st of June, A.D. 1851, to the 1st of June, A.D. 1854.
7. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That the First Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill be referred for the
   consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Colonel Barney,
   Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dumaresq, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray,
   and the Attorney General.
8. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Petition of the Letter Carriers of Sydney, presented
   by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed.
9. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Petition of certain Pawnbrokers, presented on the
   11th ultimo, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of
   Pawnbroking.
10. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying
    that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,
    a Copy of the Contract entered into for the completion of the Circular Quay, together
    with the Specification relating to the same.
11. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Petition of the Hebrew Congregation presented by him
    on the 28th ultimo, be printed.
12. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissi-
    oners for making, managing, and upholding the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee
    Roads.
13. Mr. Murray to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws
   relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of The Attorney General, The Solicitor General,
   Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marah, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and
   Mr. Flood.
14. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Moreton Bay
    Immigration and Land Company.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 29, with Tolls Regulation Bill.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5; to be further considered in Committees.
4. Law of Evidence Bill; third reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers
   and Attorney.
2. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal
   Mint in New South Wales.
3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s
   Bill be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the
   trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 1 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Assent to Bill.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Absent Defendants Bill.

2. Scots Church Trustees Bill.—Mr. Macleay presented a Petition from the Revd. William McKe, Minister, Thomas Howe, Rector, and William Burrell and William Reach, Deacons, of the Scots Church at Campbelltown, against the passing of this Bill. Petition received.

3. Sydney Paving Bill.—Mr. Darvell presented a Petition from Thomas Hyndes, landlord of the City of Sydney, praying to be heard against this Bill, by Counsel, before the Select Committee to whose consideration and report it has been referred, and also, if necessary, at the Bar of the House, before it be read a third time. Petition received.

4. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undetermined Papers:—
   (1) A Report from the Director of the Botanic Gardens, in reference to the Sand Drifts at Newnash.
   (2) The Return to the Address in reference to Publicans' Licenses adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 13th June last. Ordered to be printed.

5. Postponement.—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Parkes, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Parkes first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

6. Scab in Sheep.—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Finch.

   Question (1).—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called scab.—put and passed.

   Question (2).—That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wm. Macarthur, Mr. Manning, Captain Mayne, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Macleay, and Mr. Finch.—put and passed.

7. Postponement.—Mr. Bligh postponed the motion standing in his name, third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

8. Education.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.

   Question (1).—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively, throughout the Colony.—put and passed.

   Question (2).—That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Capt. King, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Martin, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Macleay.—put and passed.

9. Parrish Nepean Bridge Bill.—Mr. Darvell moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1) That the Parrish Nepean Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Cox.

   Question (1).—That the Parrish Nepean Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.—put and passed.

   Question (2).—That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Nichols, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Martin, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Cox.—put and passed.
10. Augmentation to Salary of Governor General.—Mr. Darrell moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council a Bill to "appropriate" the sum of £20,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Household from the 1st of June, A.D. 1851, to the 1st of June, A.D. 1854.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Holroyd moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words and figures following the word "appropriate," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words and figures following, viz., "the sum of £20,000 in augmentation of the Salary of the Governor General, to defray the increased expenses of his Household from the 1st January, 1853, to the 1st July, 1854."

Debate continued.

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

Council divided.

Ayes, 27.
Mr. Park,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Cox,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Dobie,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Darrell,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Chisholm,
Mr. Cowper,
Captain Dumaresq,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Finch,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Holden,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Egne,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Martin,
Tellers.

Noes, 5.
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Iliff,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Holroyd.

Whereupon Original Question put.

Council divided.

Ayes, 24.
Mr. Park,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Cox,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Dobie,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Darrell,
Mr. Chisholm,
Captain Dumaresq,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Finch,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Holden,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Egne,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Martin,
Tellers.

Noes, 8.
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Iliff,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Holroyd.

11. Assent to Bill.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Felons Bill.

12. John Carey.—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from John Carey, late Sergeant in the 44th Regiment, representing that he arrived in this Colony as a Commissary Pensioner in 1852—that he is now in a state of want—and praying relief.

Petition received.

13. Fits Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Fits Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Colonel Barney, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dumaresq, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney-General.

Question.—(1.) That the Fits Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.
3.

Question—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Colonel Barney, Mr. G. Bowran, Captain Dumaresq, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, and the Attorney-General—put and passed.

14. Letter Carriers:—Mr. Darvall moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Letter Carriers of Sydney, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed. Motion amended. Motion by leave withdrawn.

15. Pawnbroking:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of certain Pawnbrokers, presented on the 11th ultimo, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of Pawnbroking. Question put and passed.

16. Postponement:—Mr. Flood postponed the motion standing in his name, tenth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

17. Hebrew Congregation:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Hebrew Congregation, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

18. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for making, managing, and upholding the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads. Question put and passed; Ordered that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

19. Administration of Intestate Estates: Mr. Murray, moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of The Attorney-General, The Solicitor-General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood. Debate ensued.

Question—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to the Administration of Intestate Estates—put and passed.

Question—(2.) That such Committee consist of The Attorney-General, The Solicitor-General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Cowper, Captain King, and Mr. Flood—put and passed.

20. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill:—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for making, "managing, and upholding the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads," read "a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on next Friday week.

21. Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company. Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

Council adjourned at a Quarter after Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:—
1. Spring-streets Enclosure Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 59, with Tolls Regulation Bill.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Law of Evidence Bill; third reading.

Other Business—Notice of Motion:—
1. Mr. Macleay to move, That the Petition of the Minister, Elder, and Deacons of the Scots Church at Campbelltown, presented by him yesterday, be printed.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.

Government Business—Order of the Day:—

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4.

Notice of Motion:—
1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys.
2. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.
4. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyndes, presented by him on the last instant, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Sydney Paving Bill has been referred.

Order of the Day:—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

3. Mr. Blight to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Ordinances in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 10th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—

(1.) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Ordinances in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessee of the Bun wherein the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 36.

(2.) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.

(3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Contract entered into for the completion of the Circular Quay, together with the Plan and Specification relating to the same.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 2 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Circular Quay.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read.—

CHAS. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Referring to the 12th paragraph of the Governor General's Financial Minute, dated the 19th ultimo, His Excellency now transmits to the Council the Plans and Estimates according to which it is proposed to complete the Circular Quay, and also a copy of the Contract entered into for the performance of the work.

Government House,
Sydney, 1 August, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying documents, and taken into consideration with the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

2. Shipping Master's Department.—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from certain Merchants, Shipowners, Agents, Shipmasters, and others connected with the Shipping and Commercial Interests of the Colony, praying the repeal of the 13th section of the Water Police Regulation Act, 17 Vict., No. 30.
Petition received.

3. Mrs. Mary Singleton.—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from Mrs. Mary Singleton, representing that she has been unable to obtain compensation for a Court and Lock-up House erected by her late husband, Mr. Benjamin Singleton, in the town of Singleton, and praying relief.
Petition received.

4. Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill.—Mr. Parke having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th Section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to establish and Incorporate a Company to be called The Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company," read a first time.

5. Spring-street Enclosure Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a second time.
Mr. Holroyd then moved, That this Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Martin, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Cowper, The Solicitor General, Mr. Parke, Mr. Flood, and Mr. Egan.

Question put and passed.

6. Tolls Regulation Bill.—The Governor General's Message No. 29, received with this Bill on the 29th ultimo, having been read, on Motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Governor and Executive Council to regulate the Amount of Tolls to be taken on Public Roads," read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

7. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—The Auditor General moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Message No. 30. Debate ensued.
Mr. Darvell moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the remainder of the Estimates be referred back to Government" meant for re-consideration.

Debate continued.
Mr. Murray moved, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Question—on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow—put and passed.

8. Law of Evidence Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed. The Solicitor General then moved, That the title of this Bill, be "An Act further to amend the Law of Evidence."

Question put and passed.

9. Postponement.—Mr. James Macarthur, on behalf of Mr. Macleay, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Macleay on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at twenty minutes after Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at three o'clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of the Auditor General, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Message No. 30. Upon which Mr. Darvall had moved, by way of amendment, That all the words following the word "That," at the commencement, be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the remainder of the Estimates be referred back to Govern-
ment for re-consideration."

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move, That the name of Mr. George Mackay be placed upon the Roads and Railways Committee appointed on the 27th June last, in the room of Mr. Wm. Macarthur.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys.
2. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.
4. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyde, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Sydneyaving Bill has been referred.
5. Mr. Douglass to move, That the Standing Orders relating to private Bills be sus-
pended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition, praying the introduction of a Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Minmi to Hexham.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
3. Mr. Blight to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—
   (1) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessees of the Crown whereon the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 36.
   (2) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settle-
ment, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate District.
(3) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
4. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Contract entered into for the completion of the Circular Quay, together with the Plan and Specification relating to the same.
5. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windger, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.
6. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 3 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Postponement.—The third reading of the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on
   motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day three weeks.
   2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5.—The Adjourned Debate on the Motion of the
   Auditor General,—"That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council
   resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for further consideration of the Supple-
   mentary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854–5, with Message
   No. 90.—
   Upon which Mr. Darvall had moved, by way of amendment,—That all the words
   following the word "That" at the commencement be omitted, with a view to the
   insertion in their place of the words "the remainder of the Estimates be referred
   back to Government for re-consideration,"—referred;—
   Question put.—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
   Council divided.

   Ayes, 32.
   The Colonial Secretary,
   Mr W. Macarthur,
   The Attorney General,
   The Colonial Treasurer,
   The Solicitor General,
   The Auditor General,
   Mr. Bradley,
   Mr. J. Macarthur,
   Dr. Douglass,
   Mr. Allen,
   Mr. Marsh,
   Mr. Martin,
   Mr. Broadhurst,
   Mr. Polio,
   Mr. Finch,
   The Collector of Customs,
   Mr. Egen,
   Mr. Chamblin,
   Mr. Nichols,
   Mr. Murray,
   Mr. Berry,
   The Postmaster General,
   The Inspector General of Police,
   Mr. Barker,
   Mr. Parker,
   Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
   Mr. A. Osborne,
   Captain King,
   Mr. Cox,
   Mr. G. Bowman,
   Mr. Park, Tellers.

   Noes, 10.
   Mr. Oakes,
   Mr. Flood,
   Mr. Bligh,
   Mr. Parker,
   Mr. Campbell,
   Mr. Smart,
   Mr. Hainsey,
   Mr. Thurlow,
   Mr. Darvall, Tellers.
   Mr. Cowper.

   Original Question put and passed;—
   Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Com-
   mittee of the whole accordingly.
   The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next.
   3. Roads and Railways.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the name of Mr.
   George Macleay be placed upon the Roads and Railways Committee appointed on
   the 27th June last, in the room of Mr. Wm. Macarthur.
   Question put and passed.
   Council adjourned at Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys.
2. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
3. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.
4. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Petitions of Mr. Thomas Hyndes, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed, and referred to the Select Committees for whose consideration and report the Sydney Paving Bill has been referred.
5. Mr. Douglass to move, That the Standing Orders relating to private Bills be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition, praying the introduction of a Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Mimmi to Haxham.
6. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Mortpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Mortpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colonies; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Parkinson to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
3. Mr. Bligh to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 10th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,
   (1.) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessees of the Run wherein the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 35.
   (2.) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.
   (3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
4. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Contract entered into for the completion of the Circular Quay, together with the Plan and Specification relating to the same.
5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windceter, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.
6. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.
7. Mr. Parkinson to move, That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
8. That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart.
9. Mr. Darvell to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the continuance in office of unpaid Justices of the Peace.

WEDNESDAY,
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Regulation Bill; second reading.

Rates of Expenditure for 1854-5; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1st Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move (on report made that the Royal Assent has been given to the Volunteer Corps Bill) That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty's sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy's Colors, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Tolls Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1864-5; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James MacArthur to move (on report made that the Royal Assent has been given to the Volunteer Corps Bill) That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty’s sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy’s Colors, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.
2. Mr. Parker to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorized Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.
3. Mr. Bligh to move, That complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 30th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—
   (1.) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders, in council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Lessees of the Run whereon the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 30.
   (2.) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.
   (3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
4. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Contract entered into for the completion of the Circular Quay, together with the Plan and Specification relating to the same.
5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.
6. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.
7. Mr. Parker to move:
   (1.) That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Gower, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart.
8. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the continuance in office of unpaid Justices of the Peace.
9. Mr. Macleay to move, That the Petition of the Minister, Elder, and Deacons of the Scots Church at Campbelltown, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed.
10. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys.

11. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

12. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill be now read a second time.

13. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hydes, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Sydney Paving Bill has been referred.

14. Mr. Douglas to move, That the Standing Orders relating to private Bills be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition, praying the introduction of a Bill to authorise the continuation of a Railway from Miami to Hexham.

15. Mr. Nichols to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1855, to the 30th June, 1856; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Tolls Regulation Bill; second reading.

2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:

Mr. James MacArthur to move (an report made that the Royal Assent has been given to the Volunteer Corps Bill) That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty’s sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy’s Colours, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 8 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Asent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—

(1.) Volunteers and Yeomanry Corps Bill.
(2.) Aggregate Assumptions Bill.
(3.) Military Lands Bill.
(4.) Commissioner of Claims Remuneration Bill.
(5.) Masters' and Servants' Bill.

2. Dropped Motion:—Mr. James Macarthur not moving the Contingent Motion standing in his name, it dropped; but Mr. Martin gave notice, on behalf of Mr. James Macarthur, for Friday next, of an ordinary motion to the same effect.

3. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several mentioned Papers:—

(1.) Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, No. 25, of 18th March, 1854, in reference to the eligibility of North American Ships for the conveyance of Emigrants.

Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.


Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.

(3.) Report from Mr. Commissioner King, of date the 20th July, 1854, in reference to new Gold Diggings discovered in the direction of the Hanging Rock.

Ordered to be printed.

(4.) Report from the Government Resident at Port Curtis, of date the 4th July, 1854, on the line of Road connecting that Settlement with Sydney.

Ordered to be printed.

(5.) The Blue Book for the year 1853.

4. Goulburn Police:—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from certain of the Constabulary of the Police District of Goulburn, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.

Petition received.

5. Leave of Absence for one week granted to Mr. Nichols, on motion of Mr. Egan.

6. Postponement:—Dr. Douglass, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd first on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

7. Coal Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coals by Proprietors of Collieries and Coal Pits, and to provide for the establishment of an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney.

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

8. Pre-emptive Rights of Squatters:—Mr. Bligh moved, pursuant to notice, "That" complaint having been made to this House by Petition, that certain Reserves on Crown Lands have been claimed under the pre-emptive right given by the Orders in Council of 9th March, 1847, and 19th June, 1850,—this Council is of opinion,—

(1.) That Lands Reserved by the Government, under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, are not subject to the pre-emptive right of the Leasee of the Run whereon the same may be situated, and can only be sold in accordance with the provisions of the Land Sales Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 36.

(2.) That all Lands fit for Agriculture, all mineral lands, all lands on and adjacent to Navigable Rivers, and on the sea coast, should be reserved for the purpose of settlement, whether the same be in the settled, unsettled, or intermediate Districts.

(3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General

Debate ensued.

Mr. Cowper moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the "operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the "Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial 
Government under them.

"That such Committee consist of the following members, viz.:—Mr. Flood, Mr. J. 
Macarthur, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Martin, Mr. Norris, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Smart, and 
Mr. Bligh.

Debate continued.
Question put—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. Council divided.

Ayes, 14.  
Mr. Allen,  
Mr. Parker,  
Mr. Cooper,  
Mr. Park,  
Mr. Murray,  
Mr. Bradley,  
Mr. Sother,  
Mr. Flood,  
Mr. Owen,  
Mr. Smart,  
Mr. Campbell,  
Mr. H. Osborne,  
Mr. Egan,  
Mr. Parker,  
Mr. Bligh,  
Mr. Martin.  

Noes, 16.  

The Colonial Secretary then required that the proposed Committee be appointed by Ballot:—

Question.—That in place of the words omitted there be inserted the words "a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them."—put and passed.

Whereupon Question.—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them.—put and passed.

The Council then proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the mover, the Committee duly appointed, viz.:—Mr. Martin, Mr. Murray, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Henry Osborne, Mr. Bradley, Colonel Darby, Mr. Bligh, and Mr. Flood.

9. Coal Bill.—Mr. Parkes having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to regulate the supply and delivery of Coal from Collieries and Colliery in New South Wales, and to make provision for an authorised Coal Meter in the Port of Sydney," read a first time;—Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day fortnight.

10. Motion Withdrawn.—Mr. Flood withdrew the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for today.

11. Postponements:—

(1) Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols fifth and sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

(2) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

12. Unpaid Justices Bill.—Mr. Darrell moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the appointment and continuance in office of unpaid Justices of the Peace. Bill read a first time;—Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day fortnight.

13. Scots Church Trustees' Bill.—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Scots Church at Campbelltown, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

14. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill.—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Admission of Barristers and Attorneys. Question put and passed;—Ordered, That the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

15. Postponements:—

(1) Mr. Martin postponed the motion standing in his name eleventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.

(2) Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd twelfth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

(3) Mr. Holden, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, further postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

16. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill.—Mr. Martin having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "A Bill to regulate the admission of Barristers and Attorneys," read a first time;—Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

17. Sydney Paving Bill.—Mr. Darrell moved, pursuant to notice,—That the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hydes, presented by him on the 1st instant, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Sydney Paving Bill has been referred.

Order to be printed, and referred accordingly.

18. Contiguity of Railway from Minmi to Hexham.—Dr. Douglass moved, pursuant to notice, That, the Standing Orders relating to private Bills be suspended, with a view
view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill to authorise the continuation of a Railway from Murrumbidgee to Cootamundra. Debate ensued.

19. Postponements:
   (1) Mr. Bigge, on behalf of Mr. Nicholls, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Nicholls fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
   (2) The second reading of the Gold and Silver Currency Bills postponed, on motion of Mr. Martin, until Friday next.

Council adjourned at five minutes after eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Tolls Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5 with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Instructions given for carrying out the recommendations of the Select Committee appointed, in the year 1852, to report upon the Dry Dock and Cockatoo Island.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th Standing Order be suspended, with the view of presenting a Petition for the introduction of a Bill for the further amendment of an Act, intituled, "An Act to authorise the completion of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle."

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macartney to move, That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty's sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy's Colors, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.
2. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Willingrove, having reference to the removal of Mr. Frederick Dunbar from the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions.
3. Mr. Parkes to move:
   (1) That the Mortuary Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart.
4. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.
5. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.
2. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windeyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.
2. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing
fusing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

3. Mr. PARKER to move:

(1.) That it is a matter publicly known that several ships have been dispatched from New South Wales to the ports of India for the purpose of bringing to those shores, in large numbers, a class of labourers who, from their ignorance of our laws and language, are ill fitted to protect themselves in their contracts with persons in every respect more advantageously circumstanced.

(2.) That it is a duty incumbent on this House to inquire into the provision made for the conveyance of this class of people to the Colony, and to adopt adequate measures for their protection after their arrival on our shores.

(3.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence on the chartering and victualling of the ships employed in this immigration trade, and the nature of the agreements entered into with the immigrants; and to consider and report whether it is necessary or admissible to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of immigrants.

(4.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Marsh, Dr. Douglas, Mr. James Macarthur, the Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, the Attorney General, and Mr. Sutter.

4. Mr. NICHOLSON to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1858, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. MARTIN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Coal Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 9 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Intemperance.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Landlords, Proprietors, Householders, and Residents in the City of Sydney and the suburbs thereof, praying the repeal of such portions of the Law as legalize the sale of Alcoholic and Intoxicating Liquors, or to be heard by Counsel, at the Bar, or before the Select Committee on Intemperance, in support of their Petition.

3. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
   (1.) Report from Mr. Commissioner Musie, dated 18th July, 1854, in reference to the New England Gold Fields.
   Ordered to be printed.
   (2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the case of William John King adopted, on motion of Mr. Thurlow, on the 12th ultimo.
   Ordered to be printed.
   (3.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Road Trust System adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 20th June last.
   Referred to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways.

4. Turnkeys and Constables of Darlinghurst Goal.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Turnkeys and Constables of Darlinghurst Goal representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.

5. Postponement.—The second reading of the Tolls Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.

6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Message No. 30.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10.

1. Tolls Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committees.

FRIDAY,

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any instructions given for carrying out the recommendations of the Select Committees appointed, in the year 1852, to report upon the Dry Dock and Cockatoo Island.

2. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th Standing Order be suspended, with the view of presenting a Petition for the introduction of a Bill for the further amendment of an Act, intituled, "An Act to authorize the continuation of a tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle."

3. Mr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Miami to Hexham.
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move, That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty’s sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy’s Colors, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

2. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Wollongrove, having reference to the removal of Mr. Frederick Dunbar from the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions.

3. Mr. Parkes to move:

(1.) That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz:—Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart.

4. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill be now read a second time.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

6. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition of the Turnkeys and Constables of Darling-hurst Gaol, presented by him on the 9th instant, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

2. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholson to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windsor, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

2. Mr. Nicholson to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Pension to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

3. Mr. Parkes to move:

(1.) That it is a matter publicly known that several ships have been dispatched from New South Wales to the ports of India for the purpose of bringing to these shores, in large numbers, a class of labourers who, from their ignorance of our laws and language, are ill fitted to protect themselves in their contracts with persons in every respect more advantageously circumstanced.

(2.) That it is a duty incumbent on this House to inquire into the provision made for the conveyance of this class of people to the Colony, and to adopt adequate measures for their protection after their arrival on our shores.

(3.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence on the chartering and viacalling of the ships employed in this immigration trade, and the nature of the agreements entered into with the immigrants; and to consider and report whether it is necessary or advisable to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of immigrants.

(4.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz:—Mr. Marsh, Dr. Douglass, Mr. James Macarthur, the Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Holroyd, the Attorney General, and Mr. Susis.

4. Mr. Nicholson to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, A Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1858, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the said period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the River Darling, and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

5. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Newcastle to the Governor General, dated the 29th November, 1858, enclosing the Despatch to the Lieutenant Governor of Victoria, upon the Land Sales Act and Orders in Council, be referred to the Select Committee appointed on the 5th instant, to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them.
6. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition praying the repeal of such portions of the law as authorize the sale of Alcoholic and Intoxicating Liquors, presented by him on the 9th instant, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Coal Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to Commissioners for the Sale of Crown Lands adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 16th June last. Ordered to be printed.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Shipping and Exports of Newcastle adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 7th ultimo. Ordered to be printed.

(3.) The Return to the Address in reference to Mr. Joseph Matthews, Mail Contractor, adopted, on motion of Mr. Thurlow, on the 11th ultimo. Ordered to be printed; except the Way Bills, which, when done with, are to be returned to the custody of the Postmaster General.

2. Tolls Regulation Bill:—The Colonial Secretary moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn; and Order discharged from the Paper.

3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Message No. 30. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

4. Recommendations of Select Committee on Dry Dock and Cockatoo Island:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Instructions given for carrying out the recommendations of the Select Committee appointed, in the year 1852, to report upon the Dry Dock and Cockatoo Island. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

5. Burwood Tramroad:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the 50th Standing Order be suspended, with the view of presenting a Petition for the introduction of a Bill for the further amendment of an Act, intituled, "An Act to authorise the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle." Debate ensued.

Question put and passed;—Whereupon Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from James Mitchell, of the City of Sydney, Surgeon, and Henry Gilbert Smith, Chairman of the Newcastle Coal and Copper Company, praying leave to introduce the said Bill. Petition received.

Mr. Cowper then produced the Government Gazette, and the Sydney Morning Herald, Empire, and Daily Mercury newspapers, containing notice, for four consecutive weeks, in the month of June last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

6. Minmi and Hexham Railway Bill:—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Minmi to Hexham. Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Secondier prepare and bring in the Bill.

Council adjourned at a quarter after Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move. That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to cooperate with Her Majesty's sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Enemy's Colors, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

2. Mr. Parke to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Wollingrove, having reference to the removal of Mr. Frederick Dunbar from the Office of Clerk of Pay Sessions.

3. Mr. Parke to move:—
   (1.) That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Bigge, Mr. S. Reid, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Swain.

4. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

6. Mr. Parke to move, That the Petition of the Turnkeys and Constables of Darlinghurst Gaol, presented by him on the 9th instant, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.
2. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nicotra to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windroper, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

2. Mr. Nicotra to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorize the payment of a pension to a Minister of Religion for the Congregations professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

3. Mr. Parke to move:—
   (1.) That it is a matter publicly known that several ships have been dispatched from New South Wales to the ports of India for the purpose of bringing to these shores, in large numbers, a class of labourers who, from their ignorance of our laws and languages, are ill fitted to protect themselves in their contracts with persons in every respect more advantageously circumstanced.
   (2.) That it is a duty incumbent on this House to inquire into the provision made for the conveyance of this class of people to the Colony, and to adopt such measures for their protection after their arrival on our shores.
   (3.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence on the matter and consider and report whether it is advisable to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of immigrants.
   (4.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. M'Arth, Dr. Douglas, Mr. James Macarthur, the Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, the Attorney General, and Mr. Sutor.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, prayer that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the same; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

5. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Newcastle to the Governor General, dated the 29th November, 1853, encloseing the Despatch to the Lieutenant Governor of Victoria, upon the Land Sales Act and Orders in Council, be referred
referred to the Select Committee appointed on the 8th instant, to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them.

6. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition praying the repeal of such portions of the law as authorize the sale of Alcoholic and Intoxicating Liquors, presented by him on the 9th instant, be printed.

7. Mr. MACDOWELL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Oddie, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1864-5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Geo. Bowman to move for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act 18 Victoria, No. 41, intituled, "An Act for the managing, making, and upholding of the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein mentioned," so far as regards the Windsor Trust.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—


TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Coal Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Minni and Hexham Railway Bill:—Dr. Douglas having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, included "A Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from "Minni to Hexham," read a first time.

2. Mr. John Gunning:—Mr. Campbell presented a Petition from John Gunning, of Ipswich, in the Colony of New South Wales, Master Stonemason, representing that in November, 1854, he entered into a contract for the erection of a Bridge at Yass, and of Approaches thereto; that he fulfilled his contract as early as circumstances would permit, and that he had been unable to receive payment, and praying relief.

Petition received.

3. Hartley Bench:—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from certain Magistrates, Clergymen, Landholders, and other residents in the Police District of Hartley, representing the inconvenience they are subjected to by reason of the non-attendance of a Magistrate on occasions when they have business to transact at the Court House; the necessity therefore for the appointment of a Resident Police Magistrate, and praying relief.

Petition received.

4. Volunteer Corps:—Mr. James Macarthur moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this Council, no time should be lost in taking the steps requisite for bringing into operation the law recently passed for embodying Volunteer Corps, in order that they may be in readiness to co-operate with Her Majesty's sea and land forces in the event of any hostile or predatory attack, under Her Majesty's Colonies, upon the City of Sydney, or other part of this Colony; and this Council pledges itself to provide the funds necessary for the above objects, and would urge upon the Executive the adoption of prompt and energetic measures in reference thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

6. Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice:

(1.) That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart.

Question.—(1.) That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question.—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:-Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Morris, The Attorney General, and Mr. Smart—put and passed.

7. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd fourth and fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

8. Turukays and Constables of Darlington Gaol:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Turukays and Constables of Darlington Gaol, presented by him on the 8th instant, be printed.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Volunteer Corps:—Mr. James Macarthur moved, with consent, That the Resolution passed this day, in reference to Volunteer Corps, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

Question put and passed.

10. Postponement:—The second reading of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads' Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Suttor, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.
11. **Gold and Silver Currency Bill:**—Mr. Martin moved,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Parkes moved,—That the Debate be adjourned until this day week.

Debate continued.

Question,—on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until this day week,—put and passed.

Counsel adjourned at Seven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

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**NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.**

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Widdowson, Esquire, late Senior Police magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

3. Mr. Parkes to move—

(1.) That it is a matter publicly known that several ships have been dispatched from New South Wales to the ports of India for the purpose of bringing to these shores, in large numbers, a class of labourers who, from their ignorance of our laws and language, are ill fitted to protect themselves in their contracts with persons in every respect more advantageously circumstanced.

(2.) That it is a duty incumbent on this House to inquire into the provision made for the conveyance of this class of people to the Colony, and to adopt adequate measures for their protection after their arrival on our shores.

(3.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence on the chartering and victualling of the ships employed in this immigration trade, and the nature of the agreements entered into with the immigrants; and to consider and report whether it is necessary or advisable to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of immigrants.

(4.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Marsh, Mr. Douglass, Mr. James Macarthur, the Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, the Attorney General, and Mr. Suttor.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

5. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Newcastle to the Governor General, dated the 29th November, 1853, enclosing the Despatch to the Lieutenant Governor of Victoria, upon the Land Sales Act and Orders in Council, be referred to the Select Committee appointed on the 8th instant, to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them.

6. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition praying the repeal of such portions of the law as authorize the sale of Alcoholic and Intoxicating Liquors, presented by him on the 9th instant, be printed.

7. Mr. Macleay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000, to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

8. Mr. Douglass to move—

(1.) That the Mission and Hexham Railway Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Cowper, Capt. King, Mr. Park, Mr. Flood, Capt. Dunmaraq, Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. George Howman.

9. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. Thomas Lindsay, of Belfield, Wollongong, and the Government, respecting the Holding of a Court by Messrs. Brown and Carter, at Singleton, on last Good Friday; together with Copies of any Opinion given by the Law Officers of the Crown in reference thereto.

10. Mr. Campbell to move, That the Petition of Mr. John Gunning, presented by him on the 11th instant, be printed.
11. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Wellingtons, having reference to the removal of Mr. Frederick Dunbar from the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions.

12. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill be now read a second time.

13. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for regulating the trade or business of Pawnbrokers in New South Wales.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Old Botany, Randwick, and Cootam Road Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Geo. Bowman to move for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act 18 Victoria, No. 41, intitled, "An Act for the managing, making, and upholding of " the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein mentioned," so far as regards the Windsor Trust.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


FRIDAY, AUGUST 18.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Martin, That the Gold and Silver Currency Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Coal Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 15 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Recommendations of Select Committee on Dry Dock and Cockato Island—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CHP. A. FITZROY,
Governor General.

In reply to the Address of the Legislative Council of the 10th instant, "requesting the Governor General to cause to be laid upon the Table of the House copies of any instructions given for carrying out the recommendations of the Select Committee appointed, in the year 1852, to report upon the Dry Dock and Cockato Island," His Excellency begs to inform the Legislative Council that, as he did not receive any intimation from the Council that the Report of the Committee had been adopted by the House, no instructions have been given having reference to the recommendations of that Report.

Govt. House, Sydney,
16 August, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Papers—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to Bonded Stores, adopted, on motion of Mr. A. Osborne, on the 4th ultimo.
(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Navigation of the River Murray, adopted, on motion of Mr. Macleay, on the 25th ultimo.
(3.) Return of the Assets and Liabilities of the several Banks for the Colony for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Further Leave of Absence for one week, granted to Mr. Nichols, on motion of Mr. Egan.

4. Postponement—Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Nichols first and second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

5. Indian Immigration—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That it is a matter publicly known that several ships have been dispatched from New South Wales to the ports of India for the purpose of bringing to these shores, in large numbers, a class of labourers who, from their ignorance of our language, are ill fitted to protect themselves in their contracts with persons in every respect more advantageously circumstanced.
(2.) That it is a duty incumbent on this House to inquire into the provision made for the conveyance of this class of people to the Colony, and to adopt adequate measures for their protection after their arrival on our shores.
(3.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence on the chartering and dispatching of the ships employed in this immigration trade, and the nature of the agreements entered into with the immigrants; and to consider and report whether it is necessary or advisable to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of immigrants.
(4.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Marsh, Dr. Douglas, Mr. James Macarthur, the Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Holroyd, the Attorney General, and Mr. Sattor.

Debate enquired.

Mr. Martin moved the Previous Question.

Debate continued.

Previous Question put—"Shall this Question be now put?"

Council divided.

Ayes, 17.
Mr. O. Bowman,
Mr. Holroyd,
The Attorney General,
The Solicitor General,
Dr. Douglas,
Mr. Sattor,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Parkinson,
Mr. Macleay,
Captain King,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Gilg,
Mr. Allen,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Parkes,

Noes, 12.
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Debec,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Morris,
Tellers.

Whereupon
Whereupon Original Question put,—
Council divided.

Ayes 21.
Mr. G. Bowman,
The Attorney General,
The Solicitor General,
Mr. Haliday,
Mr. Sabine,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Park,
Dr. Douglas,
Mr. Macfory,
Capita King,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Illich,
Mr. Allen,
The Collector of Customs,
The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Parke.

Noes 3.
The Inspector General of Police,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Barkor,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Egna,
Mr. F. Osborne,
Mr. Debie,
Mr. Martin,
Tellers.

6. Postponement.—Mr. Egna, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

7. Land Sales Act and Orders in Council.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Despatch of His Grace the Duke of Newcastle to the Governor General, dated the 20th November, 1858, enclosing the Despatch to the Lieutenant Governor of Victoria, upon the Land Sales Act and Orders in Council, be referred to the Select Committee appointed on the 8th instant, to inquire into the operation of the law regarding the occupation and sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown,—the Orders in Council,—and the Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them.
Question put and passed.

8. Intemperance.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition praying the repeal of such portions of the law as authorize the sale of Alcoholic and Intoxicating Liquors, presented by him on the 8th instant, be printed.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

9. Postponement.—Mr. Macfory postponed the motion standing in his name seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.

10. Miami and Hexham Railway Bill.—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Miami and Hexham Railway Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.,—Mr. Cowper, Capt. King, Mr. Park, Mr. Flood, Capt. Dunmore, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. George Bowman.

Question.—(1.) That the Miami and Hexham Railway Bill be referred to a Select Committees—put and passed.

Question.—(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.,—Mr. Cowper, Capt. King, Mr. Park, Mr. Flood, Capt. Dunmore, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. George Bowman—put and passed.

11. Course held at Singleton on Good Friday.—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. Thomas Lindsay, of Bullfield, Wollombi, and the Government, respecting the Holding of a Court by Messrs. Brown and Carter, at Singleton, on last Good Friday; together with Copies of any Opinion given by the Law Officers of the Crown in reference thereto.
Question put and passed.

12. Mr. John Gunning.—Mr. Campbell moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. John Gunning, presented by him on the 11th instant, be printed.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

13. Removal from Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions at Wellingrove.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Bench of Magistrates at Wellingrove, having reference to the removal of Mr. Frederick Dunbar from the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
Council divided.

Ayes, 7.
The Attorney General,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Morris, } Tellers.

Noes, 19.
The Solicitor General,
Mr. W. Bowman,
Mr. Park,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Macdonald,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Chisholm,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Mr. Marsh,
Mr. Sutter,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. A. Osborn,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Martin, } Tellers.

14. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, pursuant to notice,—
Mr. Holroyd moved, that the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
Question put and passed:—Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

15. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Holroyd withdrew the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day.

16. Unpaid Justice Bill:—Mr. Darrell having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A "Bill to limit the appointment and continuance in office of Unpaid Justices of the "Peace," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

17. Postponeements:—
(1) The second reading of the Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Martin, until this day six weeks.
(2) The second reading of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nicholls, until Tuesday next.
Council adjourned after Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move, That this Council, at its rising to-day, do adjourn until Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at Three o'clock.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. GEO. BOWMAN to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act 13 Vict., No. 41, intituled, "An Act for the managing, making, and upholding of "the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein men- "tioned," so far as regards the Windsor Trust.

2. Mr. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to authorize the continuation of a Turnpike Road from Burwood to the Wharf at "Newcastle."

3. Mr. HOLROYD to move, That the 50th and 61st Standing Orders of this House be suspended, in order to present a Petition praying leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—


FRIDAY,
FRIDAY, AUGUST 18.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Martin, That the Gold and Silver Currency Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

3. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorise the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

4. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.

5. Mr. Campbell to move:—
   (1) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Coal Bill; second reading.

2. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

3. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

4. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Mackay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £2,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 16 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Adjournment.—The Attorney General, with consent, moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of the Colonial Secretary, That this Council, at its rising to-day, do adjourn until Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at Three o’clock.

Question put and passed.

2. Intemperance.—Mr. Marsh presented a Petition from certain Magistrates, Clergymen, and Licensees of Crown Lands in the United Pastoral Districts of New England and the Mallee, and certain Residents in the Town of Armidale, representing the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance throughout the Colony, and praying prompt and energetic Legislative interference.

Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.

3. Postponement.—Further consideration in Committee of the Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Message No. 30, postponed, on motion of the Auditor General, until Wednesday next.

4. Windsor Road Trust Bill.—Mr. George Bowman moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act 12 Vict., No. 41, intituled, “An Act for Encouraging, making, and upholding the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” so far as regards the Windsor Trust.

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the bill.

5. Burwood Tram Road Bill.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend an Act, intituled, “An Act to authorize the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Necastle.”

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the bill.

6. Postponement.—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd-third on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

7. Burwood Tram Road Bill.—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five pounds had been received by the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, “A Bill further to amend an Act, intituled, ‘An Act to authorize the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Necastle,’” read a first time. Council adjourned at half-past Three o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

2. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windylay, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

3. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorize the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

4. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period.
5. Mr. Campbell to move:—
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 16th instant,
   with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred
   to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney
   General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and
   Mr. Bligh.

6. Mr. Martin to move, That a Call of the House be ordered for Tuesday the 26th of
   September next.

7. Mr. Marsh to move, That the Petition praying Legislative interference to check the
   alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 16th instant,
   be printed.

8. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders of this House be
   suspended, in order to present a Petition praying leave to bring in a Bill to form and
   make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the
   County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes
   therein mentioned.

9. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1.) That the Burwood Tram Road Bill be referred for the consideration and report of
   a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Barker, Colonel Barney, Mr. Bligh, Mr. G.
   Bowman, Capt. Dunareg, Mr. Morris, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Coal Bill; second reading.
2. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; to be further considered
   in Committee.
3. Unpaid Judgments Bill; second reading.
4. Old Botany, Bandwic, and Googoo Roads Bill; second reading.
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Martin, That the Gold
   and Silver Currency Bill be now read a second time.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered
   in Committee.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Macleay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying
   that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid
   out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the
   Navigation of the River Murray.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Court held at Singleton on last Good Friday, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 15th instant. Ordered to be printed.
(2.) A Paper by the Immigration Agent, in reference to the direct remittance system of Immigration, of date the 15th instant. Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.

2. Windsor Road Trust Bill:—Mr. G. Bowman having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for the making and upholding of the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein mentioned;' and to divide the Windsor Road Trust into two separate 'Trusts for Windsor and Richmond respectively,' read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

3. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Leslie, on behalf of Mr. Marsh, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Marsh seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
(2.) Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Martin, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Martin first on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.
(3.) Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Nichols second, third, and fourth on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.
(4.) Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Campbell, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Campbell, fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
(5.) Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Martin, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Martin sixth on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

4. Cook's River Bridge:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, that the 50th and 51st Standing Orders of this House be suspended, in order to present a Petition praying leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Question put and passed;

Whereupon Mr. Holroyd presented a Petition from Thomas John Fisher and Piddocks Arthur Tompson, praying leave to introduce the said Bill.

Petition received.

Mr. Holroyd then produced the Government Gazette and the Sydney Morning Herald Newspaper, containing notice, for four consecutive weeks in the months of February and March last, of the intention to apply for such Bill.

5. Burwood Tram Road Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Burwood Tram Road Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Barker, Colonel Barney, Mr. Bligh, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dunareng, Mr. Morris, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart.

Question.—(1.) That the Burwood Tram Road Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question.—(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Barker, Colonel Barney, Mr. Bligh, Mr. G. Bowman, Captain Dunareng, Mr. Morris, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart—put and passed.

6. Branch of the Royal Mint:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

Debate ensued.

Question put.
Council divided.

Ayea 8.*
Mr. Cox,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Darvell,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Morris, \[Tellers.\]

Neea 21.*
The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Nicholls,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Cowper,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. II. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. Bligh,
The Auditor General,
Mr. Parker,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Zimke,
Mr. Parkes.
The Inspector General of Police, \[Tellers.\]

* So in Tellers' Lists.

7. *Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill:*—Mr. Darvell, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 1st instant.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Postponement:—Mr. Nichols further postponed the motion standing in his name seconded on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

9. *Stipend to Jewish Minister:*—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency be pleased to send down to this House a Bill to authorize the payment of a Stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue of the annual sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

Council divided.

Ayea, 20.
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Hamilton,
Mr. Park,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
The Solicitor General,
Mr. Darvell,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Blight,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Figg,
The Postmaster General,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. Morris, \[Tellers.\]

Neea, 10.
The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Martin,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Cox,
The Auditor General,
Captain King,
Mr. Parker,
The Inspector General of Police, \[Tellers.\]

10. *Augmentation to Salary of Governor General:*—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CHS. A. FITZ ROY

Governor General.

The Governor General has received with a grateful sense of the liberality of the Legislative Council the Address of the House agreed to on the 1st instant, and he feels that the great and unavoidable increase in the expenses of his Household will justify his acceptance of the proposed augmentation of his salary, if it be ultimately granted.

2. But before sending down a Bill for the proposed appropriation as requested by the Council, His Excellency considered it necessary to consult the Crown Law Officers, who have advised him to postpone taking this step until he shall have received the express sanction of Her Majesty: A copy of the opinion of these Officers is appended.

3. His Excellency entirely concurs in this opinion; and as the Bill is to affect and benefit himself personally and exclusively, he conceives it to be most fitting that he should adhere to the strict letter of the Royal Instructions and take no part which might bear even the semblance of the initiation of the Vote by himself.

4. The Governor General therefore proposes to transmit a copy of the Address to His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to submit himself to Her Majesty's pleasure on the subject: He trusts that the Council will agree with him in considering this to be the right course.

Government House,
Sydney, 22 August 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Document.
11. Assent to Bill.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Law of Evidence Bill.

12. Mr. Wm. Brooks;—Mr. Nichols, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee to whose consideration and report the claims of Mr. Wm. Brooks, Captain Wm. Dumassey, and Wm. Titt, Esquire, were referred on the 7th June last, in reference exclusively to the claim preferred by the former. Ordered to be printed.

13. Morpeth Shipping and Exports.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number and tonnage of vessels arriving at Morpeth, from the 1st April, 1853, to the 30th June, 1854; of the number and tonnage of vessels which, within the same period, have left Morpeth for Melbourne and other ports beyond the Colony; and of the value (as near as may be) of the produce exported from that port within the same period. Question put and passed.

14. Call of the House.—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That a Call of the House be ordered for Tuesday the 20th of September next. Question put and passed.

15. Postponement.—The second reading of the Coal Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until this day week.

16. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill.—On motion of Mr. Holroyd the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill, with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time this day three weeks.

17. Postponements:
   (1.) The second reading of the Unpaid Justices Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Darwall, until this day four weeks.
   (2.) The second reading of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, until Friday next.

18. Gold and Silver Currency Bill.—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Martin, That this Bill be now read a second time, resumed. Mr. Parkes moved the Previous Question. Debate continued.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the House was counted, and there not being eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker adjourned the Council at a quarter before eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Message No. 30; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. THE SOLICITOR GENERAL to move for leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Jury Act.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. A. Ordman to move,
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the Bonded Store system, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. —Mr. Cowper, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Smart, Mr. Allen, Mr. Parker, and the Solicitor General.
2. Mr. Darwall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this Council copies of the Correspondence between the Government and the Gold Escort Company, relative to the formation, dissolution, and reimbursement of that Association.
3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,
   (1.) A Return of the General Revenue derived from the District of Moreton Bay, being that portion of the Territory of New South Wales lying to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1851, to the 1st January, 1854, distinguishing the amount for each year.
   (2.) A Return of the Expenditure incurred for the government of the Moreton Bay District, for the same period, distinguishing the amount for each year.
NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

1. Mr. Mackay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Oudell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

2. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the Investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the navigation of the Steamer "Shamrock," on her last return from Moreton Bay.

4. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made by the New South Wales Steam Board, of each and every Sea going Steam Vessel, in and belonging to the Port of Sydney, with the view of ascertaining whether the same are in order and condition according to the Act of Council, 16 Vic., No. 40; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of the same to be laid upon the Table of this House.

5. Mr. Marsh to move, That the Petition praying Legislative interference to check the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 16th instant, be printed.

6. Mr. Campbell to move:

(1) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 16th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

7. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windeyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers’ and Attorneys’ Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 23 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Volunteer Corps:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In reference to the Address of the Legislative Council dated the 11th instant, the Governor General desires to assure the Council that immediately upon the passing of the Act to authorise the formation of Volunteer Corps in this Colony, the necessary steps were taken for bringing the same into operation.

2. His Excellency avails himself of this opportunity to submit for the consideration of the Council, an Estimate of the sums, so far as they now can be computed, which will be required for this service during the remainder of the present year, and for the year 1855.

Government House,
Sydney, 23 August, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimate, and taken into consideration with the Estimates for the year 1854-5.

3. Paper.—The Colonial Treasurer laid upon the Table a Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated the 3rd June, 1854, in reference to the Defence of Port Jackson.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Leave of absence for three weeks granted to Mr. Holroyd, on motion of Mr. Morris.

5. Petition.—Mr. Bligh presented a Petition from John Moore, representing that certain claims he has upon the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company might be damaged by the passing of this Bill, unless he be heard in person, or by Counsel, in reference thereto, before the Select Committee to whose consideration and report the Bill has been referred, and praying to be so heard accordingly.

Petition received.

Mr. Bligh then produced a Certificate, that the sum of fifteen pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 50th section of the Standing Orders.

6. Petition.—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from Marcus Freeman Brownrigg, Attorney and Agent of and for the Australian Agricultural Company, representing certain informalities in the presentation of the Petition praying leave to introduce this Bill, and praying that the Bill may not be further proceeded with, or that the Company be heard by Counsel, at the Bar, or before the Select Committee to whom it has been referred, against its further progress.

Petition received.

Mr. Martin then moved, as a Question of Order and without notice, That all the circumstances connected with the presentation, on the 10th instant, of the Petition of James Mitchell of the City of Sydney, Surgeon, and Henry Gilbert Smith, Chairman of the Newcastle Coal and Copper Company, praying leave to introduce "A Bill further to amend an Act, intituled 'An Act to authorize the continuation of "A Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle'" and with the introduction of such Bill on the 10th instant, be referred to the Standing Orders Committee, for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. Leave of absence for one month granted to Mr. Murray, on motion of the Collector of Customs.

8. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—The Auditor General moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed:
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Marten to move, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, the Debate on which was interrupted by the House being counted out on the 23rd instant, be now restored to the Paper.

2. Mr. Bligh to move, That the Petition of Mr. John Morley, presented by him yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill has been referred.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. A. Osborne to move,
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the Bonded Store system, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Cowper, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Smart, Mr. Allen, Mr. Parker, and the Solicitor General.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this Council copies of the Correspondence between the Government and the Gold Escort Company, relative to the formation, dissolution, and reimbursement of that Association.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1) A Return of the General Revenue derived from the District of Moreton Bay, being that portion of the Territory of New South Wales lying to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1851, to the 1st January, 1854, distinguishing the amount for each year.
   (2) A Return of the Expenditure incurred for the government of the Moreton Bay District, for the same period, distinguishing the amount for each year.
   (3) A Return of the Revenue derived from the Sale and Lease of Crown Lands in the Moreton Bay District, for the same period.
   (4) A Return of the Expenditure for Immigration to Moreton Bay, for the same period.

4. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Fourth Nepan Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Macleay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

2. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the condition of the Steamer "Shamrock" on her last return from Moreton Bay.
4. Mr. LESLIE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made by the New South Wales Steam Board, of each and every Sea going Steam Vessel, in and belonging to the Port of Sydney, with the view of ascertaining whether the same are in order and condition according to the Act of Council, 10 Vic., No. 48; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of the same to be laid upon the Table of this House.

5. Mr. MARSH to move, That the Petition praying Legislative interference to check the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 16th instant, be printed.

6. Mr. CAMPBELL to move —
(1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committees consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. High.

7. Mr. NICHOLS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £2500, as a gratuity to Charles Windesyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

8. Mr. COWPER to move, That the Reports for the year 1853, from the Denominational School Board and the Commissioners of National Education in New South Wales, be referred to the Select Committees on Education.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Jury Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 24 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   The Currency and the Mint:—Mr. Darvall presented a Petition from certain Merchants
   and Bankers of Sydney, praying that the Council will not, as present, entertain any
   measure affecting the Currency; and that the consideration of the Estimate for the
   Branch of the Royal Mint be postponed, until the whole subject shall have been
   referred to and reported upon by a Select Committee of the Council.
   Petition received.

2. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—Mr. Martin, with consent, moved, pursuant to notice,
   That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Gold and Silver Currency
   Bill, the Debate on which was interrupted by the House being counted out on the
   22nd instant, be now restored to the Paper.
   Question put and passed.
   Previous Question then put—"Shall this Question be now put?"
   Council divided.

   Ayres, 17.
   The Colonial Secretary,
   The Colonial Treasurer,
   The Auditor General,
   The Inspector General of Police,
   Mr. J. Macarthur,
   Captain King.
   Mr. Cox.
   Mr. Allen.
   Mr. Deby.
   Mr. Smart.
   Mr. Berry.
   Mr. H. Osborne,
   Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
   Mr. Parker.
   Mr. A. Osborne.
   Mr. March.
   Mr. Martin.

   Noos, 11.
   Mr. G. Bowman.
   Mr. Oakes.
   Mr. Flood.
   Mr. Bligh.
   Mr. Park.
   Mr. Macleay.
   Mr. Fitzgerald.
   Mr. Darvall.
   Mr. Parker.
   Mr. Corver,
   Mr. Cowper, } Tellers.

   Whereupon Original Question.—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and
   passed;—
   Bill then read a second time; and ordered to be considered in Committee on Tuesday
   next.

3. Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Return of the number of
   Licences collected in the Western District during the Years 1853 and 1854, as compared
   with the number collected during the first eight months of 1854.
   Ordered to be printed.

4. Railways Connecting the Australian Capitals:—The following Message from His
   Excellency the Governor General received and read:—
   CH% A. FITZ ROY,
   Governor General.

   The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council Copies of a
   Correspondence which has passed between this Government and South Australia,
   with respect to a proposal submitted by Lieutenant Governor Sir Henry Young for
   the consideration of His Grace the Secretary of State, for connecting the Capitals of
   Australia by means of a Railroad.

   2. Before giving any definite reply to a proposal of such magnitude, the
   Governor General is desirous of being favored with the views of the Legislative
   Council on the subject.

   Government House,
   Sydney, 24 August, 1854.

   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Correspondence, and referred
   to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways.

5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker
   left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the
   further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure
   for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.

   The Chairman reported Progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next.
6. Carnagam Copper Mining Company's Bill.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 11th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

7. Postponement.—Mr. Park, on behalf of Mr. Blight, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Blight, second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

8. Leave of absence for three weeks granted to Mr. William Macarthur, on motion of Mr. Macleay.

Council adjourned at ten minutes after Nine o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25.

1. Mr. A. Osborne to move,

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the Bonded Stores system, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Cowper, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Blight, Mr. Smart, Mr. Allen, Mr. Parker, and the Solicitor General.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this Council copies of the Correspondence between the Government and the Gold Escort Company, relative to the formation, dissolution, and reinforcement of that Association.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—

(1.) A Return of the General Revenue derived from the District of Moreton Bay, being that portion of the Territory of New South Wales lying to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1851, to the 1st July, 1854, distinguishing the amount for each year.

(2.) A Return of the Expenditure incurred for the government of the Moreton Bay District, for the same period, distinguishing the amount for each year.

(3.) A Return of the Revenue derived from the Sale and Lease of Crown Lands in the Moreton Bay District, for the same period.

(4.) A Return of the Expenditure for Immigration to Moreton Bay, for the same period.

4. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

5. Mr. Blight to move, That the Petition of Mr. John Moring, presented by him yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Ritas Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill has been referred.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Old Botany, Bandwick, and Coogee Roads Bill, second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Macleay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Gadele, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

2. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the condition of the Steamer "Shaoshan," on her last return from Moreton Bay.

4. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made by the New South Wales Steam Board, of each and every Sea going Steam Vessel, in and belonging to the Ports of Sydney, with the view of ascertaining whether the same are in order and condition according to the Act of Council, 10. Vict., No. 40; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of the same to be laid upon the Table of this House.

5. Mr. Marsh to move, That the Petition praying Legislative interference to check the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 16th instant, be printed.
6. **Mr. Campbell to move:**
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

7. **Mr. Nichols to move,** That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windeyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

8. **Mr. Cowper to move,** That the Reports for the year 1853, from the Deserminational School Board and the Commissioners of National Education in New South Wales, be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; second reading.
3. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

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**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30.**

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:**
1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31.**

**OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:**
1. Jury Bill; second reading.

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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.**

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:**

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.**

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**
1. **Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.**

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.**

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**
1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.**

**MENO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.**

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

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CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 25 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Burwood Tram Road Bill:—Question of Order.—Mr. Martin, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up the Report of the Standing Orders Committee upon the Question of Order, in relation to this Bill, referred to them on the 23rd instant, which was read by the Clerk, by order of the Speaker, as follows:—

REPORT FROM THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE, UPON A QUESTION OF ORDER REFERRED TO THEM, IN RELATION TO THE INTRODUCTION OF THE BURWOOD TRAM ROAD BILL.

The Standing Orders Committee, who were instructed by your Honorable House, on the 23rd instant, to inquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the presentation, on the 10th instant, of the Petition of James Mitchell, of the City of Sydney, Surgeon, and Henry Gilbert Smith, Chairman of the Newcastle Coal and Copper Company, praying leave to introduce "A Bill further to amend an Act, entitled, 'An Act to authorize the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle,'" and with the introduction of such Bill, on the 10th instant,—have agreed to the following Report:—

Your Committee, having duly considered all the circumstances connected with the presentation of the Petition and the introduction of the Bill referred to, as they stand on record, are of opinion that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, inasmuch as there has been no sufficient notice given of the intention to apply for the Bill actually introduced; and they accordingly recommend that all Votes and Proceedings had upon the presentation of the said Petition and upon the introduction of the said Bill, be rescinded.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th August, 1854.

Mr. Martin then moved,—

(1.) That the Report of the Standing Orders Committee be now adopted.
(2.) That all Votes and Proceedings of this Council upon the presentation, on the 10th instant, of the Petition of James Mitchell, of the City of Sydney, Surgeon, and Henry Gilbert Smith, Chairman of the Newcastle Coal and Copper Company, praying leave to introduce "A Bill further to amend an Act, entitled, 'An Act to authorize the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle,'" and upon the introduction and subsequent progress of the said Bill, be now rescinded.

Question.—(1.) That the Report of the Standing Orders Committee be now adopted—put and passed.

Whereupon, Question—(2.) That all Votes and Proceedings of this Council upon the presentation, on the 10th instant, of the Petition of James Mitchell, of the City of Sydney, Surgeon, and Henry Gilbert Smith, Chairman of the Newcastle Coal and Copper Company, praying leave to introduce "A Bill further to amend an Act, entitled, 'An Act to authorize the continuation of a Tram Road from Burwood to the Wharf at Newcastle,'" and upon the introduction and subsequent progress of the said Bill, be now rescinded—put and passed.

2. Postponement.—Mr. A. Osborne postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper, until the other Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

3. Sydney Gold Escort Company.—Mr. Durwall moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this Council copies of the Correspondence between the Government and the Gold Escort Company, relative to the formation, dissolution, and reimbursement of that Association.

Seconded.

Question put and passed.

4. Revenue and Expenditure, Moreton Bay.—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,

(1.) A Return of the General Revenue derived from the District of Moreton Bay, being that portion of the Territory of New South Wales lying to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1851, to the 1st July, 1854, distinguishing the amount for each year.
(2.) A Return of the Expenditure incurred for the government of the Moreton Bay District, for the same period, distinguishing the amount for each year.
(3.) A Return of the Revenue derived from the Sale and Lease of Crown Lands in the Moreton Bay District, for the same period.
(4.) A Return of the Expenditure for Immigration to Moreton Bay, for the same period.

Question put and passed.

5. Navigation of the River Hunter:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of the Hunter River District and others interested in its prosperity, praying that measures may be taken for improving the Navigation of the River Hunter. Petition received.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Darwell postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day three weeks.

7. Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill:—Mr. Bligh moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Petition of Mr. John Morin, presented by him on the 23rd instant, be referred to the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill has been referred. Question put and passed,—the Certificate required by the 56th section of the Standing Orders having been produced on presentation of the Petition.

8. Bonded Store System:—Mr. A. Osborne moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the Bonded Store system, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.——The Attorney General, The Collector of Customs, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, and Mr. Campbell.

   Question (1).—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the Bonded Store system, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith,—put and passed.

   Question (2).—That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.——The Attorney General, The Collector of Customs, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Allen, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, and Mr. Campbell—put and passed.

9. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Bonda Hill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof. The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at twenty minutes before five o’Clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’Clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Mackay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

2. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the condition of the Steamer “Shanrock,” on her last return from Moreton Bay.

4. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made by the New South Wales Steam Board, of each and every Sea going Steam Vessel, in and belonging to the Port of Sydney, with the view of ascertaining whether the same are in order and condition according to the Act of Council, 16 Viz. No. 46; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of the same to be laid upon the Table of this House.

5. Mr. Mars is to move, That the Petition praying Legislative interference to check the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 10th instant, be printed.

6. Mr. Campbell to move:—
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.——The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.
7. Mr. Nicholson to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Windrey, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support.

8. Mr. Copper to move, That the Reports for the year 1856, from the Denominational School Board and the Commissioners of National Education in New South Wales, be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

9. Mr. Parkes to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the expense of bringing into operation the proposed line, and the advantages to be derived by the country from such an institution; and whether it is expedient to proceed with that undertaking.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Copper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darvall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. McLay.

10. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the Petition praying the improvement of the Navigation of the River Hunter, presented by him on the 25th instant, be referred to the Select Committee on the Navigation of the River Hunter.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; second reading.
3. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Jury Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the Colony of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 29 AUGUST, 1864.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

New Member Sworn:—The Reverend John Dunmore Lang, having taken the Oath, and handed to the Clerk at the Table the following Declaration of Qualification, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of the County of Stanly, in room of John Richardson, Esquire, resigned:—

"I, John Dunmore Lang, Doctor of Divinity, do declare and testify, that I am duly seised at Law or in Equity of an Estate in fee simple for my own use and benefit, in lands or tenements in the Colony of New South Wales, of the value of Two thousand pounds sterling, above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, situate in Jamison-street, Sydney, and consisting of the houses numbered one and two, "College Buildings," in that street; and that I have not conclusively or colourably obtained a title to, or become possessed of, the said lands and tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales."

JOHN DUNMORE LANG, D.D.

Sydney, August, 1864.

2. Minni and Hexham Railway Bill:—Question of Order;—Mr. Cowper, noticing the circumstance of the introduction of this Bill upon a Petition not signed by one or more of the partizans applying for it, as required by the 40th section of the Standing Orders of Parliament, that all Votes and Proceedings of this Council, in reference to and upon the presentation of the Petition of Gilbert Wright, of Sydney, Gent., one of the Attorneys of the Honourable the Supreme Court, praying leave to introduce "A Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Minni to Hexham," and in reference to and upon the introduction and subsequent progress of the said Bill, be now rescinded. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

3. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1) Despatch from the Secretary of State, (Military, No. 11) of date the 30th May, 1864, respecting the visit of a Russian Squadron to Manila.

(2) Correspondence with the Government of Van Diemen's Land in reference to the admission of Barristers of the one Colony to practice in the Courts of the other.

(3) The Return to the Address in reference to Wm. McTaggart Dunsevy, Esquire, J.P., adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 12th ultimo.

(4) The Return to the Address in reference to Coroners' Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries, adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 26th June last. Ordered to be printed.

4. Independent Naval Command in the Australian Seas:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of New South Wales, representing all classes and interests in Australia, praying the adoption of such measures as to the Council shall seem best calculated to procure the immediate appointment of an Admiral's Command to the Waters of Australia, with Head Quarters at Port Jackson.

Petition received.

5. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, and others, stating their trust that no measure whatever affecting the present Colonial Currency will be entertained until the question of a Local Gold Coinage shall have been duly considered and reported upon by a Select Committee of the Council, and praying that the premises may be taken into early and attentive consideration.

Petition received.

6. Intemperance:—

(1) Mr. Flood presented a Petition from the Minister, Elders, Deacons, and certain Members of the Scots Church, Pitt-street, South, Sydney, representing the evils of Intemperance under the present Licensing system, and praying that the subject may receive the degree of attention to which it is entitled.

Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.

(2) Mr. Oxen presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Town and District of Parramatta, on the same subject, and praying such a measure to the existing Licensing system as shall abolish Drinking on the Premises, except in certain cases.

Petition received.

7. Postponement:—Mr. Maclean postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
8. Disasters on Board the Steamer City of Melbourne:—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on board the "City of Melbourne" Steamer. Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn, and notice of a similar Motion given by Mr. Leslie for this day next.

9. Condition of the Steamer "Shamrock":—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the condition of the Steamer "Shamrock," on her last return from Moreton Bay. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

10. Proposed Surveys on Sea-going Steam Vessels:—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey to be made by the New South Wales Steam Board, of each and every Sea-going Steam Vessel, in and belonging to the Port of Sydney, with the view of ascertaining whether the same are in order and condition according to the Act of Council, 16 Vic., No. 46; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of the same to be laid upon the Table of this House. Debate ensued.

Question put. Council divided.

Ayes, 13; Noes, 10.

Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Doherty, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Cox, Mr. Flood, Mr. Rowell, Mr. Egan, Mr. Holdich, Captain Keag, Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Morris; Tellers.

Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Bligh, Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Chater, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Barker, The Auditor General, Mr. G. Bowman, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Parker, Mr. Allen, The Postmaster General, Mr. Suttor, Mr. Park, The Collector of Customs, Tellers.

11. Intemperance:—Mr. Marsh moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition praying for Legislative interference to check the alarming and rapid increase of Intemperance, presented by him on the 16th instant, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

12. Postponement:—Mr. Campbell postponed the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

13. Gratitude to Charles Wisdeyer, Esq.:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the present year, the sum of £500, as a gratuity to Charles Wisdeyer, Esquire, late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his pension, the same having been found insufficient for his support. Debate ensued.

Question put. Council divided.

Ayes, 28; Noes, 6.

Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Suttor, Mr. Allen, Mr. Barker, Mr. Park, Mr. Thorburn, Mr. Smith, Mr. Cox, Mr. Leslie.

Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Egan, Captain King, Mr. Holpen, Mr. Nichols, Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Park, Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Barker, Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Chater, Mr. Nichols, Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Suttor, Mr. Park, The Collector of Customs; Tellers.

*So in Tellers' Lists.
14. Education.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Reports for the Year 1853, from the Denominational School Board and the Commissioners of National Education in New South Wales, be referred to the Select Committee on Education. Question put and passed.

15. Postponement.—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name ninth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

16. Navigation of the River Hunter.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition praying the improvement of the Navigation of the River Hunter, presented by him on the 30th instant, be referred to the Select Committee on the Navigation of the River Hunter. Question put and passed.

17. Windsor Road Trust Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. G. Bowman, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

18. Coal Bill.—Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Martin moved the Previous Question.

Previous Question put.—"Shall this Question be now put?"

Council divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Sutor. Mr. Burtin.
Mr. Cowper. Mr. Nichols.
Captains King. The Colonial Secretary.
Mr. Campbell. The Colonial Treasurer.
Mr. Thurlow. Mr. Macleay.
Mr. Doble. Mr. G. Bowman.
The Rev. Dr. Lang. Mr. Marsh.
Mr. Caskie. Mr. J. Macarthur.
Mr. Flood. Mr. Buck.
Mr. Parker. Mr. W. Bowman.
"Mr. Allen. Dr. Douglas.
Mr. Blyth. Mr. Smith.
Mr. Parkes. Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands.
Mr. Park. Mr. Martin.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Russell.
Mr. Nichols.
The Colonial Secretary.
The Colonial Treasurer.
Mr. Macleay.
Mr. G. Bowman.
Mr. Marsh.
Mr. J. Macarthur.
Mr. Buck.
Mr. W. Bowman.
Dr. Douglas.
Mr. Smith.
Mr. Martin.
Mr. Morris.

19. Postponement.—The consideration in Committee of the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, postponed, on motion of Mr. Martin, until Thursday next, with the understanding that it have precedence of Government Business on that day.

20. Old Botany, Bandridge, and Geogee Roads Bill Reported.—Mr. Nichols moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole be now adopted.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clause X." Question—That the words, proposed to be omitted stand, part of the Question—put and negatived.

Question.—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and passed.

Question.—That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clause X—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill, with a further amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

Council adjourned at ten minutes after Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Dr. Douglas to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying leave to introduce a Bill to authorise the continuation of Railway from Nimmito to Narrabana.

2. Mr. Oakes to move, That the Petition in reference to Intemperance, presented by him yesterday, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.
3. Mr. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to institute an official investigation into the whole circumstances of the arrest and imprisonment of Mr. John Walker, by two Constables of the Sydney Police Force, on Friday, August 25th; and also into the conduct of Inspector Singleton on that occasion; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of such investigation to be laid upon the Table of this House.

THURSDAY, August 31.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Jury Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—
1. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition in reference to the Appointment of an Independent Naval Command to the Australian Seas, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed.
2. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition in reference to the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed.
3. Mr. COOPER to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."
4. Mr. COOPER to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."
5. Mr. CAMPBELL to move,—
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th Instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cooper, and Mr. Bigli.
6. Mr. PARKES to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the expense of bringing into operation the proposed Mint, and the advantages to be derived by the country from such an institution; and whether it is expedient to proceed with that undertaking.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bigli, Mr. Darvall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. McLeay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Old Botany, Bondiwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—
1. Mr. MARTIN to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, setting forth,—
   (1.) The names of the present Trustees of the Saving's Bank of New South Wales.
   (2.) A detailed account of all moneys lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1853, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, but omitting the names of the borrowers.
   (3.) The names of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment.
   (4.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his scale of charges, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.
   (5.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the same is in all, or in what cases, a printed document.
   (6.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank.
   (7.) The names of the Managing Trustees, Accountants, Clerks, and other Officers of the Bank, and the annual Salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residence.
2. Mr. MACLEAY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.
3. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on Board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Parramatta Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,  
Speaker.
No. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 30 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

2. City Sewerage and Water Supply.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CRAIG.

Governor General.

1. In pursuance of the provisions of the Acts of Council 17 Victoria No. 34 and 17 Victoria No. 35, intituled respectively, "An Act for the better Sewerage and Cleansing of the City of Sydney, and portions of the Suburbs thereof," and "An Act for supplying the City of Sydney and portions of the Suburbs thereof with Water," the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, Estimates of the probable Expenditure for these two Services for the years 1854 and 1855. These Estimates have been framed by the City Commissioners, who are also Commissioners for carrying into effect the whole purposes of the Acts above referred to.

2. The Estimated Expenditure for Sewerage in the present year is stated at £38,075, and in 1855 at £36,750, shewing a total of £129,825 in the two years.
The 17th section of the Sewerage Act provides for the imposition of rates so soon as the sewer, or any part thereof, shall have been completed so as to be ready for use. The Commissioners do not anticipate that they will be in a position to collect a Sewerage rate until after the end of next year; should the Council therefore approve of the expenditure now proposed, it will be necessary to advance to the Commissioners, in the manner prescribed in the 2nd clause of the Sewerage Act, the entire amount estimated for each year.

3. The estimated expenditure under the Sydney Water Act in the present year, is stated at £43,576, and in 1855, at £43,011, shewing a total of £86,587 in the two years.
It is expected that in the present year, a water revenue will be raised of £4,400, and in 1855, of £5,000. Should the Council approve of the expenditure as proposed by the Commissioners, these latter amounts will go in reduction of the sums to be advanced to the Commissioners in each year, thus, in the present year advance would be made in the manner prescribed by the 1st clause of the Water Act to the extent of £36,176, and in 1855 of £38,011, at the least.

4. Acting upon the advice of the Crown Law Officers, which was to the effect that delay would frustrate the intentions of the Legislature, and to enable the Commissioners to proceed at once with the public works entrusted to their management under the two Acts above recited, the Governor General, with the advice of His Executive Council, authorised in the early part of the year two separate advances to the Commissioners of £2,500 each, in anticipation of the Votes of the Council.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and takes into consideration this day week.

3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report upon the proper Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales.
   (2.) That the Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Capt. King, The Postmaster General, Mr. Holden, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jas. Macarthur, and Mr. Finch.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Jury Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition in reference to the Appointment of an Independent Naval Command to the Australian Seas, presented by him on the 20th ultimo, be printed.

2. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition in reference to the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, presented by him on the 20th ultimo, be printed.

3. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act, intitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act intitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."

5. Mr. Campbell to move:
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

6. Mr. Parkes to move:
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the expence of bringing into operation the proposed Mint, and the advantages to be derived by the country from such an institution; and whether it is expedient to proceed with that undertaking.
   (2.) That such Committees consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darwall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. Mcleay.
7. Mr. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to institute an official investigation into the whole circumstances of the arrest and imprisonment of Mr. John Walker, by two of the constables of the Sydney Police Force, on Friday, August 25th; and also into the conduct of Inspector Singleton on that occasion; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of such investigation to be laid upon the Table of this House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. MARTIN to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, setting forth,—
   (1.) The names of the present Trustees of the Savings’ Bank of New South Wales.
   (2.) A detailed account of all money lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1853, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, but omitting the names of the borrowers.
   (3.) The name of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment.
   (4.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his salaries, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.
   (5.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the same is in all, or in what cases, a printed document.
   (6.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank.
   (7.) The names of the Managing Trustee, Accountant, Clerk, and other Officers of the Bank, and the annual Salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residence.
2. Mr. MACLEAY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.
3. Mr. L. SIOUXIE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on Board the City of Melbourne Steamer.
4. Mr. MACLEAY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may appear necessary for the establishment of Courts of Assize at the Towns of Gunning and Albury.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. HOLROYD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
2. Dr. LANG to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropics of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cockland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. DARVALL to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

TUESDAY,
ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 22.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 31 AUGUST, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) A Memorial to His Excellency the Governor General from the Chamber of Commerce, with Resolutions and Report of the Chamber, on the Direct Remission System of Immigration.
Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.
(2.) A Letter from the Chairman of the Denominational School Board, of date the 21st June last, in reference to the Report of the Board for the year 1853, already laid upon the Table.
Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Education.

2. Colonial Allowances to Army and Navy.—The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice,
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report upon the proper Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales:
(2.) That the Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Capt. King, the Postmaster General, Mr. Holden, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Parkes, Mr. J. Macarthur, and Mr. Finch.
Question.—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report upon the proper Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales.—put and passed.
Question.—(2.) That the Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, Capt. King, the Postmaster General, Mr. Holden, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Parkes, Mr. J. Macarthur, and Mr. Finch.—put and passed.

3. Assisted Immigration Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

Ch. A. FITZROY.
Governor General:
In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 6 and 8 Vict. cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill intituled the Assisted Immigration Act:"
Governement House,
Sydney, 31 August 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

4. Minmi and Hawkes Railway Bill.—Dr. Douglas, under suspension of the 56th and 51st Standing Orders yesterday, presented a Petition from John Esates, of the Hunter River, in the County of Northumberland, Esquire; and John Christian, of Berry Park, in the same County, Esquire, praying leave to introduce a Bill authorising the continuation and completion of a Railway from Minmi to Hawkes, Petition received.

Dr. Douglas then moved, as a Question of Order, and without notice, that all Papers in connexion with previous Votes and Proceedings of this Council in reference to the Minmi and Hawkes Railway Bill, be now discharged from the custody of the Clerk. Question put and passed.

5. Intemperance:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Landed Proprietors, Householders, and Residents in the District of Kiama, representing the evils of Intemperance; attributing them to the present Licensing system; and appealing to the Council as to the wisdom of perpetuating that system.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on Intemperance.

6. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—Mr. Martin moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
Mr. Martin then moved, That the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole be postponed until Wednesday, the 27th day of September next, with the understanding that it have precedence of Government Business on that day.
Question put and passed.

7.
NOTICES OF MOTION and ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.

1. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition in reference to the Appointment of an Independent Naval Command to the Australian Seas, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed.

2. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition in reference to the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed.

3. Mr. COWPER to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act, intitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."

4. Mr. COWPER to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act intitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."

5. Mr. CAMPBELL to move:—
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th instant, with all the papers relating thereto, and lying on the Table of this House, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowne, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

6. Mr. PARKES to move:—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the expense of bringing into operation the proposed Mint, and the advantages to be derived by the country from such an institution; and whether it is expedient to proceed with that undertaking.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darrell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. McCleary.

7. Mr. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to institute an official investigation into the whole circumstances of the arrest and imprisonments of Mr. John Walker, by two Constables of the Sydney Police Force, on Friday, August 25th; and also into the conduct of Inspector Singleton on that occasion; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of such investigation to be laid upon the Table of this House.

8. Mr. DOUGLAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the continuation and completion of a Railway from Miami to Beulah.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. MARTIN to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, setting forth,—
   (1.) The names of the present Trustees of the Savings' Bank of New South Wales.
   (2.) A detailed account of all monies lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1853, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, and omitting the names of the borrowers.
   (3.) The name of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment.
   (4.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his scale of charges, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.
   (5.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the name is in all, or in what case, a printed document.
   (6.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank.
   (7.) The names of the Managing Trustee, Accountant, Clerks, and other Officers of the Bank,
Bank, and the annual Salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residence.

2. Mr. Maclean to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £3,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exercises in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

3. Mr. Larkin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on Board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

4. Mr. Maclean to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may appear necessary for the establishment of Courts of Assize at the Towns of Gundagai and Albury.

5. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.**

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:**


3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 36, with Assisted Immigration Bill.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 32; to be further considered in Committee.

**OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:**

1. Jury Bill; second reading.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.**

**NOTICES OF MOTION:**

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

2. Dr. Lang to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independant Colony, under the designation of Cooksland, in honor of its Illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.**

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**

1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.**

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.**

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House To-day.

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—

   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.

   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.

   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.

   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of Issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.**

**OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:**

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Independent Naval Command in the Australian Seas.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition in reference to the Appointment of an Independent Naval Command to the Australian Seas, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

2. Gold and Silver Currency Bill.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition in reference to the Gold and Silver Currency Bill, presented by him on the 29th ultimo, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

3. Postponements:—
   (1.) Mr. Cowper postponed the Motions standing in his name third and fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
   (2.) Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Campbell, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Campbell fifth on the Notice Paper, until the other Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

4. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Parkes withdrew the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, giving an amended notice of motion for Tuesday next.

5. Arrest of Mr. John Walker.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to institute an official investigation into the whole circumstances of the arrest and imprisonment of Mr. John Walker, by two Constables of the Sydney Police Force, on Friday, August 25th; and also into the conduct of Inspector Singleton on that occasion; and that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Report of such investigation to be laid upon the Table of this House. Debate ensued. Question put. Council divided.

6. Minmi and Hexham Railway Bill.—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Minmi to Hexham. Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

7. Yass River Bridge.—Mr. Campbell moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
   (1.) That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th ultimo, and the Return to the Address in reference to the Yass River Bridge, adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 1st July, 1852, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Attorney General, the Auditor General, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, and Mr. Bligh.

   Question (1)—That the Petition of John Gunning, ordered to be printed on the 15th ultimo, and the Return to the Address in reference to the Yass River Bridge, adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 1st July, 1852, be referred to the consideration of a Select Committee—put and passed.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION.—

1. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, setting forth,—

(1.) The names of the present Trustees of the Savings' Bank of New South Wales.

(2.) A detailed account of all moneys lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1858, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, but omitting the names of the borrowers.

(3.) The name of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment.

(4.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his scale of charges, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.

(5.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the same is in all, or in what cases, a printed document.

(6.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank.

(7.) The names of the Managing Trustee, Accountant, Clerks, and other Officers of the Bank, and the annual Salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residuum.

2. Mr. MacLeay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding £2,000 to be paid out of the Land Revenue to Captain Cadell, in aid of his exertions in opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.

3. Mr. Lælin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on Board the City of Melbourne Steamer.

4. Mr. MacLeay to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may appear necessary for the establishment of Courts of Assize at the Towns of Gundagai and Albury.

5. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

6. Mr. Larg to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the correspondence that has taken place with the Government and the Survey Department on the subject of the Township of Drayton.

7. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."
8. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill further to amend the Act intitled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain "Banking Company called 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,'" and for "other purposes therein mentioned."

9. Mr. Parker to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. —The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darvall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. McLarney.

10. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to introduce a Bill to declare the Law with reference to the Collection of Toluc or Ferry Duces on Parish Roads.

11. Dr. Doullar to move,
(1.) That the Miami and Hexham Railway Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. G. Bowman, Mr. Cowper, Captain Dunmore, Mr. Egan, Mr. Flood, Captain King, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Park.

Wednesday, September 6.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 86, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 80 and 83; to be further considered in Committee.

Other Business—Orders of the Day:
1. Jury Bill; second reading.

Friday, September 8.

Notice of Motion:
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for managing and upholding the Public Reservoir for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Campbell Town, and for other purposes relating thereto.

Order of the Day:
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

Tuesday, September 12.

Notice of Motion:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
2. Mr. Lang to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cooksland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

Order of the Day:
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

Friday, September 15.

Notice of Motion:
1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Parramatta Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

Tuesday, September 19.

Order of the Day:
1. Unpaid Justice Bill; second reading.
MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 82.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
TUESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Paper.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 45, of date the 30th April, 1854, in reference to the Acts passed in the Session of 1852 respectively to amend the Act Incorporating the Proprietors of the Bank of New South Wales and the Act Incorporating the Proprietors of the Commercial Bank.
   Ordered to be printed.

2. Colonial Allowances to Army and Navy.—The Colonial Secretary brought up the Report from the Select Committee appointed on the 31st ultimo, to inquire and report upon the proper Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales.
   Ordered to be printed.

3. Savings' Bank of New South Wales.—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return setting forth,—
   (2.) The names of the present Trustees of the Savings' Bank of New South Wales.
   (3.) A detailed account of all moneys lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1853, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, but omitting the names of the borrowers.
   (4.) The name of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment.
   (5.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his scale of charges, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.
   (6.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the same is in all, or in what cases, a printed document.
   (7.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank.
   (8.) The names of the Managing Trustee, Accountant, Clerks, and other Officers of the Bank, and the annual salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residence.

Debate ensued.

It being agreed to put the Question upon the proposed Resolutions seriatim,—
   Question.—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return setting forth,—
   (1.) The names of the present Trustees of the Savings' Bank of New South Wales—put and passed.
   Question.—(2.) A detailed account of all moneys lent by the Bank since the 1st of January, 1853, specifying the amount or amounts lent to each individual, public body, or Company, the date of each loan, the nature of the security, and the rate of interest, but omitting the names of the borrowers—put and passed.
   Question.—(3.) The name of the present Solicitor to the Bank, and the date of his appointment—put and passed.
   Question put.—(4.) The particulars of the arrangement made with that gentleman (if any), with reference to his scale of charges, and the amount of Commission (if any), authorized to be deducted by him, in respect of each sum of money lent by the Bank.

Council divided.

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Mr. Flood, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Barker, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. Smart, Mr. Egan, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Smith, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Russell, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Lang, Mr. A. Whorome, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris.

Noes, 12.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. W. Boweman, Mr. Bligh, Captain King, Mr. Macquarie, Mr. Brodhusen, The Colonial Treasurer, The Attorney General, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Parker, Mr. Park, The Auditor General, Tellers.

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Question.—(5.) The Form of Mortgage at present required by the Bank, and whether the same is in all, or in what cases, a printed document—put and passed.

Question.—(6.) The average number of Trustees who attend the ordinary Meetings at the Bank—put and passed.

Question.—(7.) The names of the Managing Trustees, Accountant, Clerks, and other Officers of the Bank, and the annual Salary paid to each, specifying in each case whether such Salary be with or without a Residence—put and passed.

4. Wollombi Road.—Mr. Douglas presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the District of Wollombi, representing the bad state of the Road passing through their District, and praying relief.

Position received, and referred to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways.

5. Aborigines.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the Reverend W. Ridgley, A.B., Minister of the Gospel in connexion with the Synod of New South Wales, praying the Council to take into their early and earnest consideration the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony.

Position received.

6. Bonus to Captain Cadell for opening up the Navigation of the River Murray.—Mr. Maclay moved, pursuant to amended notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appropriate from the Land Fund the sum of £2,000 to be awarded to Captain Cadell, as a bonus upon his taking a steamer of not less than forty horse power to the town of Albury, on the River Murray, from the Goolwa; and a further sum of £2,000, likewise to be paid to Captain Cadell, on his taking a steamer of not less than forty horse power to the town of Gundagai, on the Murray Bridge, from the same place.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

7. Disasters on Board the Steamer "City of Melbourne":—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report of the investigation held by the New South Wales Steam Board, relative to the causes of the late disasters on Board the "City of Melbourne" Steamer.

Question put and passed.

8. Courts of Assize as Gundagai and Albury.—Mr. Maclay moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may appear necessary for the establishment of Courts of Assize at the "Towns of Gundagai and Albury."

Debate ensued.

Mr. Morris moved, that the Question be amended, by the omission of the words "Towns of Gundagai and Albury," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "principal Towns in the interior of the Colony."

Debate continued.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

9. Postponement.—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for today, until Tuesday next.

10. Township of Dryton.—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the correspondence that has taken place with the Government and the Survey Department on the subject of the Township of Dryton.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. Bank of New South Wales.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice, that the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled "An Act to amend an Act, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

12. Commercial Bank.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice, that the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying the introduction of a Bill to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to amend "an Act, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called, 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"

Question put and passed.

13. Postponement.—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

14. Parish Tolls and Ferry Does Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Law with reference to the Collection of Tolls or Ferry Does on Parish Roads.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconders prepare and bring in the Bill.

15. Mimi and Hexham Railway Bill.—Dr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Mimi and Hexham Railway Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.)
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move—
   (1) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales, be now adopted.
   (2) That an Address, accompanied by a copy of that Report, be presented to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House Estimates prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 36, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1893-4, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Jury Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Carangara Copper Mining Company’s Bill be now read a second time.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for managing and upholding the Public Reservoir for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Campbell Town, and for other purposes relating thereto.
2. Mr. Parker to move,—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darvall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. McLeay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Windsor Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
2. Dr. Lang to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the Inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirteenth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cooksland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

3. Mr. Parker to move, That the Petition of the Rev. Wm. Ridley, in reference to the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony, presented by him on the 5th instant, beprinted.

4. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—

(1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.

(2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.

(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

(5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Registration Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read,—

CHAIRMAN, A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 76, His Excellency the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intitled "A Bill for registering Births, Deaths, and " Marriages in the Colony of New South Wales."

Government House, Sydney, 5 September, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow forthwith.

2. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:—

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Sydney Gold Escort Company, adopted, on motion of Mr. Darvall, on the 25th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the disaster on board the Steamer "City of Melbourne," adopted, on motion of Mr. Leslie, on the 5th instant.

3. Postponements:—

(1.) The Colonial Secretary postponed the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.

(2.) The third reading of the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day fortnight.

4. City Sewerage and Water Supply:—The Governor General's Message, No. 35, received on the 30th ultimo, in reference to the City Sewerage and Water Supply, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Council ordered the accompanying Estimates to be considered in Committee this day week.

5. Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 36, with the Assisted Emigration Bill, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.

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

7. Jury Bill:—The Attorney General moved, on behalf of the Solicitor General, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed, and Bill read a second time;— Whereupon, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

Council adjourned at a quarter before Ten o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY to move—

(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Colonial Allowances that might be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales, be now adopted.

(2.) That an Address, accompanied by a copy of that Report, be presented to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House Estimates prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee.

ORDER
ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Carnagora Copper Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for managing and upholding the Public Reservoir for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Campbell Town, and for other purposes relating thereto.

2. Mr. Parkes to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Blight, Mr. Darvall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. McLey.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Windsor Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill; second reading.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holland to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

2. Dr. Lang to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cookland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition of the Rev. Wm. Ridley, in reference to the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony, presented by him on the 5th instant, be printed.

4. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be considered in Committee.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 36, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
3. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Peveril Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:


THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vict., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 48.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Bank of New South Wales—Mr. Cowper, under suspension, on the 5th instant, of the 50th and 51st Standing Orders, presented a Petition from Robert Towns, Daniel Cooper, junior, Joseph Scots Willis, John Alexander, and William Walker, junior, Directors and Shareholders of a certain Banking Company incorporated and carrying on business in Sydney under the name and style of "The Bank of New South Wales," praying leave to introduce a Bill to amend an Act intituled, "An Act to amend an Act, intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."
Petition received.

2. Commercial Bank—Mr. Cowper, under suspension, on the 5th instant, of the 50th and 51st Standing Orders, presented a Petition from Edward Knox, Henry Watson Parker, John Walker, Walter Lamb, and John Taylor, Directors and Shareholders of a certain Banking Company incorporated and carrying on business in Sydney, under the name and style of "The Commercial Banking Company," praying leave to introduce a Bill to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to amend an Act, intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company, called the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned."
Petition received.

3. Papers—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
(1.) Letters from the Consul for France, of dates respectively the 19th and 23rd ultimo, respecting the D duty to be collected in France on wool from countries beyond Cape Horn and the Cape of Good Hope.
(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to Salaries paid in 1853, under Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 28th July last.
(3.) The Return to the Address in reference to Increases in 1854, to Salaries chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 28th July last. Ordered to be printed.

4. Colonial Allowances to Army and Navy:—The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice:
(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Colonial Allowances that ought to be made to the Army and Navy serving in New South Wales, be now adopted.
(2.) That an Address, accompanied by a copy of that Report, be presented to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House Estimates prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

5. Estimation of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor-General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 32.

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the House was counted, and being not being eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker adjourned the Council at twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for managing and upholding the Public Reservoir for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Campbell Town, and for other purposes relating thereto.
2. Mr. Parkes to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darwell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. Macleay.
3. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called, 'The Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"
4. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called, 'The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"
5. Mr. Moon to move:—
   (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the general management of the Native Police.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Cowper, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Deboo, Captain Mayne, Mr. Flood, Mr. Nichols, Captain King, Mr. Russell, and The Attorney General.
6. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Carnagora Copper Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Windsor Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
2. Dr. Lane to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for creating it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cockland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.
3. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Petition of the Rev. Wm. Ridley, in reference to the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony, presented by him on the 5th instant, be printed.
4. Mr. Parkes to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill; third reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be considered in Committee.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 36, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
3. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move:—
   (1) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.
   (2) That this Council resolve to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
   (3) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration.

FRIDAY,
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepaan Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
(1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 22.
(2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
(5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 49.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 3 September, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Sydney Railway Bill.—The Colonial Treasurer, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 13th day of July last. Ordered to be printed.

2. Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a Communication from the City Commissioners, of date the 30th August last, in reference to City Rates for the current half-year. Ordered to be printed.

3. Branch of the Royal Mint:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Merchants, Bankers, and Traders of the City of Sydney, praying that competent and sufficient evidence be taken before any further proceeding in the matter of the Mint. Petition received.

4. Sydney Railway Bill:—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from certain Proprietors and Residents of Redfern, Chippendale, and Botany, praying the Council to discharge this Bill from the Paper. Petition received.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols first on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

6. Branch of the Royal Mint:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. — The Colonial Treasurer, the Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Darwall, Mr. Parker, Mr. Smart, and Mr. Macleay.

Debate ensued.

The Speaker being about to put the Question, Mr. Martin required that the proposed Committee, if granted, be appointed by Ballot.

Question put,—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to take evidence and report upon the present state of circumstances affecting the establishment of a Branch of the Royal Mint in New South Wales.

Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Park,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Gaskin,
Mr. Thurloe,
Dr. Leng,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Parkes. 

Mr. Parkes, } Tellers.

Noes, 18.

The Colonial Secretary,
The Auditor General,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. Dobie,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Cox,
Mr. II. Osborne,
The Postmaster General,
Mr. Smith,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Martin. } Tellers.

7. Bank of New South Wales Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intitled "An Act to amend an Act intitled 'An "Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called, 'The Bank "of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'" Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

8. Commercial Bank Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intitled "An Act to amend an Act intitled 'An Act to "incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called, 'The Com-

merial Banking Company of Sydney,' and for other purposes therein mentioned.'" Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

9.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

2. Mr. Lang to move, That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, in accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act of 1850, and the repeated petitions of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will graciously please to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for creating it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cooksland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook.

3. Mr. Parker to move, That the Petition of the Hon. Wm. Ridley, in reference to the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony, presented by him on the 5th instant, be printed.

4. Mr. Parker to move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and delivery of coal raised from coal pits and collieries in New South Wales.

5. The Auditor General to move that the resumption of the Committee of the whole Council, for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 35,—the proceedings of which were interrupted, on 7th instant, for want of a Quorum,—stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

6. Mr. Parker to move that the Petition in reference to the Mint, presented by him on the 8th instant, be printed.

7. Mr. Nicholas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Mainland Road Trust Act 17 Vict., No. 16.

8. Mr. Egan to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying That His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, a sum not exceeding £1000, for completing the new line of Road from Bombay, in the District of Mysore, to its junction with the old Road to Edan, at a place called the Cow Bails.
9. Mr. Cowper to move,—

(1) That the Bank of New South Wales Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Doble, Captain King, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Fair, and Mr. Russell.

10. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause-to be laid upon the Table of this House, a List of all Gentlemen holding the Commission of the Peace up to the 1st of September instant.

11. Mr. Leslie to move, That the Report laid on the Table of this House by the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, relative to the investigation as to the causes of the late disasters on board the “City of Melbourne,” steamer, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill; third reading.
2. Carangora Copper Mining Company’s Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Windsor Road Trust Bill; third reading.
4. Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill; third reading.

Wednesday, September 18.

Contingent—Mr. Cowper to move, (on the Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council, for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messengers Nos. 30 and 33,—being read)—

(1) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.

(2) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.

(3) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration.

Government Business—orders of the day:

1. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be considered in Committee.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 26, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
3. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

Friday, September 15.

Notice of Motion—

1. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

Tuesday, September 19.

Order of the day:

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

Wednesday, September 20.

Government Business—order of the day:


Thursday, September 21.

Government Business—order of the day:

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

Tuesday, September 26.

Memo.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

Notice of Motion—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—

(1) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vict., cap. 32.

(2) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.

(3)
(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
(5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Baristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Commercial Bank Bill:—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, "An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the "Commercial Banking Company of Sydney,"' and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a first time.

2. Change in the Local Administration:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council a Despatch which he received on the 9th instant from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, announcing that His Excellency will shortly be relieved in the Government of New South Wales.

2. His Excellency considers that as an act of courtesy on his part it is due to the Legislative Council that he should take the earliest opportunity of notifying to the House the approaching termination of his Administration and the appointment of his successor.

Government House, Sydney,
12 September, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Despatch.

3. Mrs. McKenny:—Dr. Douglass presented a Petition from Harriott McKenny, late Matron of the Female Orphan School at Parramatta, representing that she was Matron of the Female Orphan School at Parramatta for upwards of ten years, and had to resign from ill health:—that in the year 1851 she was allowed a pension of £27 13s. per annum, and has now no other means of support;—and praying relief. Petition received.

4. Constitution Bill:—The Speaker read the following communication addressed to him by Mr. Wentworth, one of the two Members appointed, by a Resolution of the Council on the 21st December, 1853, to advocate and support in England the Constitution Bill which had that day passed the Council:

London, 8 July, 1854.

Sir,

I arrived in London on the 2nd of June, and a very few days afterwards Mr. Thomson and myself had an interview with the Duke of Newcastle, in Downing-street, under a previous intimation, however, from his Private Secretary, that His Grace was no longer Colonial Minister, and that he was not competent, therefore, to enter into any explanations or discussion connected with the Constitution Bill passed by our Legislative Council. This topic was, accordingly, not adverted to, and the subjects of conversation were the present defenceless state of the City of Sydney, and the other Capitals of the Australian Colonies, and their consequent exposure to plunder or contribution, as well by the Russian Vessels of War in the Pacific, as by Ducaners sailing under the Russian flag.—His Grace's recent Despatch to Lieutenant Governor La Trobe about Her Majesty's Orders in Council,—and the state of the labor market,—and of the Australian Colonies generally. On all these matters we freely expressed our opinion; and on the former of them—the constant liability of these Colonies to hostile or piratical aggression, and the tremendous outcry, in such
an event, that would be raised from one end of the United Kingdom to the other,—our representations appeared to produce some effect. Whether, however, they will induce the British Government to send any increased armaments to our seas, I can express no reliance upon which any reliance can be placed; my own impression is, that Ministers are so entirely absorbed in the direction of their armaments in Europe, that the only safe course the Australian Colonies generally can adopt, and our Colony in particular, is to proceed with our fortifications at the Heads as quick as possible, and to organize at once the best militia we can. It appears to me that perfect self-reliance is the only safe principle the Australian Colonies can now adopt.

A day or two after this interview with the Duke of Newcastle, Mr. Thomson left London for Ireland, and from thence he will shortly proceed to the waters of Vichy.

Three or four days after Mr. Thomson’s departure, I was introduced by appointment to Sir George Grey, and received by him as one of the deputation from the Legislative Council. He had only just assumed the Scale of Office, and stated at once that he had not had time to consider the details of our Constitution Bill, or of any of the similar Bills which had reached the Colonial Office; that it occurred to him that the whole of the Bills would have to be considered together, and that at this late period of the Session he was afraid there would not be time to give these measures that mature consideration which their importance demanded.

I asked him whether I was to understand that these Bills would not be disposed of this Session, and whether I had his authority to make this announcement to the Legislative Council of New South Wales. He replied that he could give me no such authority; that circumstances, not then foreseen, might induce him to bring them forward; but that his private opinion was that the Acts of Parliament that would be required to give them vitality would not be passed before the next Session of Parliament. I then told him that I felt it my duty to give an account of my interview with him to the Speaker of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, for the information of the Members of that Body, and desired to know whether I might state it as his opinion that our Constitution Bill would not be matured during the present Session: His reply was, “You may state it as your own impression, but not as mine.”

I know, as well from Sir George Grey’s statement as from other sources, that the Duke of Newcastle expresses in the opinion that all the Australian Constitutions should be considered together, and I feel quite certain that none of them will be proceeded with during the present Session of Parliament.

I have to request you will at once communicate the contents of this letter to the Legislative Council.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. C. WENTWORTH.

SIR CHARLES NICHOLSON, KNT.,
Speaker of the Legislative Council.

5. Turnkeys of Parramatta Goal:—Mr. Oakes presented a Petition from certain Turnkeys of the Parramatta Goal, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief. Petition received.

6. Mimi and Hoeham Railway Bill:—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from John Malcolm, of the City of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, gentleman, and James Brown and Alexander Brown, of Newcastle in the said Colony, praying that this Bill may not be passed without sufficient compensation to Petitioners, and that the whole line of the Railway be thrown open to public use upon payment of a reasonable toll, to be taxed by the Council. Petition received.

Mr. Cowper,—having produced a certificate that the sum of fifteen pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 50th section of the Standing Orders,—moved that the Petition be now referred to the Select Committee on this Bill. Question put and passed.

7. Postponement:—Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.

8. Proposed Separation of Moreton Bay:—Dr. Lang moved pursuant to notice, That a Full and Public Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that, with the consent of the inhabitants, Her Majesty will graciously be pleased to issue the requisite instructions for separating from New South Wales the Territory extending northwards from the thirtieth parallel of latitude towards the Tropic of Capricorn, and for erecting it into a distinct and independent Colony, under the designation of Cooksland, in honor of its illustrious discoverer, Captain Cook. Debate ensued.

Mr. Smith moved the Previous Question. Debate continued.

Previous Question put—“Shall this Question be now put?”
9. Aborigines.—Mr. Parke moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Rev. Wm. Ridley, in reference to the present condition of the Aborigines of this Colony, presented by him on the 8th instant, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

10. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Parke withdrew the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day—substituting a fresh notice of motion for Tuesday next.

11. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—The Auditor General moved, pursuant to notice, That the resumption of the Committee of the whole House, for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 80 and 83,—the proceedings of which were interrupted, on 7th instant, for want of a Quorum,—stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow. Question put and passed.

12. Balance of the Royal Mint.—Mr. Parke moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition in reference to the Mint, presented by him on the 8th instant, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

13. Mitchell Road Trust Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Mitchell Road Trust Act 1851, No. 16. Question put and passed; Ordered that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

14. Road from Bombala to Eden.—Mr. Egan moved, pursuant to notice, "That" an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying That His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, a sum not exceeding £1000, for completing the new line of Road from Bombala, in the District of Maneroo, to its junction with the old Road to Eden, at a place called the Cow Bails. Debate ceased. The Colonial Treasurer moved, That the Question be amended by the introduction, after the word "That" at the commencement, of the words "it be referred to the "Select Committee on Roads and Railways, to consider and report upon the expenditure of adopting a Resolution to the effect following, viz., "That" Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be introduced after the word "That" at the commencement, be so introduced,—put and passed;

Whereupon Question—That it be referred to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways to consider and report upon the expediency of adopting a Resolution to the effect following, viz., "That an Address be presented to the Governor General, "praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1856, a sum not exceeding £1000, for completing the new line of Road from Bombala, in the District of Maneroo, to its junction with the old Road to Eden, at a place called the Cow Bails"—put and passed.

15. Mitchell Road Trust Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "A Bill to amend the Mitchell Road Trust Act of 1855, 17 Vict., No. 16," read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day fortnight.

16. New South Wales Bank Bill.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice:—

(1.) That the Bank of New South Wales Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dobie, Captain King, the Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Park, and Mr. Russell.

Question—(1.) That the Bank of New South Wales Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

(2) Also such Committee consist of Mr. Dobie, Captain King, the Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Mr. H. Osborne, Mr. Park, and Mr. Russell—put and passed.
17. Commission of the Peace.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a List of all Gentlemen holding the Commission of the Peace up to the 1st of September instant. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

18. Disasters on board the Steamer “City of Melbourne.”—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, That the Report laid on the Table of this House by the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, relative to the investigation as to the causes of the late disasters on board the “City of Melbourne,” steamer, be printed. Debate ensued. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

19. Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company’s Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, read a third time, and passed. Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company called The Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company, and for other purposes therein mentioned.” Question put and passed.

20. Carangara Copper Mining Company’s Bill.—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

21. Windsor Road Trust Bill, on motion of Mr. G. Bowman, read a third time, and passed. Mr. G. Bowman then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to alter and amend an Act entitled, ‘An Act for the making and upholding of the Public Roads in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes therein mentioned,’ and to divide the Windsor Road Trust into two separate Trusts for Windsor and Richmond respectively.” Question put and passed.

22. Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed. Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to amend the Law with reference to the Collection of Toll or Ferry Dues on Parish Roads.” Question put and passed. Council adjourned at Ten minutes after Eight o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

Contingent.—Mr. Cowper to move, (on the Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council, for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854–5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33,—being read)—

(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.

(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.

(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be considered in Committee.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 90, with Assisted Immigration Bill.
3. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854–5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cock’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move,—

(1.) That the Commercial Bank Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dohie, Capt. Dumaresq, Mr. Flood, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Park, and Mr. Stuart.

FRIDAY
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.
2. Mr. Floyd to move, That the Evidence given by Edmund Walscot, Esq., and Capt. Moriarty, before the Committee of the whole Council, on the subject of the Circular Quay, be printed.
3. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of defraying the expense of erecting a Public Wharf at the foot of Enrkin-street, in the City of Sydney.
4. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Grant from the Crown to the Sydney Exchange Company, of an allotment of land, in Bridge-street, Sydney, as a site for an Exchange.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Carangara Copper Mining Company's Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parkes to move, That the Question on his Motion That the Coal Bill be now read a second time,—which was intercepted on the 29th August last by the Previous Question,—be now put.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embedded in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Mainland Road Trust Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Constitution Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHB. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

With reference to the Address of the Legislative Council on the 21 December last, and to the Bill passed during the last Session, intituled "A Bill to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty," the Governor General now transmits to the Legislative Council a Despatch which His Excellency has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, stating his reasons for deferring the preparation and consideration of the measures necessary for giving effect to that Act until the next Session of the Imperial Parliament.

Government House,
Sydney, 13 September, 1854.

The Speaker then read the accompanying Despatch, as follows:—

No. 9.
Downing-street,
3rd July, 1854.

Sir,

Among the subjects demanding immediate attention on my receiving the Scales of this Department, one of the most important was the consideration of the Acts passed by the Legislatures of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, for altering their Constitutions, and for granting a Civil List to Her Majesty.

2. It would have been very satisfactory to Her Majesty's Government to have been enabled to bring these Acts under the consideration of Parliament during the present Session, and to have proposed, without delay, the measures necessary for fulfilling the conditional pledge given by Sir John Pakington in his Despatch of 15th December, 1852, and repeated by the Duke of Newcastle in his Despatch of 18th July, 1853, respecting the future administration of the Waste Lands of the Colonies, and the appropriation of the funds arising from their sale.

3. But the course of circumstances has rendered this impossible. Your Despatch No. 165, of 20th December last, transmitting the New South Wales Act, reached this country only on the 16th April, when the Session of Parliament was already far advanced, and, although the two Acts passed for similar purposes by the Legislature of South Australia had arrived two months earlier, the Act from Victoria was not received until the 31st May.

4. It will be obvious that laws framed on such subjects by Colonies similarly circumstanced, and in pursuance of similar proposals from the Home Government, could not, with advantage, be considered separately, still less could the necessary Parliamentary measures respecting them be separately introduced.

5. The novelty and importance of some of the provisions of these Acts, to which no effect can be given without Parliamentary enactment, require that the decision of Her Majesty's Government as to the advice which it will be their duty to tender to Her Majesty with regard to them, should be made after full and serious deliberation. Time will also be requisite for the preparation of any Bills to be submitted to Parliament respecting them, and for the consideration by Parliament of such Bills after their introduction.

6. This object can only be attained by postponing any such measures to the next Session. The interval between the close of the present Session, now drawing towards its termination, and the commencement of another, will afford to Her Majesty's advisers the necessary leisure for the consideration which is due to Acts involving questions of such magnitude, and so deeply concerning the future welfare and good government of these valuable and important Provinces of the British Empire.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

G. GREY.

Governor.

Sir C. Fitz Roy,
&c., &c., &c.

On motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Council ordered the Message and accompanying Despatch to be printed.
2. Slaughtering and Selling Meat on the Sabbath.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Misters, Carneas Butchers, Journeymen and Servants, engaged in trade as Butchers within the City and District of Sydney, praying the entire suppression of the practice of Slaughtering and Vending Butchers’ Meat during the Sabbath.

Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on the Public Health Bill.

3. City Sewerage and Water Supply.—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker led the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Estimates for the City Sewerage and Water Supply for the years 1854 and 1855.

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

4. Assisted Immigration Bill.—The Governor General’s Message, No. 36, received with this Bill on this 31st ultimo, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled “A Bill to amend the Assisted Immigration Act”, read a first time; to be read a second time this day fortnight.

5. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Jury Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until tomorrow.

6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On the Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council, for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33, being read,—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to Contingent notice,—

(1.) That the government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.

(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.

(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration.

Debate ensued.

Mr. G. Bowman moved, That the Debate be adjourned until this day week.

Debate continued:

Question—on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until this day week—put and passed;—

Whereupon, on motion of the Auditor General, the Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council, for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33, postponed until this day week.

7. Cook River Bridge Bill.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

Council, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, adjourned at a quarter before Eight o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Question on his Motion—that the Coal Bill be now read a second time,—which was interrupted on the 28th August last by the Previous Question,—be now put.

2. Mr. COWPER to move,—

(1.) That the Commercial Bank Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dobie; Capt. Durnaserg, Mr. Flood, the Solicitor-General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart.

3. Mr. DAVIES to move, That the Penrith Nepan-Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

4. Mr. Flood to move, That the Evidence given by Edmund Welcott, Esq., and Capt. Morriarty, before the Committee of the whole Council, on the subject of the Circular Quay, be printed.

5. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855 a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of defraying the expenses of erecting a Public Wharf at the foot of Ekrakine-street, in the City of Sydney.

6. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Grant from the Crown to ‘the Sydney Exchange Company,’ of an allotment of land, in Bridge-street, Sydney, as a site for an Exchange.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.
2. Caragarga Copper Mining Company’s Bill; third reading.

WEDNESDAY,
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
2. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
   "(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess "the confidence of this House.
   "(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for "the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a "Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
   "(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, trans- "mitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency "will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration."

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.
2. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.
NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Mainland Road Trust Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,  
Speaker.
TUESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Amendment to Bill:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Bill.

2. Scab in Sheep:—Mr. Morris, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 1st August last, to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in Sheep called Scab.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several mentioned Papers:—
   (1) The Return to the Address in reference to the Steamer “Shamrock,” adopted, on motion of Mr. Leslie, on the 29th August last.
   (2) The Report of the Government Geological and Mineralogical Surveyor, Mr. Sturtshbury, of date the 1st August, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Parkes, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Parkes first on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

5. Commercial Bank Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
   (1) That the Commercial Bank Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dobie, Capt. Dumasreng, Mr. Flood, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart.

Question—(1) That the Commercial Bank Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question—(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dobie, Capt. Dumasreng, Mr. Flood, The Solicitor General, Mr. Martin, Mr. Park, and Mr. Smart—put and passed.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Parker, on behalf of Mr. Darwall, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darwall third on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

7. Circular Quay:—Mr. Flood moved, pursuant to notice, That the Evidence given by Edmund Walecut, Esq., and Capt. Moriarty, before the Committee of the whole House, on the subject of the Circular Quay, be printed.

Debate ceased.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Proposed Wharf at foot of Erskine-street:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of defraying the expense of creating a Public Wharf at the foot of Erskine-street, in the City of Sydney.

Debate ceased.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

9. Grant for the Site of the Sydney Exchange:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Grant from the Crown to “The Sydney Exchange Company,” of an allotment of land, in Bridge-street, Sydney, as a site for an Exchange.

Question put and passed;—

Whereupon the Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the Return of the Address.

10. Coal Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Question on his motion That the Coal Bill be now read a second time, which was intercepted on the 29th August last by the Previous Question, be now put.

Debate ceased.

Question put and passed;—

Whereupon
Whereupon Question.—That the Coal Bill be now read a second time.—put and passed.
Bill then read a second time, and ordered to be considered in Committee this day week.

11. Postpone:—
   (1.) Mr. Parker, on behalf of Mr. Darvell, further postponed the motion standing
   in the name of Mr. Darvell third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
   (2.) The second reading of the Unpaid Justices Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parker,
   on behalf of Mr. Darvell, until Tuesday next.

12. Carangra Copper Mining Company's Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time,
   and passed.
   Mr. Cowper then moved, That the title of this Bill be "An Act to incorporate the
   "Carangra Copper Mining Company." Question put and passed.
   
   Council adjourned at Twenty-five minutes before Five o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three
   o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
2. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper’s motion,—
   "(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess
   "the confidence of this House.
   "(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for
   "the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a
   "Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
   "(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General,
   transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that, His Excellency
   "will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration."

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the
   Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.
2. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Lang to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying
   that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,
   a Copy of the Electoral Roll of the Colony, specifying the number of Electors in each
   Electoral District, both before and since the recent revision of the Lists, but
   without giving the names.
2. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the ‘Sydney ‘Corporation
   Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 33.
3. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying
   that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,
   a Return of the number of Barristers and Attorneys now on the Roll of the Supreme
   Court of New South Wales, distinguishing the names of those Continues now in actual
   practice from those who have ceased to practice.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. James MacArthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank
   Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8
   Vict., cap. 82.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this
   Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory
   notes.
notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

(5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

2. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Parramatta Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Mainland Road Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Cook's River Bridge Bill.—Mr. Holroyd having presented this Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public use of the Coloney, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to form and make a Dam or Bridge across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales,"—read a first time.

2. Bathurst Constabulary.—Mr. Holroyd presented a Petition from the District and certain Ordinary Constables resident and acting in and for the District of Bathurst, in the Colony of New South Wales, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.
   Mr. Holroyd then moved that this Petition be received.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

3. Postponements:—
   (1.) The third reading of the Goldfield's Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
   (2.) The further consideration in Committee of the Estimates for the City Sewerage and Water Supply for the years 1854 and 1855 postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.

4. Proposed Vote of Want of Confidence in the present Local Administration:—The Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
   "(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.
   "(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is ascertained that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
   "(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, communicating the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration,"—repeated.
   Dr. Lang moved that the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
   Question on the Motion for adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow, put and passed.

5. Postponements:—
   (1.) The Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 35, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
   (2.) The further consideration in Committee of the Jury Bill postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until to-morrow.
   Council adjourned at twenty-five minutes after Nine o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading
3. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr Cowper's motion,—
   "(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.
   "(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is ascertained that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
   "(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration."
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 29 and 38.
2. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. HOLLODY to move,—
   (1.) That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That each Committee consist of the Solicitor General, Mr. Bradburys, Mr. Allen, Colonel Barney, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Morris.

2. MR. HOLLODY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of a Memorial recently forwarded to His Excellency from the Police Constables at Bathurst, praying for an increase of pay; —together with Copies of all Correspondence and Memoranda between the Government, the Inspector General of Police, and the Police Magistrate at Bathurst, relating thereto; and of a Report of the Inspector General of Police on the said Memorial.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. DR. LANG to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Electoral Roll of the Colony, specifying the number of Electors in each Electoral District, both before and since the recent revision of the Lists, but without giving the names.

2. MR. NICHOLAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vic., No. 33.

3. MR. NICHOLAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Barristers and Attorneys now on the Roll of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, distinguishing the names of those Gentlemen now in actual practice from those who have ceased to practice.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. JAMES MACARTHY to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 82.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

2. MR. DARVALL to move, That the Fourth Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Maitland Road Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee
4. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Stipend to Jewish Minister:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHAS. A. FITZROY,
Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council, dated the 22nd ultimo, requesting that the Governor General will send down "A Bill to authorise the payment of a stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Jewish Faith, established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue, of the Annual sum of Two thousand pounds," the Governor General, with the advice of the Executive Council, assures the Legislative Council, that it is with regret he finds himself precluded by the terms of the Secretary of State's Despatch of 13th April, 1847, from concurring with the Council in any measure for extending to the professors of the Hebrew Faith, pecuniary aid towards the maintenance of Public Worship, unless it be a measure of the general character prescribed by the Secretary of State.

2. A Copy of the Despatch referred to was laid before the Legislative Council on the 17th May, 1848.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st September, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Assent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—
(1.) Parish Tolls and Ferry Dues Bill.
(2.) Windsor Road Trust Bill.
(3.) Sydney and Melbourne Steam Packet Company's Bill.

3. Leave of Absence, for one month, granted to Mr. Macleay, on motion of Mr. James Macarthur.

4. Postponements:—
(1.) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill, postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until Wednesday next.
(2.) The third reading of the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.
(3.) The further consideration in Committees of the Estimates for the City Sewers and Water Supply, for the years 1854 and 1855, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

5. Proposed Vote of Want of Confidence in the present Local Administration:—The adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
"(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.
(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is ascertained that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration,"—resumed.

Mr. Flood moved, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Question put on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Dr. Land to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Electoral Roll of the Colony, specifying the number of Electors in each Electoral District, both before and since the last revision of the Lists, but without giving the names.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Act, 1861, No. 25.

3. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Barristers and Attorneys now in the Roll of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, exhibiting the names of those Gentlemen now in actual practice from those who have ceased to practise.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

Order of the Day.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Dr. Land to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Electoral Roll of the Colony, specifying the number of Electors in each Electoral District, both before and since the last revision of the Lists, but without giving the names.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Act, 1861, No. 25.

3. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Barristers and Attorneys now in the Roll of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, exhibiting the names of those Gentlemen now in actual practice from those who have ceased to practise.

Mr. Nicholls moved, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow put and passed.

6. Postponements—

1. The Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

2. The further consideration of the Committee of the Jurisdiction of the Attorney General, on motion of Mr. Bellamy, until Wednesday next.

7. Spring-street Enclosure Bill—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 2nd of August last. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Holroyd then moved, That the committal of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

8. Cook's River Bridge Bill—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice.

1. That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

2. That such Committee consist of the Solicitor General, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Allen, Mr. Bourke, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Morris.

Question—(1), That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question—(2), That such Committee consist of the Solicitor General, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Allen, Mr. Bourke, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, and Mr. Morris—put and passed.

9. Bathurst Constables—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of a Memorial recently forwarded to His Excellency from the Police Constables at Bathurst, praying for an increase of pay; together with Copies of all Correspondence and Memoranda between the Governor, the Inspector-General of Police, and the Police Magistrates at Bathurst, relating thereto; and of a Report of the Inspector-General of Police on the said Memorial.

Question put and passed.

Council adjourned, at half-past Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. O'Byrne's motion—

"(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess "the confidence of this House.
"(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for "the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a "Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.
"(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, trans- "mitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency "will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration."

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

MEMO.—Ordered, That there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macartney to move,—

(1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank "Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 "Vic., cap. 32.
(2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this "Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory "notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue "promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes "subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be "provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
(5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note "payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

2. Mr. Darwall to move,—That the Perth Nepsan Bridge Bill be now read a second "time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Maitland Road Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.
5. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
3. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading
4. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Resumption of the Committees of the whole Council for the further consideration of the "Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 32.
6. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Commission of the Peace, adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 12th instant.
(2.) A Letter from the Government Medical Adviser, of date the 14th instant, with Enclosures, in reference to the treatment of Lues in temporary confined in Darlinghurst Gaol.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Camden and Narellan Police Office:—Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from certain proprietors, householders, and inhabitants of the District of Camden and Narellan, representing that the building at present used as the Police Office of the District will shortly be unavailable for that purpose;—urging the claims of the District to have a suitable Court House erected at the public expense;—and praying the adoption of such measures as may be expedient in reference thereto.

Petition received.

3. Motion withdrawn.—Dr. Lang withdrew the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day.

4. Postponement:—Mr. James Macarthur, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Nichols second and third on the Notice Paper, until the Order of the Day shall have been disposed of.

5. Proposed Vote of Want of Confidence in the present Local Administration:—The Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper’s motion,—

"(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.

(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is asured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.

(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolutions, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take them into his favorable consideration,"—resumed.

It being agreed to put the Question on the proposed Resolutions severally.

Question put:—(1.) That the Government of the Colony, as at present administered, does not possess the confidence of this House.

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. W. Bowman,
Mr. G. Bowman,
Mr. Campbell,
Dr. Lang.
Mr. Parkes, Teller.
Mr. Cowper, Teller.

Noes, 27.

Dr. Douglas,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Finch,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Berry,
Captain King,
Mr. Lestin,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Darrall,
Captain Dunsmuir,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Green,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. O’Brien,
Mr. Hulden,
Mr. Russell,
Mr. Park,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Barker,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Martin, Teller.
Mr. Morris, Teller.

Question,
Question.—(2.) That this Council resolves to postpone the consideration of the Estimates for the year 1855, until it is assured that the Public Expenditure will be made under a Government formed upon the principle of Ministerial responsibility.—

(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting the foregoing Resolution, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take it into his favorable consideration,—put and negatived.

6. Campbell Town Water Commissioners' Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill for the appointment of Commissioners for managing " and upholding the Public Reservoir for the supply of Water to the Inhabitants of " Campbelltown, and for other purposes relating thereto," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day fortnight.

7. Postponement.—Mr. Nichols further postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

8. Barristers and Attorneys.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Barristers and Attorneys now on the Roll of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, distinguishing the names of those Gentlemen now in actual practice from those who have ceased to practice.

Question put and passed. Council adjourned at half-past Nine o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

Memo.—Ordered, that there be a Call of the House to-day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue, of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Pennich Nepcea Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

3. The Colonial Secretary to move, That the evidence in reference to the recent disasters on board the steam vessel "City of Melbourne," laid upon the Table of this House on the 6th instant, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill; second reading.
2. Mainland Road Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.
5. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
4. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.
6. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY,
Friday, September 29.

Notice of Motion:—
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 33.

Friday, October 6.

Order of the Day:—
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.

Charles Nicholson,
Speaker.
No. 50.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Postage Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Vict., Cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, the Draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill further to amend the Postage Act."

Government House,
Sydney, 20 September, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

2. Sand Drifts.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Citizens resident at, or interested in property at Strawberry Hill, in the City of Sydney, representing the serious damage done to their property by Sand Drifts, and praying relief.

Petition received.

3. Education.—Mr. Cooper, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed, on the 1st August last, to inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted for improving the means of Education, and for diffusing its benefits more extensively throughout the Colony.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Blake and Michael's Marriages Voiding Act.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had signified, by Proclamation bearing date the 21st instant, that Her Majesty had been pleased to assent to this Act, and ordered that an entry of such Proclamation be made in the Votes and Proceedings or Journals of this Council, pursuant to the requirement of the 33rd section of the Act of Parliament, 5 & 6 Vict., cap. 70.—And such entry is hereby accordingly made as follows:

"PROCLAMATION."

"By His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, Knight Commander of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Governor General of all Her Majesty's Australian Possessions, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c."

Whereas by an Act of the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the fifth and sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intitled, 'An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land,' it is amongst other things enacted, that the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council by the said Act constituted, shall have authority to make laws for the peace, welfare, and good government of the said Colony; and that every Bill which has been passed by the said Council, and also every law proposed by the Governor which shall have been passed by the said Council, whether with or without amendments, shall be presented, for Her Majesty's assent, to the Governor of the said Colony, and the Governor shall declare, according to his discretion, but subject, nevertheless, to the provisions contained in the said enacted Act, and to such instructions as may, from time to time, be given in that behalf by Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, that he assents to such Bill in Her Majesty's name, or that he withholds Her Majesty's assent, or that he reserves such Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon; and it is thereby further enacted, that no Bill which shall be so reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New South Wales until the Governor of the said Colony shall signify, either by speech or message to the Legislative Council of the said Colony, or by Proclamation in the New South Wales Government Gazette, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty, in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same; and further that no Bill which shall be so reserved as aforesaid shall have any force or authority in the said Colony, unless Her Majesty's Assent thereto shall be so signified as aforesaid within the space of two years from the day on which such Bill shall have been presented for Her Majesty's assent to the Governor as aforesaid: And whereas the said Legislative Council did, in the month of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, pass a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare void an alleged Marriage between Emmeline Emma Blake, an Infant,'
"and Patrick Molan," which Bill was, agreeably to the provisions of the above recited "Act, reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon: Now, therefore, "I, Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, as such Governor aforesaid, do, by this my "Proclamation, signify and declare that His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of "Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has transmitted to me an Order "made by Her Majesty, in Council, confining, ratifying, and finally enacting the "said Act, which will take effect accordingly from the date hereof,

"Given under my hand and seal, at Government House, "Sydney, this twenty-first day of September, One "thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and in the "eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

(l.n.) "C.I.E. A. FITZ ROY.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"C. D. RIDDELL."

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!"

The Speaker then ordered that the original Act, and an attested duplicate of the said Proclamation, together with a copy of this entry, be delivered by the Clerk of the Council to the Registrar of Deeds, to be kept among the Records of the Colony; and that an acknowledgment of the receipt thereof by the said Registrar, be placed among the Records of this Council.

5. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several mentioned Papers:—

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Bathurst Constabulary adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 21st instant.

(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Township of Drayton adopted, on motion of Dr. Lang, on the 5th instant.

Ordered to be printed.

6. Call of the House:—The Clerk, by direction of the Speaker, and pursuant to the Order in that behalf made on the 22d ultimo, called over the names of the Members of the Council;

And all the Members answered in their places, except Mr. Macleay and Mr. Marsh, who were excused as absent on leave:—

And Mr. Wm. Bowman, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Chisholm, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Leslie, The Solicitor General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Smith, were not excused.

7. Postponement:—Mr. James Macarthur postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

8. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill:—Mr. Darvall moved, pursuant to notice, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn, and fresh notice of a motion to the same effect given for this day fortnight.

9. Disasters on board the Steamer "City of Melbourne":—The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, That the Evidence in reference to the recent disasters on board the steam vessel "City of Melbourne," laid upon the Table of this House on the 5th instant, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

10. Barristers' and Attorneys' Admission Bill:—Mr. Martin moved that this Bill be "now" read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Solicitor General moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now" with a view to add at the end the words "this day six months."

Debate continued.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question by leave withdrawn.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Martin, Bill discharged from the Paper.

11. Maitland Road Trust Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

12. Postponements:—

(1.) The consideration of the Coal Bill in Committee postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Tuesday next.

(2.) The second reading of the Unpaid Justices' Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Darvall, until Friday next.

13. Spring-street Enclosure Bill:—On motion of Mr. Holroyd the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day, for to-morrow.

14. Call of the House:—By direction of the Speaker the Clerk called over the names of the Members who were absent and not examined when the House was called over the day, all of whom answered in their places, or had made their appearance earlier in the day.

Council adjourned at a quarter before Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That this Council resolves that the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Victoria, No. 33, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings in the pound, for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property.

2. The Solicitor General to move for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent False Pleas or Actions on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
4. Estimates for City Sewerage and Water Supply; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Resumption of the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 20 and 33.
6. Jury Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
7. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 41, with Postage Bill.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Parker to move, That the Petition presented by him yesterday, respecting the damage to property, by Sand drifts, at Strawberry Hill, be printed.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That Mr. Russell be appointed to the Land Committee, in the room of Mr. George Macleay.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Spring-street Enclosure Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 33.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

2. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be prescribed by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Intemperance:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from Joseph Ede Pearce, Chairman of the Committee of the Hunter River Total Abstinence Society, representing the evils of Intemperance, and praying the adoption of measures for remedy thereof.

3. Council:—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from the Chief Constable and certain Ordinary Constables stationed at Moruya, in the District of Broulee, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying that the premises may be taken into favorable consideration, with a view to such further steps in the matter as to the Council may seem fit.

4. Yass Constabulary:—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from the Chief and certain other Constables of the Town and District of Yass, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.

5. Queanbeyan Constabulary:—Mr. Murray presented a Petition from the Chief and certain ordinary Constables of the District of Queanbeyan, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.

6. Gold and Silver Currency Bill:—On motion of Mr. Martin, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of this Bill.

7. Postponements:—The Colonial Secretary postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until this day week.

8. False Papers Bill:—The Solicitor General moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent False Papers or Actions on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

9. Postponements:—
   (1.) The second reading of the Assisted Immigration Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until to-morrow.
   (2.) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill, postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until this day week.
   (3.) The third reading of the Gold Fields Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until this day week.

10. City Sewerage and Water Supply:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Estimates for the City Sewerage and Water Supply for the years 1854 and 1855.

The Chairman reported the following Resolutions:—

(1.) Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £23,975 be appropriated to defray the probable Expenditure of the City Commissioners, under the Sewerage Act, 17 Victoria, No. 34, for the year 1854.

(2.) Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £205,750 be appropriated to defray the probable Expenditure of the City Commissioners, under the Sewerage Act, 17 Victoria, No. 34, for the year 1855.

(3.) Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £43,576 be appropriated to defray the probable Expenditure of the City Commissioners, under the Sydney Water Act, 17 Victoria, No. 35, for the year 1854.

(4.) Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £43,011 be appropriated to defray the probable Expenditure of the City Commissioners, under the Sydney Water Act, 17 Victoria, No. 35, for the year 1855.

The Auditor General moved, That these several Resolutions be now adopted by this Council.

Question put and passed.
11. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—The Auditor General moved, That the Committee of the whole Council for the further consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33, do now resume. Question put and passed—Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee resumed accordingly. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

12. Jury Bill:—On motion of the Solicitor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments.—The Solicitor General moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted. Mr. Nichols moved That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to insert in their place the words "this Bill be now recommitted, for the further consideration of the Clause V." Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and negatived. Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.; Question,—That this Bill be now recommitted, for the further consideration of Clause V.—put and passed—Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly. The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow, taking precedence of the Order for the further consideration in Committee of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33.

13. Postage Bill:—The Governor General's Message, No. 41, received with this Bill yesterday, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill further to amend the Postage Act," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow, taking precedence next after the Order for the third reading of the Jury Bill.

14. Postponement:—Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Parker's, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Park on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Friday next.

15. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Cowper, withdrew the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

16. Postponement:—The adoption of the Report from the Committee of the whole Council of the Spring-street Enclosure Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, until to-morrow. Council adjourned at a quarter after Nine o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Gold and Silver Currency Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Assisted Immigration Bill; second reading.
2. Jury Bill; third reading.
3. Postage Bill; second reading.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30 and 33; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Spring-street Enclosure Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Nicholas to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 28.
2. Mr. Parker to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 26th instant, respecting the damage to property, by Sand drifts, at Strawberry Hill, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY,

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.

1. Mr. Nicholas to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 28.
2. Mr. Parker to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 26th instant, respecting the damage to property, by Sand drifts, at Strawberry Hill, be printed.
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

2. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vic., cap. 32.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issues, as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
   (5.) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.

3. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to forward an Address of this House, dated 20th ultimo, requesting him to send down to this House, "A Bill to authorise the payment of a stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith, established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the General Revenue, of the Annual sum of Two hundred pounds," to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies—and that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of Her Most Gracious Majesty.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That this Council resolves that the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Victoria, No. 33, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings in the pound, for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Dr. LANG to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a tram-road between that point and the great south-western bend of the Murray River, in latitude 26th south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of terra incognita—to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia—to the rapid progress of colonization to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable, and to the opening up of a commerce of incalculable value between all these Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.
   (2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without pecuniary risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it, on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of Immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.
   (3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equidistant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. DARWALL to move, That the Parramatta Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

(1.) Gunpowder Exportation Bill:

CH8. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intitled "A Bill to prevent the Shipment of Gunpowder or other explosive materials without due notification thereof."

Governor House,
Sydney 28 September 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

(2.) Hunter River Railway Company:

CH8. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

The Governor General with the advice of the Executive Council transmits to the Legislative Council the copy of an Application which has been made by the Hunter River Railway Company for assistance from the Government similar to that which has already been extended to the Sydney Railway Company.

2. The pecuniary aid extended to the Sydney Railway Company was granted with the concurrence of the Legislative Council; His Excellency would therefore desire to be favored with an expression of the views of the Council on the present Application.

Governor House,
Sydney, 28 September, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Application, and referred to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways.

(3.) Colonial Allowances to Army and Navy:

CH8. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In pursuance of an Address of the Legislative Council of the 7th instant recommending increased scales of Allowances to the Officers and Men of Her Majesty's Naval and Military Forces serving in this Colony, the Governor General transmits Estimates of the probable Expenditure for the Years 1854 and 1855 according to the scales therein proposed.

Governor House,
Sydney 28th September 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

2. Postage Bill:—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from Mr. W. R. Piddington, Mr. James Waugh, and Mr. Joseph Cox, praying the introduction into this Bill of a Clause authorising the transmission by Post of the Illustrated London News, either in numbers or in parts, upon the payment of one penny postage upon each number. Petition received.

3. Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the Return to the Address in reference to Intemperance, adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 20th June last. Ordered to be printed.

4. Gold and Silver Currency Bill Reported:—Mr. Martin moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council, be now adopted. The Solicitor General moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," at the commencement, with a view to insert in their place the words "this Bill be now recommitted, for the further consideration of Clauses I and II." Question.—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and negatived. Question.—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and passed.

Question:
Question.—That this Bill be now recommitted, for the further consideration of
Chapters 1 and 11—put and passed;
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Com-
mitee of the whole accordingly.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with further Amendments, the Council
adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-
morrow.
5. Assisted Immigration Bill:—The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill be now read
a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.
6. Jury Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed.
The Solicitor General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act further
"to amend the Jury Act."
Question put and passed.
7. Postage Bill:—The Postmaster General moved, That this Bill be now read a second
time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time;
Whereupon, on motion of the Postmaster General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the
Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council adopted the
same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
8. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Estimates of Expen-
ditures for the year 1884-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 35, and 44, postponed, on motion of
the Auditor General, until Wednesday next.
9. Spring-street Enclosure Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of
the whole Council having been adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, the Council
ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
Council adjourned at ten minutes before Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation
Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 83.
2. Mr. P. to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 26th instant, respecting
the damage to property, by Sand dunes at Strawberry Hill, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Unpaid Justices Bill; second reading.
3. Gold and Silver Currency Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Postage Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor
General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress
Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.
2. Mr. JAMES MACAULAY (to move,—
(1) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank
Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8
Vic., cap. 32.
(2) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this
Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
(3) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of any promissory
notes payable to bearer on demand, by any Bank to be hereafter established.
(4) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue
promissory notes to bearer payable on demand, shall continue to issue such notes
subject to such conditions and such limitations, as to the amount of issue, as may be
provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
(5) That it is expedient to prohibit the issue in this Colony of any promissory note
payable to bearer on demand, for any sum less than five pounds.
3. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to forward an Address of this House, dated 29th ultimo, requesting him to send down to this House, "A Bill to authorize the payment of " a stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the " Hebrew Faith, established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause " from the General Revenue, of the Annual sum of Two hundred pounds." to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies;—and that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of Her Most Gracious Majesty.

4. Mr. Smith to move, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of applications for the purchase of Crown Lands (stating as near as possible the number of acres) within the Northern Districts, that is, to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1852, to the 30th June, 1854. Also, a return of the number of acres of land sold within the same period of time, and the gross amount of money produced by such sales. Also, a return of the quantity of land open for selection on the 30th June, 1854.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; third reading.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—notice of motion:—
1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That this Council resolves that the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Victoria, No. 33, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings in the pound, for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 42, with Gunpowder Exportation Bill.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Dr. Lang to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a tran-road between that point and the great south-western head of the Murray River, in latitude 34° south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita, to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of colonization to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable to open up a commerce of incalculable value between all those Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.

   (2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without pecuniary risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it, on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.

   (3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equidistant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

2. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Pennith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Motion withdrawn.—The Colonial Secretary withdrew the motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for Wednesday next,—substituting an amended notice of motion in lieu thereof.

2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Vict., No. 39.
Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

3. Postponement.—Mr. Parks postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

4. Carriers’ Regulation Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, “A Bill for the Licensing and Regulation of Carriers plying for hire within the City of Sydney,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on next Tuesday fortnight.

5. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Mainland Road Trust Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

6. Unpaid Justices Bill.—Mr. Darvall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
Council divided.

Ayes, 12.
Mr. Parks,
Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Bradley,
Mr. Illugh,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Chisholm,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Darvall,
Mr. Morris, } Tellers.

Noes, 10.
The Attorney General,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. J. McGregor,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Rixon,
Mr. A. Osborne,
Mr. Allen,
The Auditor General,
The Solicitor General,
The Postmaster General,
The Colonial Secretary,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Martin,

7. Gold and Silver Currency Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Martin then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to regulate the Currency in New South Wales, of the Gold and Silver Coin issued from the Branch of the Royal Mint in Sydney.”
Question put and passed.

8. Postage Bill, on motion of the Postmaster General, read a third time, and passed.
The Postmaster General then moved, that the Title of this Bill be “An Act further to amend the Postage Act.”
Question put and passed.
Council adjourned at half-past Six o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

2. Mr. James McGregor to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient to adopt in this Colony, in reference to the issue of Bank Notes, the principle embodied in and established by the Act of Parliament, 7 and 8 Vict., cap. 82.
   (2.) That it is expedient for the purpose of applying that principle, to establish in this Colony, as a department of the Government, a Bank of Issue.
3. Mr. NICHOLAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to forward an Address to this House, dated 20th ultimo, requesting him to send down to this House, "A Bill to authorise the payment of a stipend to a Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew faith, established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause "from the General Revenue, of the Annual sum of Two hundred pounds," to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies;—and that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of Her Most Gracious Majesty.

4. Mr. SMITH to move, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, prayering that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of applications for the purchase of Crown Lands (stating as near as possible the number of acres) within the Northern Districts, that is, to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1852, to the 30th June, 1854. Also, a return of the number of acres of land sold within the same period of time, and the gross amount of money produced by such sales. Also, a return of the quantity of land open for selection on the 30th June, 1854.

5. Mr. PARKES to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 20th ultimo, respecting the damage to property, by Sand drifts, at Strawberry Hill, be printed.

6. Mr. SMITH to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the establishment and regulation of a Savings' Bank at Moreton Bay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Spring-street Enclosure Bill; third reading.
3. Mainland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the expediency of reporting to the House a Resolution to the effect following, viz.——
   "That the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Vict., No. 33, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings in the pound, for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property."

2. The Colonial Secretary to move for leave to bring in a Bill for applying certain sums raised or to be raised under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853, and the Sydney Water Act of 1853, for the Years 1854 and 1855.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 42, with Gunpowder Exportsion Bill.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 39, 33, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. DR. LANG to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a tram-road between that point and the great south-western bend of the Murray River, in latitude 34° south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita,—to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of a settlement to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable,—and to the opening up of a commerce of incalculable value between all these Australin colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.
   (2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without any risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it, on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.
3.

(3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equi-distant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

2. Mr. Moncrieff to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

3. Mr. Morris to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed, on the 1st August, 1884, to "inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called Scab," and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose to the Council a Bill to authorize an assessment upon all sheep in the Colony, in accordance with the recommendations contained in that Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darvell to move, That the Parramatta Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from certain Clergymen, Landlords, and Residents in the District and neighbourhood of Camden, representing the evils of Intemperance as arising chiefly out of the present system of licensing Public Houses, and praying remedy thereof.

3. Motion withdrawn: Mr. James Macarthur withdrew the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day; substituting an amended notice of motion for Tuesday, the 10th instant.

4. Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads: Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from Samuel Hubblewhite, Chairman of a Committee of the Inhabitants and Landholders of Randwick and the Town and District of Coogee, representing the benefit that would be conferred on the Citizens of Sydney by completing the Road from Randwick to Coogee, and praying relief.

5. City Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill: Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to repeal the 7th Section of the Sydney Corporation Act " 14 Victoria No. 41, and to amend the City Corporation Abolition Act 17 Victoria " No. 39," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

6. Paper: The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table certain Papers relating to a proposed modification in the Land and Immigration Deposit Regulations. Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Immigration.

7. Postponement: Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper, until after the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

8. Stipend to Jewish Ministers: Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to forward an Address of this House, dated 22nd August last, requesting him to send down to this House, "A Bill to authorize the payment of a stipend to a " Minister of Religion for the congregation of persons professing the Hebrew Faith, "established in the City of Sydney, containing an Appropriation Clause from the "General Revenue, of the Annual sum of Two hundred pounds," to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies; and that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend the same to the favorable consideration of Her Most. Clemious Majesty.

Question put and passed.

9. Sale of Crown Lands at Norcoton Day: Mr. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of applications for the purchase of Crown Lands (stating as near as possible the number of acres) within the Northern Districts, that is, to the north of the 30th parallel of latitude, from the 1st January, 1852, to the 30th June, 1854. Also, a return of the number of acres of land sold within the same period of time, and the gross amount of money produced by such sales. Also, a return of the quantity of land open for selection on the 30th June, 1854.

Question put and passed.

10. Patrick Maloney: Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 4th July last, to inquire into and report upon the causes of the delay in issuing the pardon to Patrick Maloney, as recommended by their Honors the Judges, with power to send for persons and papers.

Ordered to be printed.

11. The late Sheriff Macquoid: Mr. Holroyd presented a Petition from B. C. Reid and Parry Long, as Attorneys for Suitors in the Supreme Court, and enrolled as creditors in the Estate of the late Thomas Macquoid, Sheriff of New South Wales, deceased, representing their claims upon the said Estate, and praying relief.

Petition received.

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12. Cape Island Light House.—Mr. Murray, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 19th July last, to investigate and report upon the circumstances connected with the absence of any light at Cape Island during a period of several days in the early part of that month. Ordered to be printed.

13. Grammar or High School.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the City of Sydney and others, praying the adoption of measures for the erection of a Grammar or High School. Petition received.

14. Sand Drifts.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 20th ultimo, respecting the damage to property, by Sand drifts, at Strawberry Hill, be printed

Motion by leave withdrawn.

15. Savings' Bank, Moreton Bay.—Mr. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for the establishment and regulation of a Savings' Bank at Moreton Bay.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

16. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Cowper further postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
(2.) The consideration of the Coal Bill in Committee postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Tuesday next.

17. Spring-street Enclosure Bill, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Holroyd then moved, That the title of this Bill be "An Act to authorize the Enclosure and alienation of part of Spring-street, Sydney."

Question put and passed.

18. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Maitland Road Trust Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nieboer, until Friday next.

Council adjourned at half-past four o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1.

Contiguous Notice of Motion.—Dr. Douglas to move (on the Colonial Secretary being called upon to move the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Government business for to-day), That in the opinion of this House all sums required for the purpose of making City Improvements—the amount of which would be in excess of the rate at present levied, namely one shilling in the pound,—ought to be raised by loan, the interest thereof to be secured on City Rates.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the expediency of reporting to the House a Resolution to the effect following, viz.;—

"That the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Victoria, No. 33, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings in the pound, for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property."

2. The Colonial Secretary to move for leave to bring in a Bill for applying certain sums raised or to be raised under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853, and the Sydney Water Act of 1853, for the years 1854 and 1855.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 42, with Gunpowder Exportation Bill.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6.

1. Dr. Lang to move.—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a tram-road between that point and the great south-western bend of the
the Murray River, in latitude 34° south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita,—to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of the north-westward, the only new direction in which it now presents its face,—and to the opening up of a commerce of incalculable value between all these Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.

(2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without pecuniary risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it, on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.

(3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equidistant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

2. Mr. MORRIS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

3. Mr. MORRIS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed, on the 1st August, 1854, to "inquire and report whether any measures can be "adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called Scab," and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose to the Council a Bill to authorize an assessment upon all sheep in the Colony, in accordance with the recommendations contained in that Report.

4. Mr. NICHOLLS to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House:

- A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a numerical one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurseriesmen or private individuals.

5. Mr. NICHOLLS to move, That the 50th and 51st standing orders be suspended for the purpose of presenting petitions for leave to bring in the following Bills, viz.:

- A Bill to incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.
- A Bill to incorporate the Pymouth Bridge Company.
- A Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

6. Mr. PARKES to move,—

(1.) That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd Instant, in favor of a Public Grammar School, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on Education.

(2.) That it be an instruction to that Committee to take the subject of the Petition into immediate consideration, and report thereon at an early date.

7. Mr. HESTER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Government and Mr. Hynesinh Macquoid, in reference to the defalcations of the late Mr. Sheriff Macquoid.

8. Mr. Conroy to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.
2. Mainland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. DARVALL to move, That the Fourth Napier Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

2. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—

(1.) That it is expedient, as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 82, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.

(2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted upon well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.

(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

ORDERS
No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
City Rates:—The Colonial Secretary being called upon to move the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, Dr. Douglass withdrew his Contingent motion, intimating his intention to move it by way of amendment in Committee should the Council go into Committee upon the Colonial Secretary’s motion.—The Colonial Secretary then moved, pursuant to notice, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the expediency of reporting to the House a Resolution to the effect following, viz.:—“That the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, appointed under the Act, 17 Victoria, No. 53, shall and may levy a rate of three shillings per annum for the general purposes of the said City, for the half-year from 1st July to 31st December, 1854; such rate to be computed on the existing valuation of City property.”
Question put and passed:—Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution:—That this Committee is of opinion that it is inexpedient to report to the House any Resolution to the effect of the proposed Resolution Committee to them.

2. Bulga Mountain Road:—Dr. Douglass presented a Petition from certain Graziers, Butchers, and Cattle Dealers of the Hunter River and Northern Districts of New South Wales, representing the dangerous state of this Mountain Road, and the difficulties and delays it opposes to the travelling of Sheep and Cattle for the Sydney Market, and praying relief.
Petition received.

3. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill:—The Colonial Secretary moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for applying certain sums raised or to be raised under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853, and the Sydney Water Act of 1853, for the Years 1854 and 1855.
Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconders prepare and bring in the Bill.

4. Postponements:—
(1.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until this day week.
(2.) The third reading of the Gold Fields’ Management Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Friday next.

5. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill:—The Colonial Secretary having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, “A Bill for applying certain sums raised or to be raised under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853, and the Sydney Water Act of 1853, for the service of the Years 1854 and 1855,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.

6. Gunpowder Exportation Bill:—The Governor General’s Message, No. 42, received with this Bill on the 29th ultimo, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, “A Bill to prevent the shipment of Gunpowder or other explosive materials, without due notification thereof,” read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

7. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 31, 32, and 44.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
Council adjourned at ten minutes before Ten o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, October 5.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Message Nos. 30, 33, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Dr. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition presented by him yesterday, in reference to the dangerous state of the Bulga Mountain Road, be printed.

FRIDAY, October 6.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Dr. LARK to move—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a trans-road between that point and the great south-western bend of the Murray River, in latitude 34° south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita, to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of colonization to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable,—and to the opening up of a commerce of incalculable value between all these Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.
   (2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without lessening risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaged in it, on the principle of devolving one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.
   (3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equi-distance from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are equally interested in the object.

2. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

3. Mr. Norham to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed, on the 1st August, 1854, to "inquire and report whether any measures can be "adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called Scab," and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose to the Council a Bill to authorize an assessment upon all sheep in the Colony, in accordance with the recommendations contained in that Report.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House—
   A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nonpareil, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurseriesmen or private individuals.

5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the 50th and 51st standing orders be suspended for the purpose of presenting petitions for leave to bring in the following Bills, viz.:
   A Bill to incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.
   A Bill to incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.
   A Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Watervale Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

6. Mr. Parker to move,—
   (1.) That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd Instant, in favor of a Public Grammar School, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on Education.
   (2.) That it be an instruction to that Committee to take the subject of the Petition into immediate consideration, and report thereon at an early date.

7. Mr. Holroyd to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Government and Mr. Hysching Macquoid, in reference to the depositions of the late Mr. Sheriff Macquoid.

8. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

9. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas L. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.
2. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

TUESDAY

1. Gold Fields Management Bill; third reading
NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. DARWALL to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

2. Mr. JAMES MACARTHY to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

3. Mr. DARWALL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the Council all the correspondence between the Parramatta Police Magistrate and Bench of Magistrates, their Chief Constable, the Inspector General of Police, and the Government, relative to Constable Sadler's claim for increased pay for length of service and good conduct.

4. Mr. DARWALL to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this Council, the salary of the future Governor of this Colony ought to be £7,000 per annum, from the date of his arrival; and that it ought not to depend in any way upon the adoption by the British Parliament of the New South Wales Constitution Act.
   (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Sydney Soverage and Water Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Gunpowder Exportsation Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. DARWALL to move,—
   (1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
   (2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
   (3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confound upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the new existing Local Legislature.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Reports from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 1st August last. Ordered to be printed.

2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5; with Messages Nos. 30, 33, and 44. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

3. Bulga Mountain Road.—Dr. Douglass moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Petition presented by him yesterday in reference to the dangerous state of this Road, be referred to the Select Committee on Roads and Railways. Question put and passed. Council adjourned at five minutes after Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIYDAY, OCTOBER 6.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Dr. LANG to move,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a telegraph between that point and the great south-western bend of the Murray River, in latitude 34th south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita,—to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of colonisation to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable,—and to the opening up of a commerce of incalculable value between all these Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.

(2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without pecuniary risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it, on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.

(3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equi-distant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

2. Mr. Mount to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

3. Mr. Morris to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed, on the 1st August, 1854, to "inquire and report whether any measures can be adopted to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called Scab," and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose to the Council a Bill to authorize an assessment upon all sheep in the Colony, in accordance with the recommendations contained in that Report.

4. Mr. Nichols to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House,—A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurserymen or private individuals.
5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the 50th and 31st standing orders be suspended for the purpose of presenting petitions for leave to bring in the following Bills, viz.:
   A Bill to incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.
   A Bill to incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.
   A Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

6. Mr. Parker to move,—
   (1.) That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd Instant, in favor of a Public Grammar School, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on Education.
   (2.) That it be an instruction to that Committee to take the subject of the Petition into immediate consideration, and report thereon at an early date.

7. Mr. Holmoyd to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Government and Mr. Hyacinth Macquoid, in reference to the defacations of the late Mr. Sheriff Macquoid.

8. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

9. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas L. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

10. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of Spirit Merchants whose names have been registered as sellers of fermented and Spirituous Liquors in quantities above two gallons, in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Council, 13 Victoria, No. 27, from the 1st of January, 1854, to the 1st of October, 1854.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; second reading.
2. Midland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Field's Management Bill; third reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.
2. Mr. James Macartney to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, at as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearers, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearers, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.
3. Mr. Darwall to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the Council all the correspondences between the Parramatta Police Magistrate and Bench of Magistrates, their Chief Constable, the Inspector General of Police, and the Government, relative to Constable Sadler's claim for increased pay for length of service and good conduct.
4. Mr. Darwall to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this Council, the salary of the future Governor of this Colony ought to be £7,000 per annum, from the date of his arrival; and that it ought not to depend in any way upon the adoption by the British Parliament of the New South Wales Constitution Act.
   (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.
5. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

6.
6. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a sum not exceeding £500 be inserted in the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1854, for the purpose of carrying out such improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the sum already proposed for that service.

2. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible moment.
   (2.) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repealed statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for themselves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are desirous to be allowed to revisit their native land.
   (3.) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, 6 Victoria, cap. 7, are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.
   (4.) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to these shores, or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of conditional pardons should be granted to those who have received the latter boon, and who, although enjoying every privilege of free citizens here, are, nevertheless, by a stern restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.
   (5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency to submit the foregoing resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to recommend for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty the expediency of authorising the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty's name, absolute pardons to such persons as now hold conditional pardons.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Darvall to move,—
   (1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
   (2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
   (3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON
Speaker.
FRIDAY, 6 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Mimi and Hoaham Railway Bill:—Dr. Douglass, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 5th ultimo. Ordered to be printed.

2. Proposed Settlement and Train-road,—Gulf of Carpentaria:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the formation of a settlement on the banks of the navigable river at the head of the Gulf of Carpentaria, and the construction of a train-road between that point and the great south-western bend of the Murray River, in latitude 34° south, would prove eminently conducive to the speedy exploration of a large portion of this terra incognita,—to the indefinite extension and development of the pastoral interests of Australia,—to the rapid progress of colonization to the north-westward, the only new direction in which it is now practicable,—and to the opening up of a commerce of inestimable value between all these Australian colonies and the numerous rich and populous islands of the Indian Archipelago.

(2.) That, in the opinion of this House, this great object might be accomplished without pecuniary risk or loss of any kind to the parties engaging in it; on the principle of devoting one-half of the proceeds of all sales of land within a limited distance of the route, to the purposes of immigration, and the other half to the construction of the road.

(3.) That the three colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, being all virtually equi-distant from the Gulf of Carpentaria by the route indicated, are all equally interested in the object.

Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.

3. Postponement:—Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for today, until Tuesday next.

4. Sheep in Sheep:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council appointed, on the 1st August, 1854, to inquire "and report whether any measures can be adopted, to arrest the spread of the disease in sheep called Scab," and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose to the Council a Bill to authorize an assessment upon all sheep in the Colony, in accordance with the recommendations contained in that Report.

Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Nicholls postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for today, until Friday next.

6. Suspension of 50th and 51st Standing Orders:—Mr. Nicholls moved, pursuant to notice, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended for the purpose of presenting petitions for leave to bring in the following Bills, viz.:
A Bill to incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.
A Bill to incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.
A Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

7. Grammar or High School: Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd instant, in favor of a Public Grammar School, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on Education.

(2.) That it be an instruction to that Committee to take the subject of the Petition into immediate consideration, and report thereon at an early date.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
8. The late Sheriff Macquoid.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Government and Mr. Haydnth Macquoid, in reference to the defalcations of the late Mr. Sheriff Macquoid. 

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. Education.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, respectfully requesting that the recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Education Committee may be carried into effect.

Question put and passed.

10. Postponement.—Mr. Murray postponed the motion standing in his name ninth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

11. Spirit Merchants.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a nominal Return of Spirit Merchants registered as selling Fermented and Spirituous Liquors, in quantities above two galls., in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Council, 13 Victoria, No. 26, from the 1st of January, 1852, to the 1st of October, "1854."

Debate ensued.

The Attorney General moved, That the Question be amended by adding, after the figures "1854," at the end, the words "and also the names of all Importers of Spirits during the same period."

Debate continued.

Question put.—That the words proposed to be added after the figures 

"1854," at the end of the question, be so added.

Council divided.

Ayes, 22. 

The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, The Solicitor General, The Attorney General, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, The Postmaster General, Mr. Murray, Mr. Flood, Captain King, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Debin, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Barker, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Martin, Mr. Park, Mr. Holroyd, The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Parker, Dr. Douglas, The Auditor General, } Tellers.

Noes, 4.

Mr. W. Bowman, Mr. Thibow, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Parkes, } Tellers.

Whereupon Question, as so amended, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a nominal Return of Spirit Merchants registered as selling Fermented and Spirituous Liquors in quantities above two galls., in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Council, 13 Victoria, No. 26, from the 1st of January, 1852, to the 1st of October, 1854; and also the names of all Importers of Spirits during the same period—put and passed.

12. Campbelltown Water Commissioners Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

13. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Maitland Road Trust Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

14. Gold Fields Management Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the title of this Bill be "An Act to continue the Acts for regulating the management of the Gold Fields."

Question put and passed.

15. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committees of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 38 and 44, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

Council adjourned at a quarter after Eight o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Threes o'clock.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. DARVALL to move, That the Parramatta Npean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

2. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, at an early period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principles of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

3. Mr. DARVALL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the Council all the correspondence between the Parramatta Police Magistrate and Bench of Magistrates, their Chief Constable, the Inspector General of Police, and the Government, relative to Constable Sidler's claim for increased pay for length of service and good conduct.

4. Mr. DARVALL to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this Council, the salary of the future Governor of this Colony ought to be £7,000 per annum, from the date of his arrival; and that it ought not to depend in any way upon the adoption by the British Parliament of the New South Wales Constitution Act.
   (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

5. Mr. MURRAY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

6. Mr. COWPER to move, That the Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

7. Mr. MORRIS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effecual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

8. Mr. MORRIS to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, all sheep in the Colony of New South Wales which are, or may hereafter be, infected with the disease known as Scab, shall be destroyed, as being the only means by which that disease can be effectually eradicated; and that the owners of sheep so diseased should be compelled by law to carry such destruction into effect.
   (2.) That the owners of scabby sheep should be compensated for the compulsory destruction of their stock, by receiving the sum of four shillings for each sheep or lamb over six months of age so destroyed.
   (3.) That a Fund for compensating the owners of scabby sheep should be raised by an assessment for one year, of £2 per thousand upon all the sheep and lambs within the Colony; but should such assessment be found insufficient, it should be continued for another year.
   (4.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary Bills for giving effect to the foregoing resolutions be brought down to this House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Mainland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill; second reading.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 38, and 44; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a sum not exceeding £600 be inserted in the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1854, for the purpose of carrying out such improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the sum already proposed for that service.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move,—
   (1) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible moment.
   (2) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repeated statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for themselves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are desirous to be allowed to revisit their native land.
   (3) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, 6 Victoria, cap. 7, are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.
   (4) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to these shores, or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of conditional pardons should be granted to those who have received the latter boon, and who, although enjoying every privilege of free denizens here, are, nevertheless, by a stern restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.
   (5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency to submit the foregoing resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to recommend for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty the expediency of authorising the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty's name, absolute pardons to each person as now hold conditional pardons.

3. Dr. Douglas to move, That the Mimmii and Hoxham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to come to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurserymen or private individuals.

5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

6. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas L. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darwall to move,—
   (1) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
   (2) That if this Act shall unprofitably become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
   (3) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Legislative Council.
   (4) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read—

(1.) Building Bill:

CH↑ A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Vict. cap. 70 the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill for regulating the construction of Buildings and Party-walls, and for preventing mischief by Fire in the City of Sydney; and to repeal certain former Acts relating thereto."

Government House,
Sydney, 10 October, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

(2.) Fire Brigade Bill:

CH↑ A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 70, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill for the formation and regulation of a Fire Brigade, and to authorize the destruction of buildings with a view to prevent the extension of Fires within the City of Sydney."

Government House
Sydney 10 October 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.

(3.) Paris Exhibition:

CH↑ A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the copy of a communication made to the Government on behalf of the Paris Exhibition Commissioners for New South Wales, in which it is represented that the sum of three thousand pounds already voted for the purposes of the Commission, notwithstanding the utmost watchfulness in its expenditure, does not suffice to meet all the requirements of the Commission—His Excellency therefore, with the advice of the Executive Council, invites the Legislative Council to appropriate the further sum of three thousand pounds as requested by the Commissioners.

Government House,
Sydney, 10 October, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Communication, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

(4.) Weights and Measures Bill:

CH↑ A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap. 75, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Act passed in the year 1852 relating to Weights and Measures."

Government House,
Sydney 10 October 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.
2. Postponements:
(1) Mr. Darwall postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(2) Mr. Murray, on behalf of Mr. James Macarthur, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. James Macarthur second on the Notice for to-day, until Friday, the 20th of October.
3. Constable Sadlier—Parramatta:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the Council all the correspondence between the Parramatta Police Magistrate and Bench of Magistrates, their Chief Constable, the Inspector General of Police, and the Government, relative to Constable Sadlier's claim for increased pay for length of service and good conduct.
Debate ceased. Question put and passed.
4. Salary of the future Governor:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
(1) That in the opinion of this Council, the salary of the future Governor of this Colony ought to be £7,000 per annum, from the date of his arrival.
(2) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.
Debate ceased.
Mr. Martin moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question by leave withdrawn.
Original Question by leave withdrawn.
5. Postponements:
(1) Mr. Murray postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
(2) Mr. Cooper postponed the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
(3) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
6. Scab in Sheep:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
(1) That, in the opinion of this Council, all sheep in the Colony of New South Wales which are, or may hereafter be, infected with the disease known as Scab, should be destroyed, as being the only means by which that disease can be effectually eradicated; and that the owners of sheep so diseased should be compelled by law to carry such destruction into effect.
(2) That the owners of scabby sheep should be compensated for the compulsory destruction of their stock, by receiving the sum of four shillings for each sheep or lamb over six months of age so destroyed.
(3) That a Fund for compensating the owners of scabby sheep should be raised by an assessment for one year, of £2 per thousand upon all the sheep and lambs within the Colony; but should such assessment be found insufficient, it should be continued for another year.
(4) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary Bill for giving effect to the second and third of the foregoing Resolutions, be brought down to this House.
Debate ceased.
Mr. Murray moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Notice being taken that there was not a quorum of Members present, the House was counted, and there not being eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker adjourned the Council at five minutes after Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
2. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Opium and Opium Exportation Bill; second reading.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 45, with the Building Bill.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—
1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 46, with Fire Brigade Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.

FRIDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION —

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a sum not exceeding £500 be inserted in the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1854, for the purpose of carrying out such improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the sum already proposed for that service.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible moment.
(2.) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repealed statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for themselves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are destitute to be allowed to revisit their native land.
(3.) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, 6 Vict., cap. 7, are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.
(4.) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to these shores, or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of conditional pardons should be granted to those who have received the latter boon, and who, although enjoying every privilege of free citizens here, are, nevertheless, by a stern restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.
(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency to submit the foregoing resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to recommend for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty the expediency of authorising the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty's name, absolute pardons to such persons as now hold conditional pardons.

3. Mr. Nolans to move, That the Miami and Haham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurserymen or private individuals.

5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

6. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas L. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

7. Mr. Darwall to move,—

(1.) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £8,524 1s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
(2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

8. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

9. Mr. Copper to move, That the Pitt Bay Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darwall to move,—
   (1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
   (2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
   (3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisors, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

2. Mr. Darwall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

3. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, at as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 82, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearers, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearers, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, until to-morrow.
2. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman brought up the Bill, and reported the following Resolution:—That this Committee is of opinion that it is inexpedient to proceed any further with the consideration of the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill until it shall have been submitted to a Select Committee for its consideration and report.
Mr. Martin moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Martin then moved, That a Select Committee of ten Members be appointed accordingly; and that, with the mover, the members of such Committee be the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holden, Captain King, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Parke, and Mr. Thurlow.
Mr. Murray required That the proposed Committee be appointed by Ballot—
Whereupon Question—That a Select Committee of ten Members be appointed to consider and report upon the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill—put and passed.
The Council then proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the mover, the Committee duly appointed, viz.:-Mr. Parke, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Captain King, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Holden, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Allen.
3. Gunpowder Expiration Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council ordered the Adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, and 47.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
5. Postponement:—The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 45, with the Building Bill, postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until to-morrow.
Council adjourned at twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY.—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 46, with Fire Brigade Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
4. Gunpowder Expiration Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 45, with the Building Bill.

FRIDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a sum not exceeding £200 be inserted in the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1854, for the purpose of carrying out such improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the sum already proposed for that service.

2. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible moment.
   (2) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repealed statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for themselves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are desirous to be allowed to revisit their native land.
   (3) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, G Victoria, cap. 7, are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.
   (4) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to these shores, or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of conditional pardons should be granted to those who have served the latter boon, and who, although enjoying every privilege of free denizens here, are, nevertheless, by a stern restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.
   (5) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency to submit the foregoing resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to recommend for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty the expediency of authorising the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty’s name, absolute pardons to such persons as now hold conditional pardons.

3. Dr. Douglas to move, That the Mimi and Hexham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

4. Mr. Nichols to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurserymen or private individuals.

5. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

6. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas I. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

7. Mr. Darwall to move,—
   (1) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £9,924 15s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
   (2) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

8. Mr. Murray to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

9. Mr. Cowper to move, That the Fita Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company’s Bill be now read a second time.

10. Mr. Morris to move,—That the Debate on his motion,—
   "(1) That, in the opinion of this Council, all sheep in the Colony of New South Wales which are, or may hereafter be, infected with the disease known as Scab, should be destroyed, as being the only means by which that disease can be effectually eradicated; and that the owners of sheep so diseased should be compelled by law to carry such destruction into effect,—
   (2) That the owners of scabby sheep should be compensated for the compulsory destruction of their stock, by receiving the sum of four shillings for each sheep or lamb over six months of age so destroyed,—"
(3.) That a Fund for compensating the owners of scabby sheep should be raised by "an assessment for one year of £2 per thousand upon all the sheep and lambs within "the Colony; but should such assessment be found insufficient, it should be contin- "ued for another year;-

(4.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His "Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary Bill for giving effect to the "second and third of the foregoing Resolutions, be brought down to the House,"

which was interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 10th instant, be now resumed.

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

1. Mr. Darvall to move,—

(1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.

(2.) That if this Act shall unconstitutionally become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduc- tion of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.

(3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Par- liament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.

(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

3. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. Mr. James Macartney to move,—

(1.) That it is expedient, as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victo- ria, cap. 42, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.

(2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be insubordinate under well defined conditions and regula- tions to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.

(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 66.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER, 1854.

There being only fifteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—The Inspector General of Police, The Colonial Treasurer, The Auditor General, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Parker, Mr. Allen, The Postmaster General, Mr. Morris, Mr. Barry, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Cowper, The Solicitor General, Captain King, Mr. Holden, and Mr. Park,—the Speaker took the Chair, and adjourned the Council at half-past Three o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a sum not exceeding £500 be inserted in the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1854, for the purpose of carrying out such improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the sum already proposed for that service.

2. Mr. Nicholas to move,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible moment.

(2.) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repealed statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for themselves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are desirous to be allowed to revisit their native land.

(3.) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, 8 Victoria, cap. 7., are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.

(4.) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to these shores, or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of conditional pardons should be granted to those who have received the latter boon, and who, although enjoying every privilege of free citizens here, are, nevertheless, by a stern restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.

(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency to submit the foregoing resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to recommend for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty the expediency of authorising the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty's name, absolute pardons to such persons as now hold conditional pardons.

3. Dr. Douglass to move, That the Mimmi and Hexham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

4. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—A Return of all plants seeds and specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during the last three years, such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and those sent to or received from Nurseries or private individuals.

5. Mr. Nicholas to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.
Mr. Murray to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct Sir Thomas L. Mitchell, Surveyor General, to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

Mr. Darwall to move. —
(1.) That insomuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £9,924 15s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
(2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

Mr. Murray to move. That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

Mr. Cowper to move. That the Pitt Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Morris to move. — That the Debate on his motion.
(1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, all sheep in the Colony of New South Wales which are, or may hereafter be, infected with the disease known as Scab, "should be destroyed, as being the only means by which that disease can be effectually eradicated; and that the owners of sheep so diseased should be compelled by law to carry such destruction into effect,
(2.) That the owners of sickly sheep should be compensated for the compulsory destruction of their stock, by receiving the sum of four shillings for each sheep or lamb over six months of age so destroyed,
(3.) That a Fund for compensating the owners of sickly sheep should be raised by an assessment for one year of £2 per thousand upon all the sheep and lambs within the Colony; but should such assessment be found insufficient, it should be continued for another year,
(4.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary Bill for giving effect to the second and third of the foregoing Resolutions, be brought down to the House, which was interrupted by the Council being called out on the 10th instant, be now resumed.

Orders of the day:
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Mailland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

Tuesday, October 17.

Notices of motion —
1. Mr. Darwall to move. —
(1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
(2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
(3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confide upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.
(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

2. Mr. Darwall to move. That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

3. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

Order of the day: —
1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 46, with Fire Brigade Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
4. Gunpowder Exportation Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1834-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 45, with the Building Bill.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 39, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 13 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Scotts Church Trustees Bill.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report from
and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose
consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 16th July last.
Ordered to be printed.

2. Clergyman's Stipends.—Mr. Holman, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and
laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on
the 20th July last, to consider and report whether any and what means can be
adopted to afford pecuniary assistance to Clergymen of the various denominations
recognized by the Law of the Colony,—it being generally admitted that the stipends
received by them at the present time are inadequate for their support.
Ordered to be printed.

3. Paper.—The Colonial Treasurer laid upon the Table the Report from the Board
appointed to inspect and report upon the Sydney Railway Works.
Ordered to be printed.

4. Hyde Park Improvements.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address
be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased
to cause to be laid upon the Table a Return of all such Expenditure for 1854, for the
purpose of carrying out such Improvements in Hyde Park as cannot be effected by the
sum already proposed for that service.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.

5. Proposed substitution of Absolute for Conditional Pardons.—Mr. Nichols moved,
pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this Council, it is desirable that every vestige of the
former Penal System of New South Wales should be effaced at the earliest possible
moment.
(2.) That there are many persons now in this Colony, free by servitude under
sentences passed upon them in the United Kingdom, under rigorous and now repealed
statutes, who, by industry perseverance and upright conduct, have gained for them-
selves and their families the respect and esteem of all, and who are desirous to be
allowed to revisit their native land.
(3.) That these persons, by the retrospective operation of the Imperial Act, 6 Vic-
toria, cap. 7, are deprived of that absolute freedom to which, from servitude in the
first place, and their subsequent exemplary conduct, they are in every way entitled.
(4.) That, whether as regards the encouragement of free immigration to those shores,
or the abolition of painful class distinctions, it is desirable that absolute in place of
conditional pardons should be granted to those who have received the latter boon, and
who, although enjoying every privilege of free denizens here, are, nevertheless, by a
severed restriction, prohibited from returning to their native country.
(5.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying His Excellency
to submit the foregoing Resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to
recommend, for the gracious consideration of Her Majesty, the expediency of
authorizing the Governor General of this Colony to grant, in Her Majesty's name,
absolute pardons to such persons as now hold conditional pardons.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Address be presented by the Speaker
and the Mover and Seconder.

6. Seab in Sheep.—Mr. Morris presented a Petition from certain Stockholders of New
South Wales, praying the Council to give effect to the recommendations of the Select
Committee appointed to consider and report upon this subject.
Petition received.

7. Postponement.—Dr. Douglass postponed the motion standing in his name third on the
Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

8. Botanic Gardens.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address
be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased
to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—A Return of all plants seeds and
specimens distributed from or received at the Botanic Gardens in Sydney during
the last three years;—such Return to be a nominal one, and to distinguish between
the plants seeds and specimens sent to or received from Public Institutions, and
tose sent to or received from Nurseries or private individuals; and to state the
number of specimens of each class or species either distributed or received.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

9. Postponement.—Mr. Nichols postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the
Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
10. Progress in Roads and Public Works:—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a Report upon the progress which has been made in opening roads and in the construction of public works generally in this Colony during his occupancy of his present office.

Debate ensued.

The Attorney General moved the Previous Question.

Debate continued.

Previous Question put—"Shall this Question be now put?"

Council divided.

Ayes, 15.

Rev. Dr. Lang, Mr. Smart, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Parker, Mr. H. Osborne, Dr. Dougherty, Mr. Flood, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Park, Mr. Martin, Mr. Pinch, Mr. Bligh, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morris, Tellers.

Noes, 11.


Whereupon Original Question put and passed.

11. Postponement:—Mr. Parker, on behalf of Mr. Darvall, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darvall seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

12. Survey Department:—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General to prepare, for the information of this House, a Report upon the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

13. Pitt Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Bill read a second time:—

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council adopted the same and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

14. Seab in Sheep:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Debate on his motion,—

"(1) That, in the opinion of this Council, all sheep in the Colony of New South Wales which are, or may hereafter be, infected with the disease known as Scab, "should be destroyed, as being the only means by which that disease can be "effectually eradicated; and that the owners of such sheep so diseased should be com- "pelled by law to carry such destruction into effect,——

"(2) That the owners of scabby sheep should be compensated for the compulsory "destruction of their stock, by receiving the sum of four shillings for each sheep or "lamb over six months of age so destroyed,——

"(3) That a Fund for compensating the owners of scabby sheep should be raised by "an assessment for one year of £2 per thousand upon all the sheep and lambs within "the Colony; but should such assessment be found insufficient, it should be con- "tinued for another year,——

"(4) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His "Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary Bill for giving effect to the "second and third of the foregoing Resolutions, be brought down to the House,"——

(Upon which Mr. Murray had moved the Previous Question,) which was interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 10th instant, be now resumed.

Question put and passed:—

Whereupon Debate resumed.

Previous Question put—"Shall this Question be now put?"

Council divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Colonial Treasurer, The Attorney General, The Postmaster General, Mr. Parker, Mr. Martin, Captain King, Mr. Leslie, Rev. Dr. Lang, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Parker, Mr. Dubir, Mr. Flood, Mr. Finch, Mr. H. Osborne, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, The Auditor General, Mr. Bligh, The Solicitor General, Inspector General of Police, Tellers.

Noes, 4.

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cowper, Tellers.

Whereupon Original Question put and passed.
15. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Campbelltown Water Commissioners' Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

16. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

NOTES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Darvall to move,—
   (1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in defiance of the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.
   (2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain that confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.
   (3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and as this Council has, in passing this Act, failed to represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, it is expedient and just that the Constitution of the Local Government should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Fourth Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

3. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

4. Mr. Cowper to move,—
   (1.) That the Promoters of the Scots Church Trustees Bill have leave to withdraw it.
   (2.) That the said Bill and all Papers connected therewith, be now discharged from the custody of the Clerk.

5. Mr. Holden to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergyman's Stipends, be now adopted.

6. Mr. Douglas to move, That the Miumi and Hervey Railway Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Fits Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill; third reading.
3. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
5. Maitland Road Trust Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 46, with Fire Brigades Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 45, with Weights and Measures Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
4. Gunpowder Exportation Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 35, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 45, with the Building Bill.

FRIDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION.—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—

(1.) That it is expedient, at as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 82, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.

(2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.

(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

2. Mr. Nicholson to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

3. Mr. Darvall to move,—

(1.) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £2,304 15s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.

(2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

(1). Increased City Rate Bill:—

CHR. A. FITZROY.
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, of 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill initiated "A Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to levy an increased City Rate for the present Year."

Government House
Sydney 17 October 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.

(2). Public Works Loan Bill:—

CHR. A. FITZROY.
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, of 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to authorise the immediate execution of certain Public Works of a permanent character, by means of Loans secured upon the General Revenues of the Colony."

Government House,
Sydney, 17 October, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

2. Constitution Bill:—Mr. Darrell moved, pursuant to a preceding motion:—

(1.) That the New South Wales Constitution Act, sent home for the consideration of the British Parliament, was passed by this Council in opposition to the wishes of a large majority of the Colonists, who desire, as the basis of their future Local Government, a representative legislature, and a just distribution of the elective franchise.

(2.) That if this Act shall unhappily become law, the Government of the Colony will fail to obtain the confidence of the people without which it cannot be either useful or powerful; and the future welfare and peace of the Colony will be disturbed by the introduction of those changes which can now be effected without difficulty or confusion.

(3.) That it is the manifest desire of Her Majesty's Advisers, and of the Imperial Parliament, to confer upon the Colonists a form of Local Government in accordance with their wants and wishes; and, as this Council, as now constituted, does not represent the opinions of the people of New South Wales, and, is constructed on principles fundamentally opposed to the British Constitution, it is expedient and just, that the Constitution of the Local Government, should be determined by the wisdom of Parliament, and not by the now existing Local Legislature.

(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the information of Her Majesty.

Debate ceased.

Question put.
3. Cook's River Bridge Bill.—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 21st ultimo, together with the Bill as amended in Select Committee. Ordered to be printed.

4. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Darvell postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
(2.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

5. Scots Church Trustees Bill; Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Promoters of the Scots Church Trustees Bill have leave to withdraw it.
(2.) That the said Bill and all Papers connected therewith, be now discharged from the custody of the Clerk.

Question—(1.) That the Promoters of the Scots Church Trustees Bill have leave to withdraw it—put and passed.

Question—(2.) That the said Bill and all Papers connected therewith, be now discharged from the custody of the Clerk—put and passed.

6. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Holden postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(2.) Mr. Parker, on behalf of Dr. Douglass, postponed the motion standing in the name of Dr. Douglass sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(3.) The second reading of the Carter's Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until this day week.

7. Fitzroy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to Establish and "Incorporate a Company to be called The Fitzroy Iron and Coal Mining "Company."

Question put and passed.

8. Postponements:—
(1.) The further consideration in Committee of the Campbelltown Water Commissioners' Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Friday next.
(2.) The consideration in Committee of the Coal Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until this day week.

9. Maitland Road Trust Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nichols the Speaker left the chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the report to stand an order of the day for Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at ten minutes before Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 46, with Fire Brigade Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.
3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 51, with Registration Bill.
4. Gunpowder Exportation Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1844-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 45, with the Building Bill.
7. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 50, with Public Works Loan Bill.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 49, with Increased City Rate Bill.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. James Macartney to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, at as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

2. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

3. Mr. Darvall to move,—
   (1.) That insomuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £5,004 15s. in the promotion of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
   (2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

4. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the Council being counted out on the 18th instant, be restored to the Paper for Tuesday next.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Cook’s River Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

6. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Fourth Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

2. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergymen’s Stipends, be now adopted.

3. Dr. Douglas to move, That the Miami and Haxham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. Carter’s Regulation Bill; second reading.

2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

3. Maitland Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 00.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Fire Brigade Bill.—The Governor-General’s Message No. 46, received with this Bill on the 10th instant, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, “A Bill for the formation and regulation of a Fire “Brigade, and to authorise the destruction of buildings, with a view to prevent the “extension of fires within the City of Sydney,” read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow.

2. Postponements—
(1.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 48, with the Weights and Measures Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until to-morrow.
(2.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, until to-morrow.

3. Gunpowder Exportation Bill Reported.—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council having been adopted, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, and 47.

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

5. Building Bill.—The Governor General’s Message No. 45, received with this Bill on the 17th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled, “A Bill for regulating the construction of Buildings and “Forts—walls, and for preventing mix-kets by fire in the City of Sydney; and to “repeat certain former Acts relating thereto,” read a first time, on motion of the Solicitor General; to be read a second time this day week.

6. Public Works Loan Bill.—The Governor General’s Message No. 50, received with this Bill on the 17th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the accompanying Bill, intituled, “A Bill to authorise the immediate execution of certain “Public Works of a permanent character, by means of Loans secured upon the General “Revenues of the Colony,” read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow.

Council adjourned at twenty minutes before Nine o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 48, with Increased City Rate Bill.
2. Fire Brigade Bill; second reading.
3. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.
4. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.
5. Gunpowder Exportation Bill; third reading.
6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.
7. Public Works Loan Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, as early a period as may be practicable, to adopt in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 82, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
   (3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of promissory Notes to bear, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue henceforth established.
   (4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to bear, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1858, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honourable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

3. Mr. Darvall to move,—
   (1.) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £9,524 15s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the property of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
   (2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Suspending Abolition Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the Council being counted out on the 13th instant, be restored to the Paper for Tuesday next.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

6. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

Tuesday, October 31.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. Mr. Meehin to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.
2. Mr. Holker to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergymen's Stipends, be now adopted.
3. Dr. Douglass to move, That the Minmi and Hexham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Matilda Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

Wednesday, October 25.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Building Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Increased City Rate Bill.—The Governor General's Message No. 49, received with this Bill on the 17th instant, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to levy an increased City Rate for the present year," read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

2. Postponements:—
   (1.) The second reading of the Fire Brigade Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until Wednesday next.
   (2.) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 48, with the Weights and Measures Bill, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
   (3.) The consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 37, with the Registration Bill, postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until to-morrow.

3. Gunpowder Exportation Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.
   The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to prevent the shipment or delivery of Gunpowder and other explosive materials, and of 'Virado,' or other such Mineral Acids, without due notification thereof;" Question put and passed.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimates and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 39, 42, 44, and 47. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

5. Public Works Loan Bill:—The Colonial Treasurer moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.
   Bill read a second time.
   The Colonial Treasurer then moved, That this Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Barker, the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. James Macarthur, Mr. Martin, The Inspector General of Police, and The Auditor General: Question put and passed.

Council adjourned at Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That it is expedient, at an early period, as may be practicable, to adopt, in this Colony the leading principle of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 7th, and 8th Victoria, cap. 32, by which the issue of Notes is placed under the control of the State, and separated from the ordinary business of Banking.
   (2.) That it is expedient, for the purpose of applying that principle in this Colony, that a Public Bank of Issue should be instituted under well defined conditions and regulations to be established by law, and under the management of Commissioners not dependent on the Executive.
(3.) That it is expedient to prohibit by law the issue in this Colony of Promissory Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, by any Bank other than such Public Bank of Issue to be hereafter established.

(4.) That it is expedient to provide by law that such Banks in this Colony as now issue Notes to Bearer, payable on demand, may continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and limitations as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

2. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

3. Mr. Darvall to move,—

(1.) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £20,624 15s. In the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.

(2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.

4. Mr. Nichols to move, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the Council being counted out on the 15th instant, be restored to the Paper for Tuesday next.

5. Mr. Holroyd to move, That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

6. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

7. Mr. Thurlow to move,—

(1.) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased—that of the Police Magistrate to £600, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £600.

(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 37, with Registration Bill.

3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 35, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Norris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.

2. Mr. Holden to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergymen's Stipends, be now adopted.

3. Dr. Douglas to move, That the Nimbin and Herkham Railway Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.

2. Cool Bill; to be considered in Committee.

3. Maitland Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Building Bill; second reading.

2. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.

3. Fire Brigade Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
FRIDAY, 20 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the Merthyr Shipping and Exports adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 22nd August last.
(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to Barristers and Attorneys adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 22nd ultimo.
Ordered to be printed.

2. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. James Macartthur withdrew the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day.

3. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols second on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(2.) Mr. Parker, on behalf of Mr. Darrell, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Darrell third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(3.) Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Nichols fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(4.) Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Holroyd, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Holroyd fifth on the Notice Paper, until after the Orders of the Day shall have been disposed of.
(5.) Mr. Parker, on behalf of Mr. Darrell, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Darrell sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(6.) Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Thurlow, postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Thurlow seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(7.) The further consideration in Committee of the Campbell Town Water Commissioners' Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Egan, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

5. The consideration of the Governor General's Message, No. 48, with the Weights and Measures Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Wednesday next.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 36, 53, 44, and 47.

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

5. Registration Bill:—The Governor General's Message, No. 37, received with this Bill on the 6th ultimo, having been read, on motion of the Attorney General, the accompanying Bill, intituled "A Bill for Registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, in the Colony of New South Wales," read a first time; to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

6. Postponement:—Mr. Holroyd further postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at ten minutes after Five o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Morris to move for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep.
2. Mr. Holdens to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergymen's Suspends, be now adopted.
3. Dr. Douglas to move, That the Miami and Herkham Railway Bill be now read a second time.
4. The Colonial Treasurer to move, That the Sydney Railway Company's Bill be now read a second time.
5. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1858, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.
6. Mr. Darvall to move,—
   (1.) That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £9,024 1fs. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.
   (2.) That with this object the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to include in the Supplementary Estimate for 1854 the above sum, or such other amount as may seem to His Excellency to meet the justice of the case.
7. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the Council being counted out on the 15th instant, be restored to the Paper for Friday next.
8. Mr. Darvall to move, That the Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill be now read a second time.
9. Mr. Theblow to move,—
   (1.) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased,—that of the Police Magistrate to £600, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £100.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1858.
10. Mr. Holiday to move, That the Cook's River Bridge Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.
2. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Mainland Road Trust Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
4. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Registration Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Building Bill; second reading.
2. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.
3. Fire Brigade Bill; second reading.
4. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 48, with Weights and Measures Bill.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 38, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog District, and Mr. Henry Carrielad, respecting the withdrawal from public auction of 115 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May, last.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Port Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Post stationed there.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the following documents, viz.:—
   (1.) The Charter of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands, dated 9th March, 1820.
   (2.) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831, appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.
   (3.) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1833, dissolving the Corporation.
   (4.) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 35th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.
   (5.) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 10th June, 1831, and 10th December, 1832, respecting the Church and School Lands.
   (6.) A Letter dated 18th November, 1831, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defending the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
TUESDAY, 24 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Assent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—
   (1.) Gold Fields Management Bill.
   (2.) Spring-street Escolaire Bill.

3. Scab in Sheep Bill:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep. Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

4. Clergyman's Stipends:—Mr. Holden moved, pursuant to notice, That the Report from the Select Committee on Clergyman's Stipends be now adopted. Debate ensued. Mr. Morris moved the Previous Question. Debate continued. Mr. Nichols moved, That the Debate be adjourned until this day week. Question put on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until this day week. Council divided.

Ayes, 10.
The Attorney General, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Park, Mr. Smart, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Morris, Mr. Barker, Mr. Cowper, Tellers.

Noes, 20.
The Colonial Treasurer, The Colonial Secretary, Captain King, Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Parker, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Allen, Revd. Dr. Lang, Mr. Egan, Mr. Berry, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Finch, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, The Auditor General, The Solicitor General, The Postmaster General, The Inspector General of Police, Tellers.
Mr. Holden.

Debate continued. Previous Question put,—"Shall this Question be now put?" Council divided.

Ayes, 19.
The Colonial Secretary, The Attorney General, The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Barker, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Berry, Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Finch, The Postmaster General, Mr. Parker, Dr. Douglass, Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Allen, The Auditor General, The Solicitor General, Captain King, The Colonial Treasurer, Tellers.

Noes, 11.
Mr. Flood, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Thurlow, Revd. Dr. Lang, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Morris, Tellers.

Whereupon
Whereupon Original Question put. Council divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Flood, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Thurlow, Revd. Dr. Lang, Mr. Cowper, Tellers.

Mr. Holdem then moved, with consent, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of the Report now adopted, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the requisite measures be taken to give effect to the recommendations therein contained.

Question put and passed.

5. Miami and Hexham Railway Bill:—Dr. Douglass moved, pursuant to notice, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time:

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Douglass, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Thursday next.

6. Postponement:—The Colonial Treasurer postponed the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

7. Claim of Mr. Wm. Brooks:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, appointed on the 1st day of July, 1853, and re-appointed during the present Session, to take into consideration the claims of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with his recommendation that justice may be done to Mr. William Brooks, in the manner set forth in the Report of the Select Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

8. The Sydney Gold Escort Company:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to notice, That inasmuch as the Sydney Gold Escort Company commenced their undertaking upon the understanding that in the event of their sustaining a loss they would be either partly or wholly indemnified at the public expense, and as the Company have sustained a loss of £20,524 15s. in the prosecution of their enterprise, it is just that the propriety of their indemnification should be considered by this Council.

Question put and passed.

9. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the Council being counted out on the 15th instant, be restored to the Paper for Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

10. Parramatta Bridge Bill:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to notice, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time:

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Darwall, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adaption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

11. Postponement:—Mr. Thurlow postponed the motion standing in his name ninth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

12. Cook's River Bridge Bill:—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed:

Bill read a second time; to be considered in Committee on Friday next.

13. Postponements:—

(1) The second reading of the Carter's Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

(2)
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Wednesday, October 25.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Building Bill; second reading.
2. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.
3. Fire Brigade Bill; second reading.
4. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 46, with Weights and Measures Bill.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 80, 85, 44 and 47; to be further considered in Committee.

Other Business—Notice of Motion:

1. Mr. Leet to move, That the 46th Standing Order be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition from the Constabulary of Brisbane, Moreton Bay, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief.

Thursday, October 26.

Government Business—Order of the Day:

1. Registration Bill; second reading.

Other Business—Order of the Day:

1. Murr and Hexham Railway Bill; third reading.

Friday, October 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog District, and Mr. Henry Carnichael, respecting the withdrawal from public sale of 115 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May, last.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Pors Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Punt stationed there.
3. The Colonial Treasurer to move, That the Sydney Railway Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

Tuesday,
NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following documents, viz.:

(1.) The Charter of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands, dated 9th March, 1836.
(2.) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831, appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.
(3.) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1888, dissolving the Corporation.
(4.) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 35th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.
(5.) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 16th June, 1831, and 19th December, 1882, respecting the Church and School Lands.
(6.) A Letter dated 18th November, 1881, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defending the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement.

2. Mr. Thurlow to move,—

(1.) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased;—that of the Police Magistrate to £500, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £200.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; Resumption of the Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols—"That this Bill be now read a second time"—which was interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 13th instant.
2. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Mainland Road Trust Bill; third reading.
4. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 25 October, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undenominated Papers:
(1.) Correspondence in reference to the Sydney University and the Endowment of Colleges in affiliation therewith.
(2.) The Return to the Address in reference to Revenue and Expenditure at Moreton Bay, adopted, on motion of Mr. Leslie, on the 25th August last.
(3.) The Return to the Address in reference to Registered Spirit Merchants, adopted, on motion of Mr. Nicholls, on the 6th instant.
Ordered to be printed.

2. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:
(1.) Mr. Benjamin Boyd:
CHR. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.
Statements having been made to the effect that Mr. Benjamin Boyd, who was reported to have perished at the hands of the Natives of Guadalcanal Island, is still on that Island, the Governor General has determined to dispatch a Vessel for the purpose of inquiring into the truth of those statements, and of rescuing Mr. Boyd if he be still alive.
His Excellency therefore invites the Council to vote on the additional supplementary Estimates for this Year, the sum of One thousand pounds 'to meet the probable expenses of the expedition'.

Governor House,
Sydney, 25 October, 1854.
Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

(2.) Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:
CHR. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.
In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 6 and 7 Victoria cap 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill, intitled "A Bill to provide for the partial endowment of Affiliated Colleges within the University of Sydney."

Governor House,
Sydney, 25 October, 1854.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

3. Building Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General,—Mr. Nicholls moved, That this Bill be now referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Allen, Mr. Barker, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Egan, Mr. Flood, The Solicitor General, and Mr. Parke.
Question put and passed.

4. Increased City Rate Bill:—The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
The Solicitor General then moved, That the second reading of this Bill be postponed until Wednesday next.
Question put and passed.

5. Postponement:—The second reading of the Fire Brigade Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until to-morrow.

6. Weights and Measures Bill:—The Governor-General's Message No. 48, received with this Bill on the 10th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the Act passed in the year 1852, relating to Weights and Measures," read a first time; to be read a second time this day week.
7. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47 and 51. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

8. Proposed Suspension of 49th Standing Order:—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, that the 49th Standing Order be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition from the Constabulary of Brisbane, Moreton Bay, representing the insufficiency of their pay, and praying relief. Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

Council adjourned at five minutes after Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Registration Bill; second reading.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 52, with Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill.
3. Fire Brigade Bill; second reading.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Minmi and Hexham Railway Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog District, and Mr. Henry Carmichael, respecting the withdrawal from public auction of 115 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May, last.

2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Post Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Funk stationed there.

3. The COLONIAL TREASURER to move, That the Sydney Railway Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following documents, viz.:—

(1.) The Charter of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands, dated 9th March, 1836.
(2.) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831; appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.
(3.) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1833, dissolving the Corporation.
(4.) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 30th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.
(5.) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 16th June, 1831, and 10th December, 1832, respecting the Church and School Lands.
(6.) A Letter dated 18th November, 1831, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defining the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement.

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2. Mr. Thurlow to move,—
   (1.) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of
   the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased;—that of
   the Police Magistrate to £2000, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £1000.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His
   Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective
   increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; Resumption of the Debate on the
   motion of Mr. Nichols—"That this Bill be now read a second time"—which was
   interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 18th instant.
2. Carter's Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Mainland Road Trust Bill; third reading.
4. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.
2. Weights and Measures Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHR. A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria cap 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill, intituled "A Bill to establish and Incorporate a Savings' Bank for the District of Moreton Bay."

Government House, Sydney, 20 October, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

2. Immigration:—Mr. James Macarthur, as Chairman, brought up a second Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed; on the 27th June last, to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony—together with the Assisted Immigration Bill referred to them on the 26th ultimo, as amended in Select Committee.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Registration Bill:—The Attorney General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. 

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time:

Whereupon, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

4. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:—The Governor General's Message, No. 62, received with this Bill yesterday, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to provide for the partial endowment of Affiliated Colleges within the University of Sydney," ordered to be read a first time to-morrow.

5. Fire Brigade Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year, 1854-5, with Messages No. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51.

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

7. Miami and Herasham Railway Bill, on motion of Dr. Douglas, read a third time, and passed.

Dr. Douglas then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to authorize the continuation of a Railway from Miami to Herasham."

Question put and passed.

Council adjourned at five minutes before Eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog District, and Mr. Henry Carmichael, respecting the withdrawal from public auction of 115 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May, last.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Post Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Punt stationed there.

3. The Colonial Treasurer to move, That the Sydney Railway Company's Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 58, with Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill.
2. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; first reading.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following documents, viz.:
   (1.) The Charter of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands, dated 9th March, 1826.
   (2.) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831, appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.
   (3.) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1835, dissolving the Corporation.
   (4.) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 30th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.
   (5.) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 16th June, 1831, and 15th December, 1832, respecting the Church and School Lands.
   (6.) A Letter dated 18th November, 1831, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defending the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement.

2. Mr. Threlfall to move:
   (1.) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased—that of the Police Magistrate to £600, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £600.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1856.

3. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following documents, viz.:
   (1.) The Specification of the works to be performed at the Circular Quay, under Edmund Walcott, Esq.
   (2.) The Letters of Instruction from the Colonial Secretary to the Board of Inspection appointed to report upon the Railway works, dated respectively the 16th and 18th of July last.

4. Mr. Lenox to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House, such relief to the Chief, District, and Ordinary Constables of the Towns of Brisbane and Ipswich, as to His Excellency may seem necessary to meet the increased expenses of living in those remote portions of the Territory.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; Resumption of the Debate on the motion of Mr. Nicole—"That this Bill be now read a second time"—which was interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 13th instant.
2. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Mail and Road Trust Bill; third reading.
4. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Increased Clay Rate Bill; second reading.
2. Weights and Measures Bill; second reading.
3. Registration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, October 31.

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following documents, viz.:
   (2) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831, appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.
   (3) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1832, dissolving the Corporation.
   (4) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 35th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.
   (5) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 16th June, 1831, and 19th December, 1832, respecting the Church and School Lands.
   (6) A Letter dated 19th November, 1831, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defending the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement.

2. Mr. Thurkill to move, —
   (1) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased — that of the Police Magistrate to £600, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £600.
   (2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855.

3. Mr. Flood to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the following documents, viz.:
   (1) The Specification of the works to be performed at the Circular Quay, under Edward Wallis, Esq.
   (2) The Letters of Instruction from the Colonial Secretary to the Board of Inspection appointed to report upon the Railway works, dated respectively the 16th and 18th July last.

4. Mr. Leslie to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House, such relief to the Chief, District, and Ordinary Constables of the Towns of Brisbane and Ipswich, as to His Excellency may seem necessary to meet the increased expenses of living in those remote portions of the Territory.

5. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog Districts, and Mr. Henry Carmichael, respecting the withdrawal from public auction of 115 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May last.

6. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Port Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Punt stationed there.

7. The Colonial Treasurer to move, That the Sydney Railway Company's Bill be now read a second time.
ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; Resumption of the Debate on the
   motion of Mr. Nichols—"That this Bill be now read a second time"—which was
   interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 13th instant.
2. Carters' Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Maitland Road Trust Bill; third reading.
4. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
6. Cook's River Bridge Bill; to be considered in Committee.
7. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.
2. Weights and Measures Bill; second reading.
3. Registration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 53, with Moreton Bay Savings' Bank
   Bill.
6. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; first reading.
7. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be
   further considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undetionioned Papers:

(1) The Return to the Address in reference to the strength and efficiency of the Survey Department, adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 13th instant. Ordered to be printed.

(2) The Return to the Address in reference to the Claim of Constable Sadlier for increased pay, adopted, on motion of Mr. Darrell, on the 16th instant.

2. Carter's Regulation Bill.—Mr. Thurlow presented a petition from certain Draymen and others residing in the City of Sydney, stating certain objections to some of the clauses of this Bill, and praying relief. Petition received.

3. Scab in Sheep Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CHIEFLY FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council of the 13th Instant, the Governor General recommends to the Council the insertion in the proposed Bill for effectually suppressing the Disease known as Scab in Sheep, of such clauses as may be necessary for giving compensation to the owners of sheep to be compulsorily destroyed under the provisions of such Bill, at the rate of four shillings for each sheep or lamb over six months of age so destroyed, and for creating a fund for such compensation by an assessment, for one or two years as circumstances may require, of Two pounds per thousand upon all sheep and lambs within the Colony.

Government House,
Sydney, 31 October, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration with the Bill when in Committee of the whole Council.

4. Assent to Bills.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:

(1) Gunpowder Exportation Bill.

(2) Fitz Roy Iron and Coal Mining Company's Bill.

5. Scab in Sheep Bill.—Mr. Morris having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to make provision for the effectual suppression of the disease called Scab in Sheep," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

6. Clergy and School Lands.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the following Documents, viz.:—

(1) The Charter of Incorporation of the Trustees of the Clergy and School Lands, dated 9th March, 1826.

(2) The Letters Patent, dated 1st January, 1831, appointing Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Church and School Corporation.

(3) The Order in Council, dated 4th February, 1833, dissolving the Corporation.

(4) All Reports made by the Trustees or Commissioners, under the 35th clause of the Charter of Incorporation.

(5) The Letters addressed by the Commissioners for managing the affairs of the Corporation to the Colonial Secretary on the 16th June, 1831, and 19th December, 1832, to the Secretary of the Church and School Lands.

(6) A Letter dated 18th November, 1831, addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the same Commissioners, defending the Corporation against certain charges of mismanagement. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

7. Salaries of Police Magistrate and Superintendent of Police, Sydney.—Mr. Thurlow moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1) That it is the opinion of this Council that the Salaries of the Police Magistrate of the City of Sydney and the Superintendent of Police ought to be increased—that of the Police Magistrate to £600, and that of the Superintendent of Police to £600.

(2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that the necessary sums to effect these respective increases be accordingly placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855. Debate ensued. Motion by leave withdrawn.

8.
3. Circular Quay and Railway Works:—Mr. Flood moved, pursuant to amended notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the following Documents, viz:—
   (1.) The Specification of the works to be performed at the Circular Quay, under Edmund Welcott, Esq.
   (2.) The Letters of Instruction from the Colonial Secretary to the Board of Inspection appointed to report upon the Railway works, dated respectively the 18th and 26th July last.

Question put and passed:—

Whereupon the Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the said Letters of Instruction of the 18th and 26th July last, in part Return to the Address.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Constabulary of Brisbane and Ipswich:—Mr. Leslie moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House, such relief to the Chief, District, and Ordinary Constables of the Towns of Brisbane and Ipswich, as to His Excellency may seem necessary to meet the increased expenses of living in those remote portions of the Territory.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

10. Withdrawal of Crown Lands put up for sale:—Mr. Cowper moved pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cook, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Dungog District, and Mr. Henry Carmichael, respecting the withdrawal from public auction of 116 acres of Crown Land which was put up to sale, after notification in the Government Gazette, on the 17th May last.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Thursday next.

12. Sydney Railway Company's Bill:—The Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice, that this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

Council divided.

Ayes 17.

The Colonial Secretary,
The Solicitor General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Attorney General,
The Postmaster General,
Captain King,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Leslie,
Rev. Dr. Lang,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Parker,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
The Auditor General,
Mr. W. Macarthur,
Inspector General of Police, Tellers.

Noes 7.

Mr. Flood,
Mr. Halsey,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Parkes, Tellers.

Whereupon Bill read a second time:—

The Colonial Treasurer then moved that the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Nichols moved that the Council do now proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Debate continued.

Question put:—That the Council do now proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Council divided.

Ayes 8.

Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Halsey,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Nichols,
Mr. Parkes, Tellers.

Noes 14.

The Colonial Secretary,
The Solicitor General,
The Attorney General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Postmaster General,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. Park,
The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. Parker,
Inspector General of Police, Tellers.

The Auditor General,

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Original Question put and passed:

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.

13. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Debate on his Motion "That this Bill be now read a second time," which was interrupted by the Council being counted out on the 18th instant,—resumed.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the Debate be adjourned until this day week.

Question on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until this day week—put and passed.

14. Carter's Regulation Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a second time; to be considered in Committee this day week.

15. Mainland Road Trust Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, that the title of this Bill be "An Act to amend the Mainland Road Trust Act, 1853, (17th Victoria, No. 16)."

Question put and passed.

16. Campbelltown Water Commissioners Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Thursday next.

17. Parish Nepean Bridge Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of Mr. Darwall, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

18. Cook's River Bridge Bill:—On motion of Mr. Holroyd the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

19. Postponement:—The consideration of the Coal Bill in Committee, postponed, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Parkes, until Friday next.

Council adjourned, at Nine o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Increased City Rate Bill; second reading.
2. Weights and Measures Bill; second reading.
3. Registration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 53, with Moreton Bay Savings Bank Bill.
6. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; first reading.
7. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Berry to move,—

(1) That the practice of casting large quantities of soil and mud into the Harbour, which now obtains with the sanction of the Government, is contrary to law—calculated to destroy the navigation of the Harbour—and ought immediately to be discontinued.

(2) That this Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

2. Mr. Thurber to move, That the Petition presented by him yesterday, in reference to the Carter's Regulation Bill, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Sydney Railway Company's Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this House an Appropriation Clause to be inserted in the "Bill for the partial Endowment of Affiliated Colleges," recommending that a sum not exceeding £20,000 be provided out of the General Revenue towards any "Building Fund" created by any Affiliated College that may be established in connection with the Sydney University; such grant to be contingent upon the raising of an equal sum for the same purpose by private contribution.
2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Port Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Punt stationed there.

ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Campbell Town Water Commissioners Bill; third reading.

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NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all Partnerships Registered in pursuance of the Act of Council, 17 Victoria, No. 9.
2. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General of the Colony to inspect and report upon the Sand Drifts in the City of Sydney and its immediate neighbourhood, with a view to the adoption of some effectual means of preventing injury thereby to the City and the Waters of the Harbour.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Fourth Nepean Bridge Bill; third reading.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; third reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

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NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill for protecting enclosed lands from intrusion and trespass.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Sack in Sheep Bill; second reading. (Message No 54, authorising Appropriation Clauses, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols—"That the Sydney "Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time."
3. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER, 1854

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Bank of New South Wales Bill:—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 12th September last, together with the Bill as amended in Select Committee.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.

2. Commercial Bank Bill:—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 18th September last, together with the Bill as amended in Select Committee.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.

3. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Cowper withdrew the Motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for Thursday next, giving an amended notice of motion in lieu thereof.

4. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:
(1.) Correspondence respecting the Sydney Railway, in continuation of that laid upon the Table on the 9th August, 1853.
(2.) Correspondence respecting the Hunter River Railway, in continuation of that laid upon the Table on the 9th June, 1853,
Ordered to be printed.

5. Weights and Measures Bill:—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from certain Ironmongers and General Importers, representing that under sections IV and VI of this Bill, all the Weights and Measures now held by them as part of their general trade stock would be liable to seizure and confiscation, and themselves subject to penalties of an enormous and ruinous character, notwithstanding that the public are already duly protected under the Act 16 Victoria, No. 34,—and praying relief.
Petition received.

6. Increased City Rate Bill:—The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Martin then moved, That this Bill be now referred for the consideration and report of the Select Committee on the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill.
Question put and passed.

7. Weights and Measures Bill:—The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put.

Ayres 11.
The Colonial Secretary, Mr. G. Bowrnan,
The Attorney General, Mr. Flood,
The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Nicholls,
Mr. Backer,
Dr. Douglass,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Dockes,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Atkins,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Thurston,
Mr. Dr. Long,
Mr. Park,
Mr. Martin,
Noes 13.

Tellers.
Tellers.
8. Registration Bill: — The Attorney General moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Campbell moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Council will on this day six months resolve itself " into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill."

Debate continued.

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

Ayes, 16:

Rev. Dr. Lang,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Holroyd,
The Solicitor General,
The Colonial Treasurer,
The Attorney General,
The Collector of Customs,
The Postmaster General,
Mr. Parker,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Mr. G. Bowman,
The Inspector General of Police, The Colonial Secretary,
The Auditor General,
Mr. Nichols,
Tellers.

Nees, 7:

Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Tumlow,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Martin,
Tellers.

Original Question put and passed:

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the House was counted, and there not being eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker adjourned the Council at half-past seven o'clock, until tomorrow, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS — ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 53, with Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill.

3. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; first reading.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS — NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully suggesting that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House the insertion in the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill of a Clause authorising the appropriation, out of the General Revenue, of any sums of money, not exceeding £20,000 in any one case, towards building Affiliated Colleges within the University of Sydney, upon condition that the promoters of any such College applying for such grant shall have raised by private subscriptions an equal amount in aid of the erection thereof.

2. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Post Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Post stationed there.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Campbell Town Water Commission Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all Partnerships Registered in pursuance of the Act of Council, 17 Victoria, No. 9.
2. Mr. Parker to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General of the Colony to inspect and report upon the Sand Drifts in the City of Sydney and its immediate neighbourhood, with a view to the adoption of some effectual means of preventing injury thereby to the City and the Waters of the Harbour.

3. Mr. Bony to move,—
   (1.) That the practice of casting large quantities of soil and mud into the Harbour, which now obtains with the sanction of the Government, is contrary to law;—calculated to destroy the navigation of the Harbour;—and ought immediately to be discontinued.
   (2.) That this Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

4. Mr. Thurlow to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st ultimo, in reference to the Carters' Regulation Bill, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Penrith Nepean Bridge Bill; third reading.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; third reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Bank of New South Wales Bill; second reading.
5. Commercial Bank Bill; second reading.
6. Sydney Railway Company's Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

NOTICE OF MOTION—
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill for protecting enclosed lands from intrusion and trespass.

ORDERS OF THE DAY—
1. Sheep in Sheep Bill; second reading. (Message No. 54, authorising Appropriation Clauses, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols—"That the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time."
3. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 2 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Road Trusts' Accounts:
(1.) Sydney, for half year ended 30th June, 1854.
(2.) Parramatta, for half year ended 30th June, 1854.
(3.) Liverpool, for half year ended 31st December, 1853.
(4.) Liverpool, for half year ended 30th June, 1854.
(5.) Narre Warren, for half year ended 30th June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until after the other Orders of the Day on the Paper of Government Business shall have been disposed of.

3. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill:—The Governor General's Message No. 53, received with this Bill on the 20th ultimo, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying Bill, intituled "A Bill to establish and incorporate a Savings' Bank for the District of Moreton Bay," read a first time; to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

4. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, read a first time; to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 50, 53, 44, 47, and 51. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

6. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill further postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until to-morrow.

7. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended motion, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House the insertion in the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill of a Clause authorising the appropriation, out of the General Revenue, of any sums of money, not exceeding £20,000 in any one case, towards building such Affiliated Colleges within the University of Sydney as may be incorporated by Act of Council, upon condition that the promoters of any such College applying for such grant shall have raised by private subscriptions an equal amount in aid of the erection thereof.

Question put and passed.

8. Postponement.—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

9. Campbelltown Water Commissioners Bill, on motion of Mr. Nicholls, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nicholls then moved That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for the appointment of Commissioners for managing and upholding the Public Reservoir for the Supply of Water to the Inhabitants of Campbelltown, and for other purposes relating thereto."

Question put and passed.

Council adjourned at five minutes before Five o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Nicholls to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all Partnerships Registered in pursuance of the Act of Council, 17 Victoria, No. 8.

2. Mr. Parke to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General of the Colony to inspect and report upon the Sand Drifts in the City of Sydney and its immediate neighbourhood, with a view to the adoption of some effectual means of preventing injury thereby to the City and the Waters of the Harbour.
3. Mr. Berry to move,—
   (1.) That the practice of casting large quantities of soil and mud into the Harbour,
   which now obtains with the sanction of the Government, is contrary to law;—calculated
   to destroy the navigation of the Harbour;—and ought immediately to be dis-
   continued.
   (2.) That this Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor
   General.

4. Mr. Thurlow to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st ultimo, in
   reference to the Carters' Regulation Bill, be printed.

5. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying
   that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House
   A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between
   the Post Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in
   that locality, respecting the Post stationed there.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Penrith Nepcan Bridge Bill; third reading.
2. Cook's River Bridge Bill; third reading.
3. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Bank of New South Wales Bill; second reading.
5. Commercial Bank Bill; second reading.
6. Sydney Railway Company's Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill for protecting enclosed lands from
   intrusion and trespass.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Sugar in Shops Bill; second reading. (Message No. 54, authorising Appropriation
   Clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols—" That the Sydney
   Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time."
3. Carters Regulation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. The Solicitor General to move,—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the
   Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Assisted
   Immigration Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be
   farther considered in Committee.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Paper:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the Return to the Address in reference to the Botanic Gardens, adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 18th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

2. North Shore Steam and Pyrmont Bridge Companies:—Mr. Nichols, under suspension, on the 9th ultimo, of the 50th and 51st Standing Orders, presented the following Petitions:

(1) From John Fisher, Esquire, praying leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company. Petition received.

(2) From Walter Beames and Thomas Smith, Esquires, praying leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company. Petition received.

3. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Nichols withdrew the Motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day.

4. Sand Drifts:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Surveyor General of the Colony to inspect, and report upon the Sand Drifts in the City of Sydney and its immediate neighbourhood, with a view to the adoption of some effective means of preventing injury thereby to the City and the Waters of the Harbour.

Debate ensued.

Dr. Douglas moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "direct the Surveyor General of the Colony to inspect," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "order an inspection of." Debate continued.

It being stated that certain interruptions were proceeding from the Reporters' Gallery, and that these were in repetition of similar interruptions on former occasions, and a Debate arising thereupon,— Notice taken that there were strangers in the House,— Whereupon the Sergeant at Arms was ordered to clear the Galleries and Floor of the House,— And the Sergeant at Arms having done his duty therein,— The Debate on the said interruptions resumed for a time, and then dropped.

Original Debate resumed.

Mr. Flood moved, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

Question—on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until Tuesday next—put and negatived. Debate continued.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn:— Whereupon Original Question—as then amended with consent—That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct a competent person, to inspect and report upon the Sand Drifts in the City of Sydney and its immediate neighbourhood, with a view to the adoption of some effective means of preventing injury thereby to the City and the Waters of the Harbour—put and passed.

5. Postponement:—Mr. Berry postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

6. Carters Regulation Bill:—Mr. Thurloe moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 81st ultimo, in reference to the Carters' Regulation Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

7. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

8. Forth Nepean Bridge Bill, on motion of Mr. Darvell, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Darvell then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to amend the "Forth Nepean Bridge Act."

Question put and passed.

9. Cook's River Bridge Bill, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Holroyd then moved, That the title of this Bill be "An Act to form and make "a Dam or Bridge, on both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the "County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales."
10. Postponements:—
(1) The consideration of the Coal Bill in Committee postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Tuesday next.
(2) The second reading of the Bank of New South Wales Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Tuesday next.
(3) The second reading of the Commercial Bank Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Tuesday next.

11. Sydney Railway Company's Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

12. Fire Brigade Bill:—On motion of the Solicitor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman brought up the Bill, and reported the following Resolution:—That this Committee is of opinion that it is inexpedient to proceed further with the consideration of the Fire Brigade Bill until it shall have been submitted for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.

Mr. Parkes moved That this Resolution be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Parkes then moved that a Select Committee of Eight Members be now accordingly appointed; and that, with theumer, the Members of such Committee be Mr. Barker, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Flood, Mr. Holroyd, the Solicitor General, and Mr. Smart.

Question put and passed.

Council adjourned at half-past five o'clock, until Tuesday next, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill for protecting enclosed lands from intrusion and trespass.

2. Dr. Douglas to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Appointment of Commissioners for the Improvement of the Town of Wollongong.

3. Mr. Darville to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 33.

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.

5. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.

6. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.

7. Mr. Henry to move,—

(1.) That the practice of casting large quantities of soil and mud into this Harbour, which now obtains with the sanction of the Government, is contrary to law;—calculated to destroy the navigation of the Harbour;—and ought immediately to be discontinued.

(2.) That this Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

8. Mr. Morris to move, That the Papers laid upon the Table of this House, on the 31st ultimo, by the Colonial Secretary, in reference to the claim of Constable Sedgler for increased pay, be printed.

9. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House A Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Port Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Funt stationed there.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Seab in Sheep; Bill; second reading. (Message No 54, authorising Appropriation Clauses, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)

2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols.—That the Sydney "Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time.”

3. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

4. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

5. Bank of New South Wales Bill; second reading.

6. Commercial Bank Bill; second reading.

7. Sydney Railway Company's Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY,
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Solicitor General to move,—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Assisted Immigration Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, and 51; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Commissioners of the City of Sydney to construct a Tramway from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Privilege.—The Attorney General,—referring to a letter published in the "Empire" Newspaper, of Monday, the 6th instant,—

Moved, That the Proprietor of the "Empire" Newspaper be called to the Bar of this House to-morrow, to answer a charge of Breach of Privilege, arising out of the publication of a Letter in that Newspaper, on the 6th instant, subscribed "One of the People."

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

2. Messages.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read—

(1.) Public Works:—

CHRs. A. FITZ HOY,
Governor General.

With reference to the Message, No. 50, of the 17th October, 1854, transmitting "A Bill to authorise the immediate execution of certain Public Works of a permanent character, by means of Loans, secured upon the General Revenue of the Colony," the Governor General recommends to the Council, that the following further appropriations should be added to those already proposed in that Bill, viz:—

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Government House, Sydney,
7 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on the Public Works Loan Bill.

(2.) Clergyman's Stipends:—

CHRs. A. FITZ HOY,
Governor General.

In compliance with the request conveyed in the Address of the Legislative Council, dated the 24th October, 1854, the Governor General invites the Council to appropriate the sum of six thousand five hundred pounds for the present year, for the purpose of affording temporary relief to the Ministers of Religion of the different denominations entitled to receive the same—to be apportioned as follows:—

To Married Ministers £250 each.
To Single Ministers £25 each.

These sums will be payable to the Heads of each Denomination, on the conditions recommended in the Report of the Select Committee which accompanied the Address, namely, that the Lay subscribe an equal amount in each case, and that a certificate be furnished to the Government by the Head of the Denomination, stating that the amount required has been collected for that purpose.

Government House,
Sydney, 7 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.
(3.) Collieries Bill:—

CHR. A. FITZROY, Governor General. Message No. 57.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, 5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill for the regulation of Collieries in the Colony of New South Wales."

Government House, Sydney, 7 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.

8. New Member sworn:—Saul Samuel, Esquire, having taken the oath, and handed to the Clerk at the Table the following Declaration of Qualification, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of the united counties of Bexhorough and Wellington, in room of William Henry Satter, Esquire, resigned:

"I, Saul Samuel, do declare and testify, That I am duly seized at Law or in Equity of an Estate in freehold for my own use and benefit, in lands or tenements in the Colony of New South Wales, of the value of two thousand pounds sterling above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, situate in Pitt-street in the City of Sydney, and consisting of a Dwelling House and Stables; and that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to, or became possessed of, the said lands and tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of qualifying or enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales.

"Sydney, November 7th 1854."

"SAUL SAMUEL.

4. Assent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:

(1.) A Bill for the re-闤hishment of the Fluorine Railway Bill.

(2.) A Bill for the re-闤hishment of the Mainland Road Trust Bill.

5. Navigation of the River Hunter:—Mr. Nichols, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 4th July last, to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the Improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle.

Ordered to be printed.

6. Inclosed Lands Protection Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for protecting inclosed lands from intrusion and trespass.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

7. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1.) The Accounts of the Campbelltown Road Trust, for the half-year ended 30th June, 1854.

(2.) The Accounts of the Windsor Road Trust for the half-years respectively ended 31st December, 1853; 30th June, 1853; 31st December, 1853; and 30th June, 1854.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Wollongong Town Commissioners' Bill:—Mr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Appointment of Commissioners for the Improvement of the Town of Wollongong.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

9. Inclosed Lands Protection Bill:—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "A Bill for protecting Inclosed Lands from Infringement and Trespass," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.

10. Waterview Dry Dock Company:—Mr. Nichols, under suspension, on the 6th instant, of the 50th and 51st Standing Orders, presented a Petition from Thomas Sutcliffe Mort and James Sutherland Mitchell, Esquires, praying leave to introduce a Bill to enable Petitioners to purchase Land for the extension of the Waterview Dry Dock, and to construct additional Docks, and also to make and maintain at Waterview Bay a certain Quay in connection with such Dry Dock, fronting to Port Jackson, and to make roads and approaches thereto.

Petition received.

11. Postponement:—Mr. Holdens, on behalf of Mr. Darrell, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darrell, third on the Notice Paper, until the other motions on the Notice Paper for to-day shall have been disposed of.

12. St. Paul's College:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the 50th and 51st Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the presentation of a Petition praying leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate St. Paul's College in Affiliation with the Sydney University.

Question put and passed:—Whereupon Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from Sir Alfred Stephen, Knight, Chief Justice of the Colony of New South Wales, Alfred Hewlett Stephen, of Sydney, Clerk, and Robert Johnson, of Sydney, Gentlemen, praying leave to introduce the said Bill.

Petition received.
13. Postponement:—Mr. Nichols postponed the Motion standing in his name fifth and sixth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.

14. Casting Mud into the Harbour:—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1) That the practice of casting large quantities of soil and mud into this Harbour, which now obtains with the sanction of the Government, is contrary to law; calculated to destroy the navigation of the Harbour; and ought immediately to be discontinued.
(2) That this Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

15. Constable Sadler:—Parramatta:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, That the Papers laid upon the Table of this House, on the 31st ultimo, by the Colonial Secretary, in reference to the claim of Constable Sadler for increased pay, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

16. Punt at Raymond Terrace:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Copy of all Correspondence which has taken place during the last two years between the Port Master, the Bench of Magistrates at Raymond Terrace, and the Residents in that locality, respecting the Punt stationed there.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

17. Postponements:—
(1) Mr. Holden, on behalf of Mr. Darvell, further postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Darvell third on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(2) The second reading of the Soba in Sheep Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Morris, until to-morrow.

18. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill:—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Nichols "That this Bill be now read a second time,"— resumed.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time:—
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

19. Carter's Regulation Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

20. Postponements:—
(1) The consideration in Committee of the Coal Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Bligh, on behalf of Mr. Parkes, until Friday next.
(2) The second reading of the Bank of New South Wales Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
(3) The second reading of the Commercial Bank Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.

21. Sydney Railway Company's Bill, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, read a third time, and passed.
The Colonial Treasurer then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to authorize the enclosure of a part of George-street, in the City of Sydney, being a portion of the Clevelend Paddock."
Question put and passed.

22. Postponement:—The second reading of the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, until Thursday next.
Council adjourned at twenty minutes after Seven o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Solicitor General to move,—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of the Assisted Immigration Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill; second reading.

2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, and 56; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Commissioners of the City of Sydney to construct a Tramway from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River.
2. Mr. BERRY to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1) A Return setting forth the number of convictions during the last twelve months, consisting of soil or rubbish into the Harbour, or for loading or discharging ballast without using a tarpaulin, contrary to the provisions of the Act of Council 3rd Will. IV., No. 0; specifying the date of each conviction, and the amount of the fine imposed in each case respectively.
   (2) The particulars of the contract entered into by the Government and the Waterview Dock Company.
   (3) A statement of the quantity of coal consumed by the dredging machine since the 30th September last to the present date, and of the price of the coal per ton.
3. Mr. NICHOLS to move,—That an address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this Council the appropriation of a sum not exceeding £200 per annum by way of retiring allowance to Mr. Henry Cantley, the Clerk of the Record and Copying Branches in the Office of the Legislative Council; to commence from the 1st January, 1855.
4. Mr. BLOOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1) A Copy of all Correspondence between the Postmaster General and Postmaster at Avissford, relative to the opening of the Avissford Mail bags.
   (2) A Copy of the Depositions taken before the Bench, at Nudgee, on the hearing of the charge against Mr. Commissioner McLean, for opening the Avissford Mail bags.
5. Mr. NICHOLS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.
6. Mr. O'WILL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate St. Paul's College in Affiliation with the Sydney University.
7. Mr. NICHOLS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.
8. Mr. NICHOLS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. 1st in Sheep Bill; second reading. (Message No 54, authorising Appropriation Clauses, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
2. Bank of New South Wales Bill; second reading.
3. Commercial Bank Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 57, with Collieries Bill.
2. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. NICHOLS to move—
   (1) That the Report from the Select Committee appointed, on the 4th July last, "to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the improvement of the harbour of Newcastle," be now adopted.
   (2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein contained to be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Inclined Lands Protection Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. DARWALL to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 38.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Supplementary and Additional Estimates for 1854-5.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

CH* A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, a further Supplementary Estimate for the year 1854, and an additional Estimate for the year 1855; the former amounting to £11,163 18s. 7d., and the latter to £10,066 6s. 2d., after deducting the items to be withdrawn from the Estimates originally submitted in consequence of the substitution of those which are now proposed for the same services.

Government House, Sydney,
8th November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.

2. Increased City Rate Bill.—Mr. Martin, as Chairman of the Select Committee on the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill, brought up a Progress Report in relation to the Increased City Rate Bill which was also referred to that Committee on the 1st instant.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Postponement.—The Attorney-General, on behalf of the Solicitor-General, postponed the motion standing in the name of the Solicitor General on the Notice Paper of Government Business, until the Orders on the Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

4. Motion Bay Savings' Bank Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58.

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

6. Assisted Immigration Bill.—On motion of the Solicitor General, pursuant to notice, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

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

7. Roads and Railways.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed, on the 27th June last, to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tramway from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River.

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

9. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Berry withdrew the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
10. Pension to Mr. Henry Caan——Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this Council the appropriation of a sum not exceeding $200 per annum, by way of retiring allowance to Mr. Henry Caan, the Clerk of the Record and Copying Branches in the Office of the Legislative Council, to commence from the 1st January, 1865. Debate ensued.

Mr. Campbell moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the figures "$200," with a view to the insertion in their place of the figures "$100." Debate continued.

Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn;—
Whereupon Original Question—as then amended with consent,—that an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this Council the appropriation of a sum not exceeding $200 per annum, by way of retiring allowance to Mr. Henry Caan, the Clerk of the Record and Copying Branches in the Office of the Legislative Council; to commence from the 1st January, 1865;—such allowance to be given to him in consideration of his special skill and industry during a long term of service, and of his loss of sight in the performance of the duties of his office.—put and passed.

11. Opening of the Ariford Mail Bags.—Mr. Bligh moved, pursuant to amended notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—
(1.) A copy of all correspondence between the Postmaster General and Postmaster at Ariford; and also between the Postmaster at Ariford and the Postmaster at Medjide, relative to the opening of the Ariford Mail bags.
(2.) A copy of the Depositions taken before the Bench, at Medjide, on the hearing of the charge against Mr. Commissioner McLean, for opening the Ariford Mail bags.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

12. Postponement.—Mr. Nichols postponed the motion standing in his name fifth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

13. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill.—Mr. Cowper moved pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate St. Paul's College in Affiliation with the Sydney University.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

14. North Shore Steam Company's Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

15. Pyrmont Bridge Company's Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

16. North Shore Steam Company's Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public use of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirements of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company," read a first time.

17. Pyrmont Bridge Company's Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public use of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirements of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to Incorporate the Pyrmont Bridge Company," read a first time.

18. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill.—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public use of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirements of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill intituled, "A Bill to Incorporate St. Paul's College as an Affiliated College within the University of Sydney," read a first time.

19. Sack in Sheep Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Morris,—

Mr. Morris moved, that the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for consideration of this Bill, with the Governor-General's Message No. 54, authorizing Appropriation Clauses therein.

Question put and passed;—
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

20. Postponements:——

(1.) The second reading of the Bank of New South Wales Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.

(2.) The second reading of the Commercial Bank Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.

* Council adjourned at ten minutes after eight o'clock, until to-morrow, at three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 57, with Collieries Bill.
2. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 58, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Martin to move,—
   (1.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committees on the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill, in regard to the Increased City Rate Bill, which was also referred for the consideration and report of that Committee, be now adopted.
   (2.) That the Increased City Rate Bill, referred to in that Report, be amended by reducing the proposed rate from three shillings to one shilling.
   (3.) That a clause be inserted in that Bill prohibiting the raising, during the first half of the year 1855, by means of a City Rate, of any sum exceeding £10,000.
   (4.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the present year the sum of £20,000, to be paid to the City Commissioners in aid of the City Funds; and that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for next year the sum of £10,000, to be paid and applied to the same object.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move—
   (1.) That the North Shore Steam Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Morris, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Egan, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Allen, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Barker.

3. Mr. Nicholls to move—
   (1.) That the Pyrmont Bridge Company's Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Morris, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Egan, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Allen, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Barker.

4. Mr. Cooper to move—
   (1.) That the St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Bligh, Dr. Douglass, Mr. Finch, Mr. Flood, Mr. J. Macarthur, The Solicitor General, The Colonial Treasurer, and Mr. Parkes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Scrap in Sheep Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Bank of New South Wales Bill; second reading.
3. Commercial Bank Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nicholls to move—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee appointed, on the 4th July last, "to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and "the improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle," be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein contained to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. Nicholls to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Inclosed Lands Protection Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Carter's Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill; third reading.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY,
NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 33.

2. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—

   (1.) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated under the Orders of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to notices published in the Government Gazette, from 5th September, 1820; shewing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.

   (2.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 30.

   (3.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several, undermentioned Papers:

(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to Squatters’ Rents and Pre-emptive Rights, adopted, on motion of Mr. Bligh, on the 30th June last. Referred to the Select Committee on Crown Lands.

(2.) A further Despatch (No. 23, of 2nd August, 1854,) in reference to the Establishment of the Branch of the Royal Mint at Sydney. Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Papers in Further Return to the Address in reference to the Claim of Constable Siddler for Increased Pay, adopted, on motion of Mr. Darvell, on the 18th ultimo. Ordered to be printed.

2. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill:—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tram-road from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River," read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.

3. Postponements:—

(1.) The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 57, with the Collieries Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Tuesday next.

(2.) The second reading of the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, until Tuesday next.

4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

5. Wollongong Town Commissioners Bill:—Dr. Douglass having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill for the appointment of Commissioners to supply Water to the Inhabitants of Wollongong, and for other purposes relating thereto," read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.

6. Increased City Rate Bill:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice,

(1.) That the Program Report from the Select Committees on the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill, in regard to the Increased City Rate Bill, which was also referred for the consideration and report of that Committee, be now adopted.

(2.) That the Increased City Rate Bill, referred to in that Report, be amended by reducing the proposed rate from three shillings to one shilling.

(3.) That a clause be inserted in that Bill prohibiting the raising, during the first half of the year 1855, by means of a City Rate, of any sum exceeding £10,000.

(4.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for the present year the sum of £20,000, to be paid to the City Commissioners in aid of the City Funds; and that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates of Expenditure for next year the sum of £10,000, to be paid and applied to the same object.

Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

7. North Shore Steam Company’s Bill:—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice,

(1.) That the North Shore Steam Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Morris, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Egan, Dr. Douglass, Mr. James Massanther, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Berker.

Debate ensued.
Question (1).—That the North Shore Steam Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question (2).—That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Morris, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Egan, Dr. Douglas, Mr. James Macarthur, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Barker—put and passed.

8. Pyrmont Bridge Company’s Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to amended notice.—

(1) That the Pyrmont Bridge Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Morris, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Egan, Dr. Douglas, Mr. James Macarthur, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Barker.

Debate ensued.

Question.—(1) That the Pyrmont Bridge Company’s Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

The Postmaster General then required that the Committee be appointed by Ballot.—Whereupon the Court proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the Mover, the Committee duly appointed, viz.:—Mr. Barker, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Allen, The Postmaster General, Captain King, and the Inspector General of Police.

9. St. Paul’s College Incorporation Bill.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice.—

(1) That the St. Paul’s College Incorporation Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Bligh, Dr. Douglas, Mr. Finch, Mr. Flood, Mr. J. Macarthur, The Solicitor General, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Parkes, and Mr. Martin.

Question.—(1) That the St. Paul’s College Incorporation Bill be referred for the consideration and Report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question.—(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Bligh, Dr. Douglas, Mr. Finch, Mr. Flood, Mr. J. Macarthur, The Solicitor General, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Parkes, and Mr. Martin—put and passed.

10. Senh in Sheep Bill Reported.—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the Whole having been adopted, on motion of Mr. Morris, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

11. Bank of New South Wales Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

12. Copperas Point Bill having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

Council adjourned at five minutes after Eight o’clock, until to-morrow, at Three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Nichols to move—

(1) That the Report from the Select Committee appointed, on the 4th July last, “to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle,” be now adopted.

(2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein contained to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining, a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Inclosed Landa Protection Bill; second reading.

2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

3. Carters’ Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

4. Coal Bill; to be considered in Committee.

5. Senh in Sheep Bill; third reading.


7. Commercial Bank Bill; third reading.

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION—:

1. The Colonial Secretary to move, That the Standing Orders be suspended with a view to the introduction and passing through all its stages of a measure affecting the Revenue.

ORDERS OF THE DAY—:

1. Moreton Bay Savings' Bank Bill; third reading.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION—:

1. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Beches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 33.
2. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1.) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated under the Orders of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to notices published in the Government Gazette, from 5th September, 1826; showing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.
   (2.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 36.
   (3.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 57, with Collieries Bill.
2. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY—:

1. Wollongong Town Commissioners Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY—:

1. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill; second reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
FRIDAY, 10 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

(1) Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment:—

CH* A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council of the 2nd Instant, the Governor General recommends to the Council the intimation, in the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill, of a Clause authorising the appropriation, out of the General Revenue, of any sum of money, not exceeding £20,000 in any one case, towards building such Affiliated Colleges within the University of Sydney as may be incorporated by Act of Council, upon condition that the promoters of any such College applying for such Grant shall have raised by private subscriptions an equal amount in aid of the erection thereof.

Government House,
Sydney, 10 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee, with the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill.

(2) Custom Duties on Goods by the Murray River:—

CH* A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

The Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council a copy of a communication from the Colonial Secretary at Adelaide, containing a proposition made by the Government of South Australia for the collection of the Customs Duties on Goods sent from that Colony up the Murray River for consumption in New South Wales.

2. From the enclosed Despatch dated 2nd July 1854, it will be seen that the arrangement proposed by the South Australian Government is considered by the Right Honorable the Secretary of State to be preferable to that suggested by this Government, as shown in the Extract from the Minute of the Executive Council dated 1st November, 1853, which was afterwards modified by the Minute of 29th November, of the same year.

3. As this is a question which directly affects the Revenue, the Governor General is desirous of being favored with an expression of the opinion of the Council as to the propriety of according to the proposal made by His Excellency Sir Henry Young.

Government House,
Sydney 10 November 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Documents, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

(3) Spirits Duties Bill:—

CH* A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Imperial Act, 5 and 6 Victoria, Cap. 76, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council, the draft of a Bill "To increase the duties on Spirits."—

Government House,
Sydney, 10 November, 1854.

Ordered to be taken into consideration after the Motion in the name of the Colonial Secretary on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.
The Colonial Secretary, with consent, then moved, pursuant to amended notice, that the Standing Orders be suspended with a view to the immediate consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 01, and to the passing through all its stages to-day of the Bill which accompanied it.

Question put and passed;—

Whereupon, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the Clerk read the said Message. The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Bill accompanying the Message just read, be now read a first time.

Question put and passed;—

And Bill, intituled, "A Bill to increase the Duties on Spirits," read a first time.

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed;—

And Bill read a second time;—

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

Question put and passed;—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time after the second Order on the Paper of Other Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

2. Intemperance.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 21st June last, to inquire into the cause of the alarming increase of Intemperance in the Colony, and to report what remedies can be applied for this growing evil.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Assent to Bill.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Campbelltown Water Commissioners' Bill.

4. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

1. Return of the Assets and Liabilities of the several Banks of the Colony for the quarter ended 30th September, 1854.

(2) Copies of the Mortgages of the Sydney and Hunter River Railways.

(3) The Return to the Address in reference to Courts of General and Quarter Sessions and of Requests, adopted, on motion of Mr. Nichols, on the 18th June last.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Navigation of the River Hunter.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice;—

(1) That the Report from the Select Committee, appointed, on the 4th July last, "to inquire into the best means of facilitating the Navigation of the River Hunter, and the improvement of the Harbour of Newcastle," be now adopted.

(2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein contained to be carried into effect.

Question put and passed.

6. Waterview Dry Dock Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Dry Dock to construct, on land adjoining a Quay fronting the waters of Port Jackson, and to make approaches thereto.

Question put and passed; Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill;—

And Mr. Nichols having presented the Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury, for the public uses of the Colony, and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Proprietors of the Waterview Bay Dry Dock, in the Hundred of Ballina, near the City of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, to purchase Land for the extension of such Dock, and to construct additional Docks, and also to make and maintain, at Waterview Bay aforesaid, in connection with such Dock, a certain Quay or Wharf fronting to Port Jackson, and to make roads and approaches thereto,"—read a first time.

7. Isolated Lands Protection Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Wednesday next.

8. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Wednesday next.

9. Spirits Duties Bill.—The Colonial Secretary moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed;—

And Bill read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary moved, That this Bill be now passed.

Question put and passed.
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The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to Increase the Duties on Spirits."

Question put and passed.

10. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Carriers Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Wednesday next.

11. Coal Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, discharged from the Paper.

12. Sheep in Sheep Bill, on motion of Mr. Morris, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Morris then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to provide for the destruction of Sheep infected with the Scab, and to amend the Scab and Oatarrh Act of 1858."

Question put and passed.

13. Bank of New South Wales Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales, and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"

Question put and passed.

14. Commercial Bank Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, and for other purposes therein mentioned.'"

Question put and passed.

15. Moreton Bay Savings Bank Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to establish and Incorporate a Savings Bank for the District of Moreton Bay."

Question put and passed.

16. Postponements:

(1) The further consideration in Committee of the Assisted Immigration Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until Wednesday next.

(2) The further consideration in Committee of the Supplementary Estimates and Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1854-5, with Messes 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 55, and 58, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, until Wednesday next. Council adjourned, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, at Twenty minutes after Eight o'clock, until Wednesday next, at three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. THE SOLICITOR GENERAL to move, That the consideration in Committee of the Increased City Rate Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messes 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 55, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.

3. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 57, with Collieries Bill.

4. Affected Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading. (Message No. 59, authorizing an Appropriation clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill)

5. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. DR. DOUGLAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, setting forth the names of the parties who have passed Entries and paid duties on spirits since the morning of the 9th November last the closing of the Customs on the 1st June, with the respective quantities and amounts for each person.

2. MR. COWPER to move,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report upon Roads and Railways, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose upon the Additional Estimates for 1855 the sum of $2,406, for repairing the roads of the Colony.

3. MR. HOBROYS to move,—

(1) That this House having taken into consideration the papers laid upon the Table in reference to the Inquest held on the body of the late Miss Isabella Osborne before Mr. James Jerome Higgins, the Coroner at Barrima, is of opinion that Mr. Higgins ought immediately to be dismissed from his office.

(2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General embodying this resolution, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to carry it into effect.
4. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1) That the Watervieu Dry Dock Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.—Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Allen, Mr. Smart, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Parkes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Woollongong Town Commissioners Bill; second reading.
2. Inclosed Lands Protection Bill; third reading.
3. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—
1. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. MR. FLOOD to move,—
   (1) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
2. MR. DARVALL to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 35.
3. MR. CAMPBELL to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated under the Orders of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to notices published in the Government Gazette, from 5th September, 1826; shewing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.
   (2) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 36.
   (3) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Assent to Bills.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills,—
(1.) Spirits Duties Bill.
(2.) Ponitib Nepean Bridge Bill.

2. Papers.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undernoted
Papers:—
(1.) The Return to the Address in reference to the late Sheriff Macquoid, adopted, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on the 6th ultimo.
(2.) A further Return to the Address in reference to the Circular Quay and Railway Works, adopted, on motion of Mr. Flood, on the 8th ultimo.
Ordered to be printed.

3. Increased City Rate Bill.—The Solicitor General moved, pursuant to notice, That the
consideration in Committee of the Increased City Rate Bill stand an Order of the
Day for to-morrow.
Question put and passed.

4. Assisted Immigration Bill.—On motion of the Solicitor General the Speaker left the
Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further
consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854–5.—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker
left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further
consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure
for the Year 1854–5, with Messages Nos. 50, 55, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

6. Assent to Bill.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had
been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Sydney Railway Company’s Bill.

7. Customs Bill.—The Governor General’s Message No. 57, received with this Bill on the
7th instant, having been read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, the accompanying
Bill, intituled, “A Bill for the regulation of Cellars in the Colony of New South
Wales,” read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow.

8. Postponements.—The second reading of the Affiliated Colonies Partial Endowment
Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, on behalf of the Colonial
Treasurer, until to-morrow.

9. Customs’ Duties on Goods by the Murray River.—The Governor General’s Message
No. 60, respecting the collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River,
received on the 10th instant, read, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, and ordered
to be further considered to-morrow.

10. Duties paid on Spirits from 6th to 11th November instant.—Dr. Douglas moved, pur-
suant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General
praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of
this House,—
(1.) A Return, setting forth the names of the parties who have passed Entries and
paid duties on spirits from the morning of the 6th to the closing of the Customs on
the 11th November instant, both days inclusive, with the respective quantities and
amounts for each person.
(2.) A Return, setting forth the names of all persons (if any) who, after the 10th
November instant, paid Duties on Spirits at a lower rate than the existing law
required, with the respective quantities and amounts for each person.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

11. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name second on the Notice
Paper of Other Business for to day, until to-morrow.
(2.) Mr. Holroyd postponed the motion standing in his name third on the Notice
Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
12. Waterview Dry Dock Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1) That the Waterview Dry Dock Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Allen, Mr. Smart, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Parkes.
Question.—(1) That the Waterview Dry Dock Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.
Question.—(2) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Morris, Mr. Flood, Mr. Allen, Mr. Smart, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Parkes—put and passed.

13. Wollongong Town Commissioners Bill.—Dr. Douglass moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Holroyd moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Objection being taken to the further progress of this Bill on the ground of its being in the nature of a Private Bill,—
And the Speaker ruling that the Bill is in the nature of a Private Bill,—
Motion by leave withdrawn,—
And Bill discharged from the Paper.

14. Isolated Lands Protection Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be "now" read a third time.
Mr. Flood moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to add at the end the words "this day three months."
Debate ensued.
Question.—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and passed;—
Original Question put.
Council divided.

Ayes, 19.
Mr. Gower,
Mr. Douglass,
Mr. Coleman,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Thurlow,
Mr. Smart,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Bligh.

Noes, 6.
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Crowther,
Mr. Woolfe,
Mr. Clunies-Ross.

Whereupon Bill read a third time.
Mr. Nichols moved That this Bill do now pass.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Nichols then moved That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for protecting Isolated Lands from Intrusion and Trespass."
Question put and passed.

15. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill.—On motion of Mr. Nichols the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

16. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Carters’ Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until to-morrow.
Council adjourned at five minutes before eight o’clock, until to-morrow, at three o’clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
1. Increased City Rate Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1864-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 55, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Collieries Bill; second reading.
5. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading. (Message No. 59, authorizing an Appropriation clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
6. Further consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.

OTHER
OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Court to move,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report upon Roads and Railways, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose upon the Additional Estimates for 1855 the sum of £2,400, for repairing the roads of the Colony.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Carters Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Flood to move,—
   (1) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

2. Mr. Darwall to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 16th Vic. No. 33.

3. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated under the Orders of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to notices published in the Government Gazette, from 6th September, 1829; shewing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.
   (2) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 30.
   (3) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

4. Mr. Parker to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House,—
   (1) Copies of all Correspondence and Papers referring to the leave of absence granted to Dr. Campbell, Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek, and to the arrangements made for the management of the institution during the absence of that officer.
   (2) Copies of all Correspondence between the Government and the officers placed in temporary charge of the Asylum, on the subject of its management since Dr. Campbell's departure from the Colony; and of all correspondence relating to the removal of persons from office in that institution; with a statement of any new appointments that may have been made, and the qualifications of the persons so appointed.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Holroyd to move,—
   (1) That this House having taken into consideration the papers laid upon the table in reference to the Inquest held on the body of the late Miss Isabella Osborne before Mr. James Jerome Higgins, the Coroner at Berriana, is of opinion that Mr. Higgins ought immediately to be dismissed from his office.
   (2) That an Address be presented to the Governor General embodying this Resolution, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to carry it into effect.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Mr. Flood to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2.) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3.) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

2. Mr. Darvell to move for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Boards, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 10th Vic. No. 33.

3. Mr. Campbell to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
   (1.) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated under the Orders of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to notices published in the Government Gazette, from 5th September, 1829; shewing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.
   (2.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 36.
   (3.) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

4. Mr. Parker to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House,—
   (1.) Copies of all Correspondence and Papers referring to the leave of absence granted to Dr. Campbell, Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek, and to the arrangements made for the management of the institution during the absence of that officer.
   (2.) Copies of all Correspondence between the Government and the officers placed in temporary charge of the Asylum, on the subject of its management since Dr. Campbell's departure from the Colony; and of all correspondences relating to the removal of persons from office in that institution; with a statement of any new appointments that may have been made, and the qualifications of the persons so appointed.

5. Mr. Cowper to move,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report upon Roads and Railways, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose upon the Additional Estimates for 1855 the sum of £8,400, for repairing the Roads of the Colony.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Hobloyd to move,—
(1.) That this House having taken into consideration the papers laid upon the table in reference to the Inquest held on the body of the late Miss Isabella Osborne before Mr. James Jerome Higgins, the Coroner at Berriana, is of opinion that Mr. Higgins ought immediately to be dismissed from his office.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor-General embodying this Resolution, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to carry it into effect.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Increased City Rate Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1864-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Colleries Bill; second reading.
5. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading. (Message No. 59; authorising an Appropriation clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
6. Further consideration of Governor General's Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 86.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 17 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Public Works Loan Bill.—The Colonial Treasurer, as Chairman, brought up the Report
   from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for
   whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 10th ultimo, and to
   whom was also referred, on the 7th instant, the Governor General's Message No. 56,
   recommending further appropriations to be added to those already proposed in this
   Bill,—together with the Bill as amended in Select Committee.
   Ordered to be printed.

2. Fire Brigade Bill.—Mr. Parker presented a Petition from certain Directors of the
   Liverpool and London Fire and Life Insurance Company, urging objections
   against some of the provisions of this Bill, and praying to be heard by Council at
   the Bar of the House in opposition thereto.
   Petition received.

3. North Shore Steam Company's Bill.—Mr. Nicholls, as Chairman, brought up the Re-
   port from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee
   for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 9th instant, together
   with the Bill as-amended in Select Committee.
   Ordered to be printed.
   Mr. Nicholls then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the
   Day for Tuesday next.
   Question put and passed.

4. Spirits Duties Bill.—Mr. Nicholls presented a Petition from Mr. Edward Knox, representing
   that Petitioner is engaged in the business of distillation in Sydney—that on the 8th
   day of November instant he entered into a contract for forward delivery, during the
   ensuing twelve months, of about 40,000 proof gallons of Colonial Spirits, at a price
   proportionate to the then existing duty of three shillings and eight-pence per gallon
   on such Spirits—and that, by the sudden passing of the Act 18th Victoria, No. 24, on the following day, by
   which the said duty was increased to five shillings and eight-pence per gallon, without any protecting clause as to
   existing contracts, he will be a loser to the extent of £4,000, and praying relief.
   Petition received.

5. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report
   from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee
   for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 9th instant.
   Ordered to be printed.
   Mr. Cowper then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the
   Day for Tuesday next.
   Question put and passed.

6. Scab in Sheep Bill.—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from certain Sheep Owners of
   the District of Queanbeyan, and others concerned in the pastoral interests of the
   Colony, praying the Council not to pass this Bill.
   Petition received.

7. Yass River Bridge.—Mr. Campbell, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and
   laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose
   consideration and report were referred, on the 1st September last, the Petition of
   John Gunning, and the Return to the Address in reference to the Yass River Bridge,
   adopted, on motion of Mr. Murray, on the 1st July, 1852.
   Ordered to be printed.

8. Denis Guerin.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Dennis Guerin, representing
   that, after a service of Eleven Years as Messenger to the City Council, he was
   discharged on the dissolution of that Body, without notice, and with only one month's
   pay offered to him by way of compensation for the loss of his Office, to which a
   stranger was appointed, and praying inquiry and redress.
   Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on the Sydney Severeance and
   Water Appropriation Bill.

9. Fire Brigade Bill.—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Messrs. Griffiths Fanning
   and Co., on behalf of the Imperial Fire Office of London, urging objections
   against some of the provisions of this Bill, and praying to be heard by Council at
   the Bar of the House in opposition thereto.
   Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on this Bill.
10. Postponement:—Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Flood, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Flood first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

11. Rural Police:—Mr. Darwall moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to declare and define the powers of the Country Benches, and of the Inspector General of Police, over the Rural Police, under the 10th Vict. No. 33.

Debate ensued.
Mr. Martin moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question by leave withdrawn.
Original Question by leave withdrawn.

12. Crown Lands Revenue and Expenditure since 1826:—Mr. Campbell moved, pursuant to amended notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—

(1) A Return of all sums of money received in each year for lands sold or alienated pursuant to notices published by the Government, from 5th September, 1826; showing also the sums annually expended, whether on account of the Survey Department, the Aborigines, Immigration, Internal Improvements, or otherwise.

(2) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed under the 5th and 6th Victoria, cap. 36.

(3) A Return of all sums of money received and disbursed for leases of lands, within and without the Settled Districts respectively.

Question put and passed.

13. Fire Brigade Bill:—Mr. Darwall presented a Petition from Messrs. Thacker and Co., on behalf of the Alliance Fire Assurance Company of London, urging objections against some of the provisions of this Bill, and praying to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House in opposition thereto.

Petition received.

14. Roads and Railways:—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Final Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 27th June last, to inquire and report what measures should be adopted to improve the existing Roads, and to provide for the general introduction of Railways into the Colony.

Ordered to be printed.

15. Officers in charge of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—

(1) Copies of all Correspondence and Papers referring to the leave of absence granted to Dr. Campbell, Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek, and to the arrangements made for the management of the institution during the absence of that officer.

(2) Copies of all Correspondence between the Government and the officers placed in temporary charge of the Asylum, on the subject of its management since Dr. Campbell’s departure from the Colony; and of all correspondence relating to the removal of persons from office in that institution; with a statement of any new appointments that may have been made, and the qualifications of the persons so appointed.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

16. Roads of the Colony:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, transmitting a Copy of the Progress Report upon Roads and Railways, and respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to propose upon the Additional Estimates for 1835 the sum of £5,400, for repairing the Roads of the Colony.

Question put and passed.

17. Pennant Hills Tramway bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, discharges from the Paper.

18. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments,—
Mr. Nichols moved, “That the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Martin moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word “That” at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses II. and III. of the Bill as printed.”

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses II. and III. of the Bill as printed—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

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

19. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Carriers Regulation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

Council adjourned at Eight o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o’clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Tuesday, November 21.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Hopey to move,—
   (1.) That this House having taken into consideration the papers laid upon the table in reference to the Inquest held on the body of the late Miss Isabella Osborne before Mr. James Jerome Higgins, the Coroner at Berriwa, is of opinion that Mr. Higgins ought immediately to be dismissed from his office.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General embodying this Resolution, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to carry it into effect.

2. Dr. Douglass to move, That the Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the introduction of "A Bill for the appointment of Commissioners to supply Water to the Inhabitants of Wollomby, and for other purposes relating thereto."

3. Mr. Nicholls to move, That the Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the introduction of a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tramroad from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River.

4. Mr. Nicholls to move, that the Petition of Mr. Edward Knox, in reference to the increase of the Duties on Colonial Spirits, under the Act 18 Vict., No. 24, presented by him on the 17th instant, be printed.

5. Mr. Martin to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon this Table of this House, a Return setting forth—
   (1.) The quantity of Colonial Spirits in the certified and registered store attached to each Distillery in the Colony at the beginning of each day from the 9th to the 11th of November last, both days inclusive, together with the quantities delivered in and out, and the total quantity remaining at the close of each day.
   (2.) The quantity of Colonial Spirits warehoused in any bonding warehouse under the supervision of the Collector of Customs, on each of the days above specified, showing the quantities delivered in and out, and the totals as before specified.
   (3.) The amount paid into the Colonial Treasury on each of those days for duties on Colonial Spirits in each such certified and registered store, with the names of the persons paying the same.
   (4.) The amount paid on each of those days for duties on Colonial Spirits in any such bonding warehouse, as aforesaid, with the names of the persons paying the same.
   (5.) The name of each person to whom, at any time during the present year, a License to distil Spirits has been issued, and the name of the Distillery to which each such license applies.

6. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, the Surveyor General, the Port Master, and the Australian Steam Navigation Company, in reference to the extension of that Company's Wharf into deeper water at Darling Harbour.

7. Mr. Nicholls to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the payment, by the purchaser of duty paid Colonial Spirits under any contract made on or before the 10th November last, of the additional duty imposed by the Act 18 Vict., No. 24.

8. Mr. Flood to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2.) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3.) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

9. Mr. Cowper to move,—
   (1.) That the Final Report from the Select Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. North Shore Steam Company's Bill; second reading.
2. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill; second reading.
3. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill reported 1st; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Carters' Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

Government
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. THE COLONIAL TREASURER to move,—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Public Works Loan Bill be now adopted.
   (2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

2. THE COLONIAL TREASURER to move, That the consideration in Committee of the Public Works Loan Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Increased City Rate Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, and 58; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Colliers Bill; second reading.
5. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading. (Message No. 59, authorising an Appropriation clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)
6. Further consideration of Governor General's Message No. 50, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. CAMPBELL to move,—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yass River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Ganning, be now adopted.
   (2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

2. MR. DARBYALL to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

3. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

2. Sydney Paving Bill.—Mr. Holroyd presented a Petition from certain House and Landed Proprietors of Sydney, praying that the Council will not pass this Bill. Petition received.

3. Immigration.—Mr. James Macarthur, as Chairman, brought up the Final Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 27th June last, to take into consideration the best means of promoting Immigration into this Colony.

4. Newcastle Harbour.—Mr. Flood presented a Petition from certain Shipowners, Shipmasters, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of the City of Newcastle and surrounding Districts, representing the dangerous state of the Harbour of Newcastle, by reason of the insufficient provision in Boats, Buoys, Anchors, and Warsps, and praying relief. Petition received.

5. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Holroyd withdrew the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper for to-day.

6. Education.—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up a Second Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Education, in reference especially to the establishment of a Grammar School in the City of Sydney, as prayed for in the Petition referred to the Committee on the 6th ultimo. Ordered to be printed.

7. Motion withdrawn.—Dr. Douglas withdrew the motion standing in his name second on the Notice Paper for to-day.

8. Waterview Dry Dock Bill.—Mr. Nichols, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 15th instant. Ordered to be printed.

9. Pennant Hills Tramway Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the introduction of a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tramroad from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River. Question put and passed:—Whereupon, Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, praying leave to introduce the said Bill. Petition received.

10. Messages.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

(1.) Cook’s River Bridge Bill:

CHs. A. FITZ ROY,

Governor General.

Agreeably to the provisions of the 30th clause of the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land the Governor General has to propose the following amendment in the Bill which has been passed by the Legislative Council and presented to His Excellency for the Royal Assent intituled, "An Act to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook’s River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales.

2. The amendment which His Excellency proposes is the omission of sections 22, 23, and 24.

Government House,
Sydney, 21 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration on Friday next.
(2.) Pension to Mr. Henry Cann:—

CH* A. FITZ ROY.  
Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council, of the 8th instant, the Governor General recommends to the Council, the appropriation of a sum not exceeding £50 per annum, by way of retiring allowance to Mr. Henry Cann, the Clerk of the Record and Copying Branches in the Office of the Legislative Council, to commence from the 1st January, 1855; such allowance to be given to him in consideration of his special zeal and industry during a long term of service, and of his best of sight in the performance of the duties of his Office.

Government House, Sydney, 21st November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.

11. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Nichols withdrew the motion standing in his name fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day.

12. Colonial Spirits:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth—

(1.) The quantity of Colonial Spirits in the certified and registered store attached to each distillery in the Colony at the beginning of each day from the 9th to the 11th of November last, both days inclusive, together with the quantities delivered in and out, and the total quantity remaining at the close of each day.

(2.) The quantity of Colonial Spirits warehoused in any bonded warehouses under the supervision of the Collector of Customs, on each of the days above specified, showing the quantities delivered in and out, and the totals as before specified.

(3.) The amount paid into the Colonial Treasury on each of those days for duties on Colonial Spirits in each such certified and registered store, with the names of the persons paying the same.

(4.) The amount paid on each of those days for duties on Colonial Spirits in any such bonded warehouse, as aforesaid, with the names of the persons paying the same.

(5.) The name of each person to whom, at any time during the present year, a License to distil Spirits has been issued, and the name of the Distillery to which each such license applies.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

13. Australasian Steam Navigation Company’s Wharf:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence which has taken place between the Colonial Secretary, the Surveyor General, the Port Master, and the Australasian Steam Navigation Company, in reference to the extension of that Company’s Wharf into deeper water at Darling Harbour.

Question put and passed.

14. Land Reserves for Public Recreation:—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Final Report from, and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee re-appointed, on the 18th June last, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of recommending to His Excellency the Governor General, the reservation of certain unappropriated Lands in and near the City of Sydney, as places to be set apart for the public recreation of the Inhabitants of Sydney and its suburbs.

Ordered to be printed.

15. Proposed Board of Public Works:—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up the Final Report from the Select Committee re-appointed, on the 13th June last, to inquire into and report upon the propriety of placing the construction, management, and control of the Public Works and Buildings of the Colony under a Board of Public Works.

Ordered to be printed.

16. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Nichols withdrew the motion standing in his name seventh on the Notice Paper for to-day.

17. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Flood postponed the motion standing in his name eighth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

(2.) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name ninth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.

18. North Shore Steam Company’s Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and Ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Thursday next.

19. Postponements:—The second reading of the St. Paul’s College Incorporation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.

20. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill Reported 1st:—On motion of Mr. Nichols the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of Clauses II. and III. of this Bill as printed.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments,—Mr. Nichols moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr.
Mr. Martin moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed."

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

21. Quarters Regulation Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Council resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Thurlow moved that the Question be amended, by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "this Council will on this day six months resolve itself " into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill."

Debate ensued.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

22. Public Works Loan Bill:

1. The Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice,—

   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Public Works Loan Bill be now adopted.

   (2.) That a Copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

   Question put and passed.

2. The Colonial Treasurer moved, pursuant to notice, That the consideration in Committee of the Public Works Loan Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow. Question put and passed.

   Council adjourned as a quarter before Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Increased City Rate Bill; to be considered in Committee.

2. Assisted Immigration Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, and 63; to be further considered in Committee.

4. Colliers Bill; second reading.

5. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; second reading. (Message No. 59, authorising an Appropriation clause, to be considered in Committee with this Bill.)

6. Further consideration of Governor General's Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.

7. Public Works Loan Bill; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Campbell to move,—

   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yass River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Owing, be now adopted.

   (2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request, that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. Cowper to move for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate and partially Endow the Sydney Grammar School.

3. Mr. Cowper to move,—

   (1.) That the Final Report from the Select Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted.

   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. James Macartney to move—
   (1) That this Council, after maturely considering the subject of Immigration in all its bearings, is of opinion that the continued prosperity of this Colony in a great degree depends upon a large and uninterrupted supply of labour.
   (2) That the increasing resources and population of the Colony, and the probability of a large and progressive increase of the Land Revenue, in the opinion of this Council fully justify the policy of borrowing on the security of that Revenue the funds necessary to keep up such supply.
   (3) That, in the opinion of this Council, the further sum of £100,000 should be remitted for that important object, as to reach England by the month of June, 1855, and that such portion thereof as may be necessary be raised on the before mentioned security.
   (4) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will cause them to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. Nicolson to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a ferry-road from the Quays to a point on the Parramatta River.

3. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to his House, the insertion in the Sydney Grammar School Incorporation and Partial Endowment Bill of Clauses authorising the appropriation out of the General Revenue of any sum not exceeding £1,500 per annum, towards defraying the Salaries of the Head Master and Assistant Masters of the Sydney Grammar School, and the Grant of £20,000 to form a Building Fund for the erection of the School Buildings, and of a Residuum for the Head Master of the said School.

4. Mr. Cowper to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:
   (1) A numerical Return of the Soldiers confined in the District Military Prison, or Garrison Colts, at the Victoria Barracks, since the 1st January last, specifying the number belonging to each regiment, and the station of the regiment.
   (2) A Return showing the expense borne by this Colony and the Colony of Victoria, respectively, in support of this Establishment, for subsistence, clothing, necessaries, &c.
   (3) A Return of the number of Non-Commissioned Officers employed in this Establishment; their daily rates of extra pay while so employed, and what portion of this item is paid by, or charged to, the respective Governments of New South Wales and Victoria.
   (4) A nominal Return of the Officers paid by this Government or the Government of Victoria, as Visitors to this Prison, and the amount paid annually to such Officers.

5. Mr. Nicholson to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Governor to remit duties on Colonial Spirits in certain cases.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. North Shore Steam Company’s Bill; third reading.
2. Carters’ Regulation Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. Mr. Flood to move, That the Petition in reference to the insufficient provision in Bots, Buoy’s, Anchors and Waps, for the Harbour of Newcastle, presented by him on the 21st instant, be printed.

2. Mr. Flood to move—
   (1) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Medical Commission to inspect the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony, and Report on the present state of those Institutions, particularly with reference to classification of patients, Medical treatment, and the means of security and protection.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Waterview Dry Dock Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 62, proposing an amendment in the Cook’s River Bridge Bill.

CONTINGENT
CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

2. Mr. Darvall to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigades Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

4. Mr. Halbrook to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Penitentiary Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hydes, presented by Mr. Darvall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 22 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Fire Brigade Bill.—Mr. Farres presented a Petition from Neura, Beil and Sons, on behalf of the "Monarch" Fire and Life Assurance Company of London, urging objections against some of the provisions of this Bill, and praying to be heard by Council at the Bar of the House in opposition thereto.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee on this Bill.
2. Delay in the Supply of Clothing to the Native Police.—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table a letter from Mr. John Weston, on behalf of the Colonial Storekeeper, dated the 16th instant, in explanation of certain delays alleged to have arisen in the Supply of Clothing to the Native Police.
3. Increased City Rate Bill.—On motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.
4. Further Supplementary and Additional Estimates for 1854-5.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY,
Governor General.
The Governor General transmits a further Supplementary Estimate for 1854, and a further additional Estimate for 1855, amounting respectively to Twenty thousand pounds and Twenty three thousand Six hundred pounds, in which provision is made for the grants in aid of the City Funds, the repair of Roads, the Educational Commission, and other expenses recommended by Resolutions of the Council.

Government House
Sydney 22nd November 1854.
Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and taken into consideration with the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5.
5. Assisted Immigration Bill.—On motion of the Solicitor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the report to stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.
6. Postponement.—The further consideration in Committee of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 35, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, 63 and 64, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
7. Collieeries Bill.—The Attorney General moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time:—
Whereupon, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council ordered the adoption of the Report to stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.
8. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof, with the Governor General's Message No. 69, received on the 10th instant, authorising the insertion of an Appropriation Clause therein.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
9. Postponement.—The further consideration of the Governor General's Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until to-morrow.
10. Public Works Loan Bill.—On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the Council adopted the same, as ordered this Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

Contingent.—Dr. Land to move (after the 3rd of the proposed Resolutions on Immigration shall have been disposed of).—

(4.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the case of the hand loom Weavers of the east and west of Scotland is deserving of special consideration, and that the sum of Twenty thousand pounds additional should be appropriated in promoting the immigration of suitable persons and families of that class during the year 1855.

Government Business—Orders of the Day:

1. Increased City Rate Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
2. Assisted Immigration Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 80, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, 63, and 64; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Colliefiers Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
5. A. filiated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; to be further considered in Committee, with Message No. 50.
6. Further consideration of Governor General’s Message No. 60, respecting the Collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.
7. Public Works Loan Bill; third reading.

Other Business—Notices of Motion:

1. Mr. JAMES MACARTHUR to move,—

(1.) That this Council, after maturely considering the subject of Immigration in all its bearings, is of opinion that the continued prosperity of this Colony in a great degree depends upon a large and uninterrupted supply of labour.
(2.) That the increasing resources and population of the Colony, and the probability of a large and progressive increase of the Land Revenue, in the opinion of this Council fully justify the policy of borrowing on the security of that Revenue the funds necessary to keep up such supply.
(3.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the further sum of £100,000 should be raised for that important object, so as to reach England by the month of June, 1855, and that such portion thereof as may be necessary be raised on the before mentioned security.

(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will cause them to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. NICHOLS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tran-ram-road from the Quarry at Potts Hill to the Parramatta River.

3. Mr. COPPER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House, the insertion in the Sydney Grammar School Incorporation and Partial Endowment Bill of Clauses authorizing the appropriation out of the General Revenue of any sum, not exceeding £1,500 per annum, towards defraying the Salaries of the Head Master and Assistant Masters of the Sydney Grammar School, and the Grant of £20,000 to form a Building Fund for the erection of the School Buildings, and of a Residence for the Head Master of the said School.

4. Mr. COPPER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:

(1.) A numerical Return of the Soldiers confined in the District Military Prison, or Garrison Cells, at the Victoria Barracks, since the 1st January last, specifying the number belonging to each regiment, and the station of the regiment.
(2.) A Return shewing the expense borne by this Colony and the Colony of Victoria, respectively, in support of this Establishment, for subsistence, clothing, necessaries, &c.
(3.) A Return of the number of Non-Commissioned Officers employed in this Establishment, their daily rates of extra pay while so employed, and what portion of this item is paid by, or charged to, the respective Governments of New South Wales and Victoria.

(4.) A nominal Return of the Officers paid by this Government or the Government of Victoria, as Visitors to this Prison, and the amount paid annually to such Officers.
5. Mr. Nichols to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Governor to remit duties on Colonial Spirits in certain cases.

6. Mr. Cowper to move,—
   (1.) That the Final Report from the Select Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. North Shore Steam Company's Bill; third reading.
2. Carters' Regulation Bill Reported; Adoption of the Report.
3. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Flood to move, That the Petition in reference to the insufficient provision in Boats, Buoys, Anchors and Warps, for the Harbour of Newcastle, presented by him on the 21st instant, be printed.

2. Mr. Flood to move,—
   (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (2.) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (3.) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Medical Commission to inspect the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony, and Report on the present state of those Institutions, particularly with reference to classification of patients, Medical treatment, and the means of security and protection.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Waterview Dry Dock Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
3. Sydney Grammar School Bill; second reading

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 02, proposing an amendment in the Cook's River Bridge Bill.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28.

NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Campbell to move,—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yass River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Gunning, be now adopted.
   (2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.
1. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

2. Mr. Darwall to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

4. Mr. Holroyd to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Syd. Paving Bill), That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyndes, presented by Mr. Darwall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

5. Mr. Parkes to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill,) That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 22nd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Fire Brigade Bill:—Mr. Parker presented a Petition from Messrs. Smith, Croft and Co., on behalf of the Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool, urging objections against some of the provisions of this Bill, and praying to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House in opposition thereto.

Petition received.

2. Increased City Rate Bill Reported:—The Attorney General, on behalf of the Solicitor General, moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committees of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Nicholls moved, That the Question be amended, by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words: "This Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses 1 and 3."

Debate ensued.

Question put:—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. Council divided.

Ayrs, 12.

Mr. Cowper, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Barker, Mr. Bland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Rev. Dr. Lang, Mr. Parker, Mr. J. Macarthur, Mr. Allen, Mr. Truscott, Mr. Egges, Mr. Tatters.

Nees, 37.

The Auditor General, The Colonial Secretary, The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Bligh, Mr. H. Lea, Mr. Brown.

Mr. Parker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Barry, The Collector of Customs, Captain Denman, The Postmaster General, The Attorney General, The Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, The Solicitor General, The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Tatters.

Question:—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put, and passed.

Question:—That this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses 1 and 3—put and passed—Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without any further amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

3. Assisted Immigration Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

4. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855-6, with Minutes Nos. 56, 58, 60, 61, 63, 65, 66, 67, and 68, postponed, on motion of the Auditor-General, until after the seventh Order on the Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

5. Collieries Bill Reported:—The Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole having been adopted, on motion of the Attorney General, the Council ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
6. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill.—On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill, with the Governor General’s Message No. 96, received on the 10th instant, authorising the insertion of an Appropriation Clause therein.

The Chairman having reported the Bill, with amendments—

The Solicitor General moved,—“That” the adoption of the Report stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Mr. Martin moved.—That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word “That,” at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their places of the words “this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clause V.”

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

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Colonial Secretary,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Smart,
The Colonial Treasurer,
Mr. Bligh,
Mr. Parker,
Mr. Flood,
Mr. Mannley,
Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Broadhurst,
Mr. Nichols,
The Postmaster General,
Mr. Morris,
The Collector of Customs,
Mr. Campbell,
The Inspector General of Police,
Mr. Turleau,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands,
Rev. Mr. Long,
Mr. Leslie,
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. H. Osborne,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. J. Macarthur,
Mr. Cowper,
The Auditor General,
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Allen,
Mr. Cowper,
The Solicitor General.
} Tellers.

Noes, 12.


Whereupon, Original Question put and passed.

7. Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River.—The Governor General’s Message No. 60, received on the 10th instant, respecting the collection of Customs Duties on Goods by the Murray River, being under further consideration on motion of the Colonial Secretary,

The Colonial Secretary moved:—

(1.) That this Council is of opinion that all Goods, subject to Duty and intended for transit up the River Murray for consumption in this Colony, should be duly entered as a Custom House in South Australia, (such Goods being duly paid according to the South Australian Tariff), and a declaration of destination made, and a manifest and clearance obtained; and that the amount of Duties on such Goods which may be received at the Treasury of South Australia, should be held to the credit of this Colony.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

8. Public Works Loan Bill, on motion of the Colonial Treasurer, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Treasurer then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act to authorize the immediate execution of certain Works of a permanent character by means of Loans secured upon the General Revenues of the Colony.”

Question put and passed.

9. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-55.—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages No. 50, 53, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, 63, and 64.

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

10. Postponement.—Mr. James Macarthur postponed the motion standing in his name first on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

11. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tram-road from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River.

Question put and passed; Ordered That the Mover and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

12. Sydney Grammar School.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to recommend to this House, the insertion in the Sydney Grammar School Incorporation and Partial Endowment Bill of Clauses authorising the appropriation, out of the General Revenue, of any sum not exceeding £1,500 per annum, towards defraying the Salaries of the Head Master and Assistant Masters of the Sydney Grammar School, and the Grant of £20,000 to form a Building Fund for the erection of the School Buildings, and of a Residence for the Head Master of the said School.

Question put and passed.
13. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five pounds had been paid into the Colonial Treasury for the public uses of the Colony and in support of the Government thereof, pursuant to the requirement of the 54th section of the Standing Orders, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Commissioners for the City of Sydney to construct a Tramroad from the Quarry at Pennant Hills to the Parramatta River," read at first time.

14. Confines in the Military Prison at the Victoria Barracks.—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House:—

(1.) A numerical Return of the Soldiers confined in the District Military Prison, or Garrison Cells, at the Victoria Barracks, since the 1st January last, specifying the number belonging to each regiment, and the station of the regiment.

(2.) A Return shewing the expense borne by this Colony and the Colony of Victoria, respectively, in support of this Establishment, for subsistence, clothing, necessaries, &c.

(3.) A Return of the number of Non-Commissioned Officers employed in this Establishment; their daily rates of extra pay while so employed, and what portion of this item is paid by, or charged to, the respective Governments of New South Wales and Victoria.

(4.) A nominal Return of the Officers paid by this Government or the Government of Victoria, as Visitors to this Prison, and the amount paid annually to such Officers.

Question put and passed.

15. Colonial Spiritus Duties Remittal Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Governor to remit duties on Colonial Spirits in certain cases.

Question put and passed; Ordered, that the Morell and Secondor prepare and bring in the Bill.

16. Postponement.—Mr. Morris, on behalf of Mr. Cowper, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper sixth on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

17. Colonial Spiritus Duties Remittal Bill.—Mr. Nichols having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "A Bill to enable the Governor to remit Duties on Colonial Spirits in certain cases," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

18. North Shore Steam Company's Bill.—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill do now pass.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to Incorporate the North Shore Steam Company."

Question put and passed.

19. Carters' Regulation Bill Reported.—Mr. Nichols moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Martin moved That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses XXVI, XXV, XXIV, and LV, and the introduction of a new Clause."

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

Question.—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.

Question.—That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clauses XXVI, XXV, XXIV, and LV, and the introduction of a new Clause—put and passed:—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

20. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time; to be considered in Committee to-morrow.

Council adjourned at five minutes after Nine o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

Contingent—Dr. Lane to move (after the 3rd of the proposed Resolutions on Immigration shall have been disposed of)—:

(4.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the case of the handloom Weavers of the east and west of Ireland is deserving of special consideration, and that the sum of Twenty thousand pounds additional should be appropriated in promoting the immigration of suitable persons and families of that class during the year 1855.

Other Business—Notices of Motion:

1. Mr. Flood to move, That the Petition in reference to the insufficient provision in Boats, Buoys, Anchors and Warps, for the Harbour of Newcastle, presented by him on the 21st instant, be printed.

2. Mr. Flood to move,—
   (4.) That in the opinion of this House it is expedient and necessary that all Public Works should be submitted to public competition, and performed (as far as practicable) by contract.
   (5.) That all supplies required for the Public Service should be furnished in a similar manner.
   (6.) That these Resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Medical Commission to inspect the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony, and Report on the present state of those Institutions, particularly with reference to classification of patients, Medical treatment, and the means of security and protection.

4. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That this Council, after maturely considering the subject of Immigration in all its bearings, is of opinion that the continued prosperity of this Colony in a great degree depends upon a large and uninterrupted supply of labour.
   (2.) That the increasing resources and population of the Colony, and the probability of a large and progressive increase of the Land Revenue, in the opinion of this Council fully justify the policy of borrowing on the security of that Revenue the funds necessary to keep up such supply.
   (3.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the further sum of £100,000 should be remitted for that important object, so as to reach England by the month of June, 1855, and that such portion thereof as may be necessary be raised on the before mentioned security.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will cause them to be carried into effect.

5. Mr. Nichols to move,—
   (1.) That the Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz., Mr. Collins, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, Colonel Barney, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Smart.

6. Mr. Cowper to move,—
   (1.) That the Final Report from the Select Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Waterferry Dock Bill; second reading.

2. Sydney Grammar School Bill; second reading.

3. Colonial Spirits Duties Remittal Bill; second reading.


5. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, 63, and 64; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY,
NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Campbell to move,—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yass River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Gunning, be now adopted.
   (2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

2. Mr. Darwall to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

3. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

4. Mr. Holroyd to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Paving Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyde, presented by Mr. Darwall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

5. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 22nd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

6. Mr. Parker to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
No. 90.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 24 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Public Parks Regulation Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the
   Governor General received and read:—
   CHIEF A. FITZ ROY,
   Governor General.

   In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5
   and 6 Victoria Cap 79, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council
   the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill for the regulation of Parks and other places
   of Public recreation, convenience, health, and enjoyment."
   Government House,
   Sydney, 24 November, 1854.

   Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consid-
   eration on Tuesday next.

2. Postponement:—Mr. Cowper, on behalf of Mr. Flood, postponed the motion standing
   in the name of Mr. Flood first on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

3. Motion dropped:—Mr. Flood not moving the motion standing in his name second on
   the Notice Paper for to-day, it is dropped.

4. Lunatic Asylums Commission:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice: That
   an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will
   be pleased to appoint a Commission to inspect the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony,
   and Report on the present state of those Institutions, particularly with reference to
   classification of patients, Medical treatment, and the means of security and protec-
   tion. Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

5. Proposed Nautical School:—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from
   and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed,
   on the 12th July last, to consider and report upon the general subject of establishing
   a Nautical School in the Port of Sydney.

   Ordered to be printed.

6. Immigration:—Mr. James Macarthur moved, pursuant to notice.
   (1.) That this Council, after maturely considering the subject of Immigration in all its
   bearings, is of opinion that the continued prosperity of this Colony in a great degree
   depends upon a large and uninterrupted supply of labour.
   (2.) That the increasing resources and population of this Colony, and the probability of
   a large and progressive increase of the Land Revenue, in the opinion of this Council
   fully justify the policy of borrowing on the security of that Revenue the funds neces-
   sary to keep up such supply.
   (3.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the further sum of £100,000 should be
   remitted for that important object, so as to reach England by the month of June,
   1856, and that such portion thereof as may be necessary be raised on the before
   mentioned security.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the
   Governor General, with a request that he will cause them to be carried into effect.

   Debate ensued upon the whole of the proposed Resolutions, with the understanding
   that the Question be put upon them revived.

   Question.—(1.) That this Council after maturely considering the subject of Immigra-
   tion in all its bearings, is of opinion that the continued prosperity of this Colony in
   a great degree depends upon a large and uninterrupted supply of labour—put and
   passed.
Question—(2.) That the increasing resources and population of the Colony, and the probability of a large and progressive increase of the Land Revenue, in the opinion of this Council, fully justify the policy of borrowing on the security of that Revenue the funds necessary to keep up such supply—put and passed.

Question—(3.) That, in the opinion of this Council, the further sum of £100,000 be remitted for that important object, so as to reach England by the month of June, 1855, and that such portion thereof as may be necessary be raised on the before mentioned security—put and passed.

Dr. Leng then moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That, in the opinion of this Council, the case of the handloom Weavers of the east and west of Scotland is deserving of special consideration, and that the sum of Twenty thousand pounds additional should be appropriated in promoting the immigration of suitable persons and families of that class during the year 1855.

Question put and negatived.

Whereupon Question—(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions, passed by this Council, be referred to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will cause them to be carried into effect—put and passed.

7. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill—Mr. Nichols moved pursuant to notice—
   (1.) That the Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz., The Attorney General, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, Colonel Barney, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Smart.

Question (1.)—That the Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill be referred for the consideration and report of a Select Committee—put and passed.

Question (2.)—That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz., The Attorney General, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Morris, Colonel Barney, Mr. Barker, and Mr. Smart—put and passed.

8. Fire Brigades Bill—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 3rd instant.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Roads and Railways—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice—
   (1.) That the Final Report from the Select-Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

Debate ensued.

Question—(1.) That the Final Report from the Select Committee on Roads and Railways be now adopted—put and passed.

Question—(2.) as amended by consent, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect; and at once adopt such measures as may be necessary to enable the Government, by the continuance of the Railway works, to provide employment for the laborers and plant now engaged thereon, until the whole subject shall have been finally determined upon—put and passed.

10. Postponement—The second reading of the Waterview Dry Dock Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Nichols, until Tuesday next.

11. Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to repeal certain sections of the Sydney Corporation Act, 18 Victoria, No. 41, and to amend the City Corporation Abolition Act, 17 Victoria, No. 38."

Question put and passed.

12. Postponement—The second reading of the Sydney Grammar School Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Tuesday next.

13. Colonial Spirits Duties Remittal Bill—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be now read a second time—

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair and the Council retire itself into a Committee of the whole House for the consideration of this Bill.

The Attorney General moved, That the Question be amended by adding after the word "Bill" at the end, the words "and that it be an instruction to the Committee that the following Clause be considered in substitution for the enacting part of the Bill, viz., 'Every person whatsoever on or before the said tenth day of November, being the third hundred and fifty-four, have made or entered into a contract or Agreement for the sale and delivery, free of duty, at any time after such day, of any Colonial made Spirits whereupon any additional duty shall be payable under the provisions of the said Act, shall be at liberty to add to the price contract for so much money as will be equivalent to the additional duty which shall be by reason of the said Act have been paid or be payable by him or any purchaser, or it shall be at the option of any such person having entered into any such
or such contracts for the delivery of Spirits, or of the purchaser thereof, before the delivery and receipt of such Spirits, to declare the contract null and void, and the same shall be and is hereby declared void accordingly.

And a debate arising on the point of Order, whether the proposed amendment, as involving matter for consideration not only foreign but also contradictory to the title of the Bill, could be entertained consistently with the practice of Parliament,

And the Speaker giving it as his opinion that the proposed amendment could not be entertained consistently with the practice of Parliament,

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question by leave withdrawn;

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Nichols, the Bill discharged from the Paper.

14. Carriers and Regulation Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for the Licensing and Regulation of Carriers plying for hire within the City of Sydney."

Question put and passed.

15. St. Paul’s College Incorporation Bill.—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

16. Postponement.—The consideration of the Governor General’s Message No. 52, proposing an amendment in the Cook’s River Bridge Bill, postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until Tuesday next.

17. Increased City Rate Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to enable the City Commissioners to levy an increased City Rate for the Current Half Year, and to regulate the amount of such Rate for the next succeeding Half Year."

Question put and passed.

18. Assisted Immigration Bill.—The Attorney General moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

The Solicitor General moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "read a third time," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clause V."

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clause V.—put and passed;

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with a further amendment, the Council adopted the same;

The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill, as so further amended, be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

The Solicitor General moved, That this Bill do now pass.

Question put and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to amend the Assisted Immigration Act."

Question put and passed.

19. Collieries Bill, on motion of the Attorney General, read a third time, and passed.

The Attorney General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for the Registration and Inspection of Coal Mines in the Colony of New South Wales."

Question put and passed.

20. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill Reported.—The Solicitor General moved, "That" the Report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Martin moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clause V."

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the further consideration of Clause V.—put and passed;

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

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

21. Estimates for 1854-5.—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council received itself into a Committee of the whole, for the further consideration of the Supplementary Estimate and Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1854-5, with Messages Nos. 30, 38, 44, 47, 51, 56, 58, 63, and 64.

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The Chairman reported that the Committee had gone through the various Items in the Supplementary Estimate for the year 1854, and in the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, as well as those additional Items proposed by the Governor General in His Excellency’s Messages No. 30, 33, 44, 47, 51, 55, 58, 63, and 64, to be appropriated for the year 1854-5, and brought up the following Resolutions:

(1.) Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1855:

(1.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,415 15s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of His Excellency the Governor General’s Establishment, for the year 1855; (the several Items of Increase of Pay to include the increased Military Allowance of 3½d. per day.)

(2.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £500, be appropriated to defray the salary of the Government Resident at Moreton Bay, for the year 1855.

(3.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £6,201 10s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Legislative Council Establishment, for the year 1855.

(4.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £14,709 2s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the General Post Office Establishment, for the year 1855.

(5.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,400, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Postage Stamp Printing Office, for the year 1855.

(6.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,470 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Post Master’s Establishment, for the year 1855.

(7.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £497, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Telegraph Stations, for the year 1855.

(8.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £900, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Light House Establishment at the South Head of Port Jackson, for the year 1855.

(9.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £242, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Floating Light Establishments in Port Jackson, for the year 1855.

(10.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £985 10s., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Light House Establishment at Gaba Island, for the year 1855.

(11.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £400, be appropriated as a contribution of one-third of the probable expense of maintaining the Light House Establishment at Kent’s Group, for the year 1855.

(12.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £184 15s., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Pilot in charge of the Station at Wollongong, for the year 1855.

(13.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,289, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Harbour Master at Newcastle, for the year 1855.

(14.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,056, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Harbour Master at Moreton Bay, for the year 1855.

(15.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £300, be appropriated to defray the salaries of the Establishment of the Harbour Master at Port Curtis, for the year 1855.

(16.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £502, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Floating Light Establishment at Moreton Bay, for the year 1855.

(17.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £470, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Pilot Station at Port Macquarie, for the year 1855.

(18.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £418, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Pilot Station at Clarence River, for the year 1855.

(19.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £470, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Pilot Station at Richmond River, for the year 1855.

(20.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £275, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of Steam Navigation Boards, for the year 1855, being £810 for the Board at Sydney, on condition that the Secretary thereof set also as Secretary to the Pilot Board—and £55 for the Board at Moreton Bay.

(21.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,057 10s., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Shipping Master’s Establishment at Sydney, for the year 1855.

(22.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £100, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Shipping Master’s Establishment at Newcastle, for the year 1855.

(23.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,800, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Colonial Storekeeper’s Establishment, for the year 1855.

(24.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £202 1s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and allowances of the Gunpowder Magazine Establishment at Goat Island, for the year 1855.

(25.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,282 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, and contingencies of the Colonial Architect’s Establishment, for the year 1855.

(26.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1851, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Botanic Gardens Establishment at Sydney, for the year 1855.

(27.)
(37.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,294, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of a Botanic Gardens Establishment at Brisbane, Moreton Bay, for the year 1855.

(38.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £775, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Outer and Inner Government Domain, and Hyde Park, Sydney, for the year 1855.

(39.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £7,837, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Government Printing Establishment, for the year 1855.

(40.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,313 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of Coroners, and the Salary of the Clerk to the Coroner at Sydney, for the year 1855.

(41.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,831, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Protestant Orphan School, at Parramatta, for the year 1855.

(42.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,190, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta, for the year 1855.

(43.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £29,586, be appropriated in support of Denominational and National Schools, for the year 1855,—being £14,586 for Denominational Schools, and £15,000 for National Schools; to be expended under the directions of the respective Boards of such Schools.

(44.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,000, be appropriated, during the year 1855, to provide for the allowance to the Commissioners appointed to visit the several Districts in which Schools are situated, to examine the Scholars, and to make a report on the state of Education, and the condition of Schools generally, at £3 each per diem, whilst employed, to include traveling expenses.

(45.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,717, be appropriated to defray the salaries of the Establishment of Health Officers and Medical Board, for the year 1855.

(46.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £280, be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of Vaccine Establishments, for the year 1855.

(47.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £50, be appropriated to defray the salary of a Clerk to the Medical Adviser of the Government, for the year 1855.

(48.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £7,205 10s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek, for the year 1855.

(49.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,612 10s., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Lunatic Asylum at Parramatta, for the year 1855.

(50.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £17,009 11s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gold Establishments within the Settled Districts, for the year 1855,—being £12,470 0s. 19d. for the Western and £4,539 10s. 3d. for the Southern Districts.

(51.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,703 2s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Gold Establishments beyond the Settled Districts, for the year 1855,—being £2,710 11s. 9d. for salaries for the Liverpool Plains, £272 7s. 6d. for salaries for the Oxley, £209 11s. 3d. for salaries for the New England, and £822 17s. 6d. for salaries for the Murrumbidgee Districts, £300 for allowances for the said Establishments, and £1,557 15s. for contingencies for the said Establishments.

(52.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £7,346 5s., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gold Escort Guards Establishment, including Conveyance of Gold, Money, and Escorts, for the year 1855,—being £1,349 10s. for salaries for the Western, and £376 10s. for salaries for the Southern Roads, £250 for contingencies for the said Establishment, and £5,000 for Conveyance of Gold, Money, and Escorts.

(53.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,000, be appropriated to meet contingent unforeseen Gold Expenses, in cases of emergency in the Gold Fields, for the year 1855, to be hereafter accounted for.

(54.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £290 14s. 2d., be appropriated to defray the salaries of the Gold Receiving Department, for the year 1855.

(55.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £12,005 1s. 5d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Establishment of the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, for the year 1855.

(56.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £20,069 19s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expenses of the Naval and Military Establishments, for the year 1855,—being £5,742 1s. 4d. for the salaries of the Naval Establishment, and £21,224 5s. 11d. for the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Military Establishment.

(57.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £6,724 0s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the expense of Volunteer Corps, for the year 1855.

(58.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,885 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Inspector General of Police, for the year 1855.

(59.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,118 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries of the Judicial Department of Police in the City of Sydney, for the year 1855.

(60.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £26,313 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Police Establishment of the City of Sydney, for the year 1855.

(61.)
(51.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,342 5s. be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Horse Patrol of the City of Sydney, for the year 1855.

(52.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,234 5s., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Police of the District of Sydney, for the year 1855.

(53.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,000 10s., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Sydney Water Police Establishment, for the year 1855.

(54.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £8,000, be appropriated to defray the salaries of Police Magistrates in Country Districts, for the year 1855.

(55.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,000, be appropriated to defray the salaries of Clerks of Petty Sessions, for the year 1855, being £4,000 for Clerks within, and £2,000 for Clerks beyond the Settled Districts.

(56.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £10,500, be appropriated to defray the salaries of Chief Constables, for the year 1855,—being £5,425 for Chief Constables within, and £5,075 for Chief Constables beyond the Settled Districts.

(57.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,904 12s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the salaries of District Constables, for the year 1855,—being £3,592 3s. 9d., for District Constables within, and £202 10s. for District Constables beyond the Settled Districts.

(58.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £36,080 10s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the salaries of Ordinary Constables, for the year 1855,—being £23,538 2s. 6d. for Ordinary Constables within, and £11,442 10s. 6d. for Ordinary Constables beyond the Settled Districts.

(59.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £12,002 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray Police allowances and contingencies, for the year 1855,—being £1,350 12s. for allowances of Police within, and £1,067 17s. 6d. for allowances of Police beyond the Settled Districts; £5,750 for contingencies of Police within, and £4,504 for contingencies of Police beyond the Settled Districts; £50 to meet rewards for informations against offenders; and £250 to meet contingencies and exigencies of Police generally.

(60.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £14,078 6s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Horse Patrol for Roads, for the year 1855.

(61.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £8,000, be appropriated for the salaries, allowances, contingencies, and stores, for the maintenance of a Native Police Force in the Northern Districts of the Colony, for the year 1855.

(62.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,325, be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Native Police in the Districts of Murrambridge, Albert, and Lower Darling, for the year 1855.

(63.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,500, be appropriated to defray the contingencies of the Police generally, for the year 1856, to meet claims for additional pay for length of service and good conduct, according to the scale of increase recommended in the Progress Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, and adopted by the said Council on the 17th September, 1852.

(64.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,618 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Sydney Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(65.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £6,081 10s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Parramatta Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(66.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,148 10s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Bathurst Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(67.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,945 2s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Maitland Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(68.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,235 2s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Goulburn Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(69.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,315 8s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Brisbane Gaol Establishment, for the year 1855.

(70.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,337 10s., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Penal Establishment at Cockatoo Island, for the year 1855.

(71.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,316 10s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Penal Establishment at Newcastle, for the year 1855.

(72.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500, be appropriated to defray the salary of the Colonial Agent General, for the year 1855.

(73.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £36,000, be appropriated to provide for the Temporary Increases to the Salaries of Public Officers, for the year 1855, according to the scale recommended by the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on 28th June, 1853.

(74.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,033 6s. 9d. be appropriated to defray Pensions and Retired Allowances for the year 1855,—being £200 as Pension to Lady Forbes, Widow of Sir Francis Forbes, formerly Chief Justice,—£200 as Pension to Lady Dowling, Widow of Sir James Dowling, late Chief Justice,—£100 as Pension to Mrs. Anne Kinchela, Widow of the late Mr. Justice Kinchela,—£100 as Pension to Mrs. Anne Petrie, Daughter of the late Captain Flanders, R.N.,—£100 as Pension to Madame Leichhardt, Mother of the late Dr. Leichhardt,—£183 6s. 2d. as a Retiring
Retiring Allowance to Mr. E. B. Stack, Master of the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 6th July, 1854, and £200 as a Retiring Allowance to Mr. Henry County, Clerk of the Record and Copying Branches in the Office of Legislative Council, in consideration of his special zeal and industry during a long term of service, and his loss of sight in the performance of the duties of his Office—in accordance with a Resolution of the said Council, passed on the 8th November, 1854.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £11,247 be appropriated to defray Charitable Allowances for the year 1855,—being £1,400 for the support of Free Pupils in the Colonial Hospitals, £700 in aid of the Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary, on condition of an equal amount being raised by Private Subscriptions, £5,547 in support of the Establishment of the Benevolent Society of Sydney, on condition of £1,000 being raised by Voluntary Contributions, £1,500 in aid of the Asylum for Destitute Children, Sydney, on condition of an equal amount being raised by Private Subscriptions, £1,400 in aid of Hospitals at Parramatta, Windsor, Balmain, Newstead, Fort Macquarie, Yass, and Brisbane, on condition of sums to an equal amount being raised by Private Subscriptions, £1,000 in aid of the Hospitals at Maitland and Goulburn, at £200 each, on the like condition, and £100 in aid of the Benevolent Society at Parramatta, on the like condition.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £12,600 11s. 10d. be appropriated to defray the expense of Public Works for the year 1855,—being £7,173 1s. 10d. towards the construction of the Dry Dock at Cockatoo Island, £5,300 to defray the expense of the employment of the Dredging Machine, £500 for upholding and keeping in repair the Breakwater at Newcastle, £60 10s. for attending to the Sluices at the Cook’s River Dam, the further sum of £300 for Improving the Wharf at Newcastle, £400 for repairing the Queen’s Wharf at Morpeth, and £1,000 towards improving the Navigation of the River Brisbane.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,500 be appropriated to defray the expense of Public Buildings for the year 1855,—being £2,000 towards making Alterations and Additions at the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek, and £1,500 for providing a Storehouse and Residence for the Superintendent and Keepers of the Light House, Gaba Island, including freight, and the conveyance of workmen.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £400 be appropriated to defray the expense of School Buildings, for the year 1855,—being £300 for Alterations and Additions at the Protestant Orphan School at Parramatta, and £100 for forming a Tank at the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £185 be appropriated to defray the expenses of Repairs to Buildings for the Gold Establishments, for the year 1855,—being £45 for the Northern District, £20 for the Western District, and £50 for the Southern District.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500 be appropriated to defray the expenses of Military Buildings, for the year 1855,—being £500 for incidental repairs to the Victoria Barracks, £100 for repairs to the Batteries at Dewar’s Point, Fort Phillip, Fort Macquarie, and Bradley’s Head, £300 for repairs to Military Buildings in Sydney, and £500 for repairs to Military Buildings in Country Districts.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,310 be appropriated to defray the expenses of Police Buildings within the settled districts of the year 1855,—being £400 for renewing the roof of the Police Office at Parramatta, £200 for additions to the Court House at Goulburn, the further sum of £130 for creating a Watch-house at Collector, the further sum of £290 for erecting additional Cells at the Police Office, Yass, £400 for erecting a Watch-house at King’s Plains, the further sum of £130 for creating a Watch-house at Hills, the further sum of £150 for erecting a Watch-house at Hargreaves, the further sum of £500 for erecting a Watch-house at Muswellbrook, the further sum of £150 for erecting a Watch-house at Weetherood, £1,500 for repairs, alterations, and fencing to Police Buildings and Paddocks, and £300 for Furniture and Fittings for the various Police Establishments.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,100 be appropriated to defray the expense of Police Buildings beyond the settled Districts, for the year 1855,—being the further sum of £550 for erecting a Court and Watch-house at Geynabah, the further sum of £900 for erecting a Court and Watch-house at Wagga Wagga, the further sum of £1,000, for erecting a Court and Watch-house at Wellington, £100, for erecting a Watch-house at Coba, the further sum of £250 for erecting a Watch-house at Armidale, £400 for erecting a Watch-house at Wauchope, £600, for repairs, alterations, and fencing to Police Buildings and Paddocks, and £150 for Furniture for the various Police Establishments.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000 be appropriated for the erection of Escort Station Houses, for the year 1855.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £770 be appropriated to defray the expense of Horse Patrol Buildings on the Southern and Western Roads, for the year 1855,—being £400, for the Southern Road, and £375, for the Western Road.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500 be appropriated to defray the expense of Buildings, for the Native Police to be stationed at Brisbane, for the year 1855.

Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,500 be appropriated to defray the expense of Goal Buildings, for the year 1855,—being £2,500 to provide for
for the employment of Prisoners sentenced to Hard Labor on Works in
Darlinghurst Gaol, £200, for the like purpose in Parramatta Gaol, £500, for making
additions to the Bathurst Gaol, £200, for emptying Cess-pools and removing
Night-soil at the Bathurst Gaol, and £195 7s. 4d. for sinking a new Well at
Bathurst Gaol.
(87.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the
expense of repairs and improvements in Hyde Park and the Government Domains,
Sydney, for the year 1855.
(88.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the
expense of repairs and improvements at the Botanic Gardens, Sydney, for the year 1855.
(89.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,000 be appropriated for the improve-
ment of Hyde Park, to be expended under the superintendence of the Hyde Park
Committee of Management, for the year 1855.
(90.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2000, be appropriated to defray the
expense of public works, Additions, and Alterations to Colonial Public Buildings,
for the year 1855, as per Return annexed (at pages 55 and 56) to the Estimates of
Expenditure for the said year.
(91.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1500, be appropriated to defray the
expense of Furniture and Fittings for Colonial Public Offices, for the year 1855.
(92.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,500 be appropriated to defray the
expense of constructing, upholding, and repairing the Public Roads, Bridges, and
Ferries, on which Tolls have been established, for the year 1855.
(93.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £20,400 be appropriated to defray the
expense of the Lending Thoroughfares of the Colony, for the year 1855.
(94.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,000 be appropriated for the Super-
vision of Repairs on the undermentioned Roads, for the year 1855, viz.:—the
Western Road from Parramatta to Bathurst, the Southern Road from Salt Pan
Creek to Goulbourn, the Northern Road from Morpeth to the Gap at Murburrawa,
and the Moreton Bay Road from Brisbane to the Gap leading to Drayton,—being an
allowance of £500 each per annum, to four Surveyors.
(95.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £600 be appropriated towards
the making of the Botany and Mud Bank Roads, for the year 1855.
(96.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £25 be appropriated to provide for the
repair of the Victoria Bridge at Maitland, for the year 1856.
(97.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £500 be appropriated towards the making
and repairing of Cleveland-street, Redfern, for the year 1855.
(98.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £100, be appropriated to defray the
expense of keeping in repair the Roadway of the Circular Quay, for the year 1855.
(99.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £600, be appropriated for erecting a
Bridge over Stanley Creek, near Durandar, for the year 1856.
(100.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £300 be appropriated to defray the
expense of Lighting the Government Lamps in the Streets of Sydney, for the year
1855.
(101.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £31,750, be appropriated to defray the
expense of the Conveyance of Mails, for the year 1855,—being £20,000 for the
said service within and beyond the Settled Districts, £1,500 for Foreign and Coast-
wise Mails, £150 for Landing and Shipping Mails, including Porterage, and £100
for Incidental Expenses connected with the supervision of Country Post Offices and
Postal Contraets.
(102.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £20, be appropriated in aid of the
Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, for the year 1855.
(103.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £29,975 be appropriated to defray the
expense of Stores, for the several undermentioned Establishments and Services, for
the year 1855,—being £2,100 for Civil Establishments, £300 for the Protestant
Orphan School, £750 for the Roman Catholic Orphan School, £10 for the Establishment
of the Health Officer at Port Jackson, £1,600 for the Lunatic Asylum at
Tarban Creek, £1,250 for the Lunatic Asylum at Parramatta, £390 for Gold Establish-
ments within the Settled Districts, £475 for Gold Establishments beyond the
Settled Districts, £290 for Gold Guards, £500 for Sydney Police, £100 for Water
Police, £700 for Police within the Settled Districts, £4,370 for Police Clothing,
£470 for Police beyond the Settled Districts, £380 for Horse Patrol on the
Southern and Western Roads, £350 for Gaols, £200 for Arms and Ammu-
nition for Gaols, £750 for the Penal Establishment at Cockatoo Island, £25,500
for Clothing for Convicts at the Gaols and Penal Establishments, and £2,800 for
Stores for Miscellaneous Services;—being £5,000 for Stationary, Bookbinding, and
Paper for Printing, for Services chargeable on the General Revenue, £2,500 for Fuel for
Public Departments in the District of Sydney, £200 for other Stores, and £3,000
for Standard Weights and Measures for carrying into effect the Acts of Council 10
Victoria, No. 34.
(104.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £28,000 be appropriated to defray the
charge of Miscellaneous Services for the year 1855,—being £1,000 for Postage of
the Colonial Public Departments, chargeable on the General Revenue, £200 for
Military and Naval Postage, £150 for Newspapers for Passed and for the Secretary
of State, £200 for preparing an Index to the New South Wales Government Gazette,
£50 for Public General Acts, Parliamentary Papers, Annual Army List, and Royal
Calendar, payable by the Colonial Agent General, £900 for preparing the Electoral
Lists in the Sydney and Country Districts, £130 for the compilation of Meteorological
Tables and allowance for Rent to the Keeper at the South Head of Port Jackson.
£100
£100 for the erection of Pounds and allowances to Poundkeepers within and beyond the Settled Districts, £70 for Binding and Lettering the General Revenue Account, £200 for Rent of Office occupied by the Principal Superintendent of Convicts, £30 for Provisions to be left at Botany Island for the relief of shipwrecked persons, £50 to provide a Queen's Plate, to be run for at Homebush, as an annual Race Course in the County of Cumberland, and under such rules and regulations as the Australian Jockey Club, with the sanction of His Excellency the Governor General, shall appoint, £6,000 to be paid to the first Steam Company which shall establish a monthly line of Steamers between Sydney and Great Britain, by which the course of Post shall be brought between London and Sydney under 120 days, the further sum of £3,000 to meet the expense of the collection and transmission to France, of any articles, the produce or manufacture of this Colony, intended for the Universal Exhibition to be held at Paris in May 1853, £10,000 to be paid to the City Commissioners in aid of the City Funds, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 9th November, 1852, and £2,000 to meet unforeseen expenses in cases of emergency, and to be thereafter accounted for.

(3) Supplementary Estimate for the year 1854:—

(1.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £350 10s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Establishment of His Excellency the Governor General, for the year 1854, (the several items of Increase of Pay to include the increased Military allowance of 3d. per day).

(2.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £171 9s. 4d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Legislative Council Establishment, for the year 1854.

(3.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £430 6s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the General Post Office Establishment, for the year 1854.

(4.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £598 0s. 1d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Port Master’s Establishment, for the year 1854.

(5.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £532 be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Harbour Master’s Establishment at Newcastle, for the year 1854.

(6.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £118, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Harbour Master’s Establishment at Moreton Bay, for the year 1854.

(7.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £440, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Pilot Station at Port Macquarie, for the year 1854.

(8.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £125 7s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Harbour Master’s Establishment at Port Curtis, for the year 1854.

(9.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,007 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Light House at Gebo Island, for the year 1854, (exclusive of the contribution of one half the expense by the Government of Victoria.)

(10.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £296 18s. 11d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Light House at Kent’s Group, for the year 1854, being a contribution of one-third of the probable expense of maintaining the said Light House.

(11.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £210, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Steam Navigation Boards, for the year 1854, being £150 for the Board at Sydney and £60 for the Board at Brisbane.

(12.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,970 7s. 4d., be appropriated to defray the charge of Shipping Masters’ Establishments, for the year 1854, being £1,676 8s. 6d., for the Establishment at Sydney, £170, for the Establishment at Newcastle, and £124 3s. 10d., for the Establishment at Moreton Bay.

(13.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £995 17s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Colonial Storekeeper’s Establishment, for the year 1854, with the understanding that one-fifth is to be deducted therefrom, as the proportionate contribution from the Territorial Revenue.

(14.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £537 10s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Colonial Architect’s Establishment, for the year 1854.

(15.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,102 13s. 2d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Government Printing Establishment, for the year 1854, (exclusive of a contribution of £200 from the Territorial Revenue.)

(16.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,104 1s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Corunna, for the year 1854.

(17.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,700, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Educational Establishments for the year 1854, being £200 for the Protestant Orphan School, and £500 for the Roman Catholic Orphan School.

(18.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £376, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Vaccine Establishments in Sydney and Country Districts, for the year 1854.

(19.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,886 13s. 2d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Lunatic Asylum at Turramurra, for the year 1854.

(20.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £125 4s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Lunatic Asylum at Parramatta, for the year 1854.

(21.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £10,405 5s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the charge of the Establishment of the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, for the year 1854.
(22.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5742 13s. 4d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Naval Establishment, for the year 1854.
(23.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5622 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Military Establishment, for the year 1854.
(24.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5530 16s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Volunteer Corps for the year 1854.
(25.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3198 4s. 7d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Metropolitan and Water Police, for the year 1854.
(26.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £160, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Water Police Magistrate's Establishment, for the year 1854.
(27.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £925, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Sydney Horse Patrol, for the year 1854.
(28.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £50, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Police Establishment at Batemans Bay, for the year 1854.
(29.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £108 9s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Police Establishment at King's Plains, for the year 1854.
(30.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3122 10s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Police in Country Districts, for the year 1854.
(31.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £835 2s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Police Establishment at Albury, for the year 1854.
(32.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £275, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Police Establishment at Tumut, for the year 1854.
(33.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1163 11s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Police Escort Duty on the Southern Border, for the year 1854.
(34.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £276, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Native Police Establishments, for the year 1854.
(35.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for the year 1854, of Increased Allowance to Constables within and beyond the Settled Districts, and of Horse Patrol, when absent at night on special duties.
(36.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £350, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of Forage for Police Horses within and beyond the Settled Districts, for the year 1854.
(37.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2304 15s. 11d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Gaol Establishment at Sydney, for the year 1854.
(38.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £717 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Gaol Establishment at Parramatta, for the year 1854.
(39.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1000, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Gaol Establishment at Bathurst, for the year 1854.
(40.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Gaol Establishment at Maitland, for the year 1854.
(41.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200 0s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Gaol Establishment at Goulburn, for the year 1854.
(42.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2413 18s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Penal Establishment at Cockatoo Island, for the year 1854.
(43.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £29 8s., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge of the Penal Establishment at Newcastle, for the year 1854.
(44.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1000, be appropriated as a Supplementary charge, for the year 1854, to meet deficiencies in the amount appropriated to provide for the Temporary Increases to the Salaries of Public Officers and others, according to the scale recommended by the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on 29th June, 1853.
(45.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £600, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Pensions, for the year 1854, being £100 as a Pension to Matron Leichhardt, mother of the late Doctor Ludwig Leichhardt, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 18th December, 1853, and £500 as a Gratuity to Charles Windeyer, Esq., late Senior Police Magistrate of Sydney, in addition to his Pension, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 29th August, 1854.
(46.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £657 14s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Orphans' Allowances for the year 1854, being a further sum of £351 14s. 6d., for the support of Poor Fathers in Colonial Hospitals, £350 towards the erection of a Public Hospital at Tenterworth, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions, and £100 in aid of the Armidale and New England Hospital, on the like condition.
(47.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £10,000, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for the Conveyance of Mails, for the year 1854, being £5,000 to meet deficiency in the amount voted for the Conveyance of Mails, and a further sum of £500 for Gratuities to Masters of Vessels for Ship Letters; and £100 for Incidental Expenses connected with the Supervision of Post Offices and Postal Contracts.
(48.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2100, be appropriated as a Supplementary charge, for the year 1854, for Grants in aid of Public Institutions, being £2000.
£2900 towards the completion of the Australian Museum, and £100 for the support of the Mechanics School of Arts, Goulburn.

(49.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £70,873 13s. 6d. be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Public Works, for the year 1854, being a further sum of £4,540 6s. 2d. for the construction of a Light House on Gabo Island; £1100 for defraying the "Shambles" for the purpose of a Light Ship at Moreton Bay; £2355 7s. 4d. to meet deficiencies in amounts voted for the employment of the Dredging Machine in 1853 and 1854, and for repairing the Launch connected therewith; £250 for examination of the Rivers Brisbane and Brunker, and removal of Obstructions to their Navigation; £120 to meet the expense of repairing the Dam of the Lake at Macalister at Brisbane; a further sum of £200, for completing the Pavement of the Sand Hills near Sydney; a further sum of £200 for the like service near Newcastle; £1000 to defray the expense of a Mooring Chain, and extension of the Jetty at Kiama; £1100 for preparing the ground for a Botanical Garden at Moreton Bay, and for fencing the same; £21,000 to meet the expense of constructing Machinery and for the erection of Buildings for the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint; £10,000 towards the construction of the Works for the Defences of Port Jackson, as detailed in the Message of His Excellency the Governor General No. 49, dated 4th October, 1853, and adopted by a Resolution of the Legislative Council on the 7th October, 1853; and £22,538 for Extensions of the Circular Quay, and for the Construction of a Wooden-plank Bridge over the Tank Stream, in a line with Pitt-street and the said Quay,—being £13,000 for the continuation of the said Quay from the termination of the present masonry to the Queen's Wharf, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 21st of July, 1858,—£8,455 for its further continuation from the Queen's Wharf to Campbell's Wharf,—and £500 for the construction of the said Bridge.

(50.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £18,850, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Public Buildings, for the year 1854,—being a further sum of £3000 towards constructing the Public Abattoirs on Glebe Island; £373 for alterations and additions to the General Post Office, at Sydney; £200 for alterations and additions to the Government Printing Office; a further sum of £500 for completing the Colonial Gunpowder Magazine, on Goat Island; £500 for constructing and fitting up an Office for the Inspectors of Weights and Measures, at Sydney; £400 for constructing and fitting up an Office for the Chief Comptroller of the Customs, at Sydney; £200 for the erection of a Court House at Newcastle; £300 to the Government Resident at Port Curtis; £300 for Compensation to Messrs. Inger and Tait, for losses sustained by them in the erection of the Treasury and Audit Office; a further sum of £200 for erecting a Watch-house at Clarence Town; a further sum of £200 for erecting a Watch-house at North Brisbane; a further sum of £200 for erecting a Watch-house at South Brisbane; a further sum of £100 for converting the old Commissariat Stores at Port Macquarie into a Police Office; £200 for erecting a Quartermaster's Office at Port Macquarie; £200 for the purchase of materials for the Employment of Prisoners sentenced to hard labor in the Gaol at Sydney; £150 for the like service in the Gaol at Parramatta; £148 for erecting the Cemetery at Albury; a further sum of £400 for Additions and Repairs to Victoria Barracks; £200 to meet deficiency in the amount voted for the erection of a Dead House; a further sum of £874 12s. 9d. for Lanterns, for the Light House, Newcastle; a further sum of £84 10s. 7d. for Repairs to the Protestant Orphan School, Parramatta; £215 15s. 10d. for the completion of the new Watch-houses in the Gaol, Darlinghurst; £100 for the construction of a Debtor's Prison and Turnkeys' Quarters; £450 11s. 10d. towards the erection of an Hospital at the Gaol, Parramatta; £210 for completing the Watch-house at Albury; a further sum of £500 for Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices; and a further sum of £4000 for Casual Repairs, Additions, and Alterations to Public Buildings.

(51.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £12,343 17s. 4d. be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Roads, Streets, and Bridges, for the year 1854,—being a further sum of £5000 for constructing the Bridge over the Yass River; £1507 17s. 4d. for completing the said Bridge, and making approaches to the same; a further sum of £4500 for constructing a Bridge over the Murrarrie Ponds, at Goulburn; £25 to provide for the repair of the Queen's Bridge at Mittagong; £100 for the repair of the Main Street leading through St. Leonard's, and connecting the Ferry with the Lago Cove Road; £200 towards improving the Town of Albury; a further sum of £570 towards the construction of a Road from the Flag Staff at South Head to Watson's Bay; and £500 for Repairs to the Roadway of the Circular Quay.

(52.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £10,770 4s. 5d. be appropriated to defray Supplementary charge for Stores for the year 1854,—being £4800 to procure from England supplies of Arms and Artillery as a Reserve Store; £1000 to procure from England a supply of Gunpowder as a Reserve Store; £300 for the Establishment of the Harbour Master at Newcastle; £200 for the Light House at Gabo Island; £100 for the Pilot Station at Port Macquarie; £30 4s. 5d. for the Police Station at the Clarence River; £30 for the Horse Patrol in Country Districts; £40 for the Albury Police; £50, for the Escort on the Southern Border; and £100 for Tools and other Articles required for Stamping Weights and Measures.

(53.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £30,800 be appropriated to defray the Supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1854,—being £100, to indemnify Mr. W. M'Taggart Dorney, J.P., (in accordance with a Resolution
Resolution of the Legislative Council passed on the 12th July, 1854,) for Expenses incurred in the Action brought against him by one Bernard Hartley for acts done in his magisterial capacity; £3000, to meet the expense of the collection and transmission to France of any Articles, the Produce or Manufacture of this Colony, intended for the Universal Exhibition to be held at Paris in May, 1855, in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council passed on the 13th December, 1854; £200 to meet the expense of erecting Booths required at Elections, under the Act of Council 14 Victoria, No. 48; £1000 to meet the probable expense of a proposed Expedition in search of Mr. Benjamin Boyd, in accordance with the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, No. 51, dated 25th October, 1854; £5000 for the purpose of affording temporary Relief to the Ministers of Religion of the different Denominations entitled to receive the same, in the proportion of fifty pounds to each Married, and twenty-five pounds to each Single Minister, on condition of an equal amount, in each case, being subscribed by the Laity, (in accordance with a Report of a Select Committee of the Legislative Council adopted by the said Council on 21st October, 1854,) and £20,000 to be paid to the City Commissioners, in aid of the City Funds, (in accordance with a Resolution of the Legislative Council, passed on the 9th day of November, 1854.)

Moved by the Auditor General that this Council do now adopt the foregoing Resolutions.

Question put and passed.

22. Appropriation Bill.—The Auditor General moved, pursuant to Contingent notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for applying certain sums arising from the Revenue receivable in New South Wales to the service thereof, for the year 1855; and for further appropriating the said Revenue.

Question put and passed:—
Whereupon the Auditor General presented the Bill, and Bill, intituled "A Bill for applying certain sums arising from the Revenue receivable in New South Wales to the service thereof, for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five; and for further appropriating the said Revenue," read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

Counsel adjourned at a quarter after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Campbell to move.—
(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yea River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Gunning, be now adopted.

(2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

2. Mr. Flood to move, That the Petition in reference to the insufficient provision in Boats, Bays, Anchors and Warps, for the Harbour of Newcastle, presented by him on the 21st instant, be printed.

3. Mr. Samuel to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause provision to be made in the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1855, for the salaries of Clerks of Petty Sessions at Tambaroora and Sofala.

4. Mr. Thurlow to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth,—
(1.) The names of all persons now employed by the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, showing the nature of the employment, and the salaries paid to each person, (excepting only laborers) and giving as near as can be ascertained the gross amounts paid for labor and material for the purposes of effecting improvements in the City of Sydney, from the time of the Commissioners' appointment to this date.

(2.) A Return of persons previously in the employment of the late Corporation of Sydney, (if any) who have been dismissed from office or occupation, and the grounds of such dismissal.

(3.) The nature of every Contract, (if there be any) involving a charge upon the City, entered into by the Commissioners, stating particularly the names of the persons so contracting, and the gross amount involved in the completion of every such Contract.

5. Mr. Parkes to move:—
(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Nautical School, be now adopted.

(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

6.
6. Mr. Holroyd to move.—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

7. Mr. Holroyd to move.—
   (1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on Land Reserves as places for Public Recreation be now adopted.
   (2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Waterview Dry Dock Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Grammar School Bill; second reading.
3. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:
1. The Solicitor General to move, That the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:
1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 65, with Public Parks Regulation Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 62, proposing an amendment in the Cook's River Bridge Bill.
3. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill Reported 1st; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Appropriation Bill; second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.
1. Mr. Parker to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.
2. Mr. Darvall to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.
3. Mr. Parker to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.
4. Mr. Holroyd to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Parks Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyden, presented by Mr. Darvall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.
5. Mr. Parker to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 22nd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.
6. Mr. Parker to move, on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON, 
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met, pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

(1.) Despatch from His Excellency the Governor General to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 23rd July, 1852, in reference to Reserves out of Pastoral Runs beyond the Settled Districts, with Minutes of Proceedings of the Executive Council on the same subject, dated 31st July and 17th November, 1851, and 15th May, 1852.

Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Crown Lands.

2. Botanic Gardens:—Mr. Nichols presented a Petition from T. W. Shepherd and M. O'Callaghan, representing that the practice of supplying plants and seeds from the Botanic Gardens, without charge, interferes with the business of Petitioners as Seedsmen and Nurserymen, and praying relief.

Petition received.

3. Pyrmont Bridge Company's Bill:—Mr. Nichols, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 9th instant.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill:—Mr. Nichols, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 24th instant.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Nichols then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

Question put and passed.

5. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:

(1.) Sydney Grammar School Bill:

CHRISTOPHER FITZROY,
Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council of the 23rd instant, the Governor General recommends to the Council the insertion in the Sydney Grammar School Incorporation and Partial Endowment Bill of clauses authorising the appropriation out of the General Revenue of any sum not exceeding £1,500 per annum, towards defraying the salaries of the Head Master and Assistant Masters of the Sydney Grammar School, and the Grant of £20,000 to form a Building Fund for the erection of the School Buildings, and of a Residence for the Head Master of the said school.

Government House,
Sydney, 28 November 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee with this Bill.

(2.) Spirits Duties Act Amendment Bill:

CHRISTOPHER FITZROY,
Governor General.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 5 and 6 Victoria, Cap. 70, the Governor General transmits to the Legislative Council the Draft of a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend an Act for increasing the Duties on Spirits."

Government House,
Sydney, 28 November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

6. Waterview Dry Dock Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Holders of Land at and in the Vicinity of Waterview Bay, praying that the Council will not pass this Bill.

Petition received.
7. Mrs. Ann Tallentire.—The Revd. Dr. Lang presented a Petition from Mrs. Ann Tallentire, representing that her late husband purchased from a person named McDonnell, an Overseer in the service of Government, a cottage which Government allowed the said McDonnell to build on the western side of Kent-street North; that Government has since granted the land upon which the cottage is built to the Roman Catholic Church; and praying relief.

Petition received.

8. Yass River Bridge.—Mr. Campbell moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the Yass River Bridge, in reference to the Petition of John Gunning, be now adopted.

(2.) That a copy of that Report be transmitted, by Address, to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

9. Harbour of Newcastle.—Mr. Flood moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition in reference to the insufficient provision in Boats, Buoys, Anchors and Warps, for the Harbour of Newcastle, presented by him on the 21st instant, be printed.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

10. Clerks of Petty Sessions at Tambaroora and Sofala.—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause provision to be made in the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1856, for the salaries of Clerks of Petty Sessions at Tambaroora and Sofala.

Question put and passed.

11. Morten Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill.—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 11th August last.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Parkes then moved,—That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Question put and passed.

12. Postponement.—Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Thurlow, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Thurlow fourth on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

13. Government Railways Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CHS. A. FITZROY,

Governor General.

Referring to the Address of the Legislative Council dated the 24th instant, the Governor General desires to intimate to the Council that he is prepared to adopt the principle recommended in the Report of the Select Committee which accompanies the Address, that the main lines of Railway throughout the Colony should be constructed by the Government. But at the present late period of the Session, and especially on the eve of a change in the administration of the Government, His Excellency does not feel at liberty to pledge the Government to any greater extent than may be required to provide for the continuance of the Railway Lines now in progress, so as to afford employment for the laborers and plant now engaged therein, until the whole subject shall have been finally determined.

2. In order, therefore, to confer on the Government the powers necessary to carry into effect the objects immediately in view, the Governor General transmits to the Council the draft of a Bill to make provision for the construction by the Government of Railways in the Colony of New South Wales, and for the appointment of Commissioners for Railways, and other purposes connected therewith.

Sydney, 28th November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Bill, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

14. Proposed Nautical School.—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Nautical School, be now adopted.

(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

Question put and passed.

15. Proposed Board of Public Works.—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be now adopted.

(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Nichols moved the Previous Question.

Debate continued.
Mr. Parkes moved, That the Debate be adjourned until Thursday next.
Question on the motion for adjournment of the Debate until Thursday next,—put and passed.

16. Land Reserves for Public Recreation,—Mr. Holroyd moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on Land Reserves as places for Public Recreation be now adopted.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

17. Postponement.—The second reading of the Waterview Dry Dock Bill postponed on motion of Mr. Holroyd, on behalf of Mr. Nichols, until the third Order on the Paper of Other Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

18. Sydney Grammar School Bill,—Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time;—
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

19. St. Paul's College Incorporation Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to Incorporate "St. Paul's College as a College within the University of Sydney."
Question put and passed.

20. Waterview Dry Dock Bill,—Mr. Nichols moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Berry moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to add at the end the words "this day six months."
Debate continued.
Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.
Original Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time; to be considered in Committee to-morrow.

21. Fire Brigade Bill,—The Solicitor General moved, pursuant to notice, That the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, stand on Order of the Day for to-morrow.
Question put and passed.

22. Public Parks Regulation Bill,—The Governor General's Message No. 65, received with this Bill on the 24th instant, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill for the regulation of Parks, and other places of Public recreation, convenience, health, and enjoyment," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow.

23. Cook's River Bridge Bill,—The Governor General's Message No. 62, received on the 21st instant, proposing an amendment in this Bill, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.
The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the amendment proposed by the Governor General to be made in this Bill, so far as regards the omission of Sections XXIII and XXIV,—
The Solicitor General moved,—That this Council do now adopt the said Amendment as so far agreed to.
Question put and passed.
The Solicitor General then moved,—That the Bill, with the said Amendment so far agreed to, be again presented to His Excellency the Governor General for the Royal Assent, accompanied by the following Message, to be presented by the Speaker:—

Message from the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General,
"Regarding to an Amendment proposed by His Excellency to be made in a Bill presented to His Excellency for Her Majesty's Assent, intituled, "An Act to form and make a Dam or Bridge, or both combined, across the River called Cook's River, in the County of Cumberland, in the Colony of New South Wales."

Agreeably to the provisions of the 30th Clause of the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land, 5th and 6th Victoria, chap. 76, the Legislative Council have taken into consideration an Amendment proposed to the Council to be made in the said Bill, by His Excellency the Governor General in His Message No. 62, of the 21st instant, and, having agreed to the same, so far as regards the omission of Sections XXIII and XXIV, beg to present the said Bill to His Excellency for Her Majesty's Assent, with the said Amendment so far agreed to.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1854.

Question put and passed.
24. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill Reported 1st:—On motion of the Colonial Treasurer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of Clause V of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill with a further amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow. Appropriation Bill, on motion of the Auditor General, read a second time; to be considered in Committee to-morrow. Council adjourned at twenty-five minutes after Eight o'Clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The ATTORNEY GENERAL to move, That the standing Rules and Orders be suspended, in order to allow the passing of a Bill "to amend the Spiritus' Duties Act of 1854," through all its stages on one day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 67, with the Spiritus Duties Act Amendment Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 68, with Government Railways Bill.
3. Fire Brigade Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Public Parks Regulation Bill; second reading.
5. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill; third reading.
6. Appropriation Bill; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. NICOLSON to move, That the Petition in reference to the Botanic Gardens presented by him yesterday, be printed.
2. THE REV. DR. LANG to move, That the Petition of Mrs. Ann Tallentire, presented by him yesterday, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Grammar School Bill; third reading.
3. Waterview Dry Dock Bill; to be considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. MARTIN to move,—
   (1.) That, by a Return laid upon the Table of this House on the 7th September last, it appears that a fixed increase has been made to the Salaries of certain Officers of departments, chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 13 and 14 Vic., cap. 50, and that on such fixed increase, in some instances, an additional temporary increase has also been granted.
   (2.) That, by the same Return, it appears that in some instances the fixed, in others the temporary, and in more both the fixed and the temporary increases have been charged upon and defrayed out of the Territorial Revenue.
   (3.) That, in the opinion of this House, such payments out of the Territorial Revenue are wholly unauthorized and illegal.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill; second reading.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Holroyd,—
   "(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be now adopted.
   "(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect,"—upon which Mr. Nichols had moved the Previous Question.
NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Trickett to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth,—
   (1.) The names of all persons now employed by the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, shewing the nature of the employment, and the salaries paid to each person, (excepting only laborers) and giving as near as can be ascertained the gross amounts paid for labor and material for the purposes of effecting improvements in the City of Sydney, from the time of the Commissioners' appointment to this date.
   (2.) A Return of persons previously in the employment of the late Corporation of Sydney, (if any) who have been dismissed from office or occupation, and the grounds of such dismissal.
   (3.) The nature of every Contract, (if there be any) involving a charge upon the City, entered into by the Commissioners, stating particularly the names of the persons so contracting, and the gross amount involved in the completion of every such Contract.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That this House do resolve,—
   (1.) That Her Majesty's Attorney General for this Colony having, on the 20th September last, stated in his place in Council, with reference to a letter signed "A Tipperary Celt," which appeared in a paper called the Freeman's Journal, of the 23rd September last, that such letter was seditious, and that he considered it his duty not to let it pass unnoticed, he was bound to prosecute the publisher of such seditious publication.
   (2.) That one Sitting of the Supreme Court, in its Criminal Jurisdiction, having been held in Sydney since the 20th September, at which no such prosecution was instituted by the Attorney General, this House deems it necessary to record its opinion that such conduct amounts to an assumption, on the part of the Attorney General, of a power of pardoning which is highly unconstitutional and illegal.
   (3.) That the foregoing resolutions be embodied in an address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

2. MR. DARVALL to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

3. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 17th instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

4. MR. HOLBROOK to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Penning Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyndes, presented by Mr. Darvall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

5. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill,) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 22nd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

6. MR. PARKER to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill,) That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House (as prayed for in the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant) against certain of the provisions of that Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,  
Speaker.
No. 92.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
   Assent to Bill: The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had
   been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Enclosed Lands Protection Bill.

2. Steam Communication between Sydney and Auckland: Mr. Pakey presented a Peti-
   tion from Mr. Lochhead, part owner and agent for the steam ship "William Denny,"
   representing the advantages that would result from the Establishment of Steam Com-
   munication between Sydney and Auckland by means of that vessel, and praying the
   Council to take the proposition into consideration.
   Petition received.

3. Papers: The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned
   Papers:
   (1.) Further Despatches and Papers, in reference to the transfer of the Customs
       Establishment to the Colonial Government.
   (2.) The Return to the Address in reference to Duties paid on Spiritia from the 6th
       to the 11th November instant, adopted, on motion of Dr. Douglas, on the 15th
       instant.
   (3.) The Return to the Address in reference to Duties on Colonial Spiritia, adopted,
       on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 21st instant.
   Ordered to be printed.

4. Crown Lands: Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from and
   laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on
   the 8th August last, to inquire into the operation of the Law regarding the Occupa-
   tion and Sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown, the Orders in Council, and the
   Regulations issued by the Colonial Government under them; together with certain
   Documents, by way of Appendix thereto.
   Ordered to be printed.

5. Sydney Severage and Water Appropriation Bill:--Dennis Guerin; Mr. Martin, as
   Chairman, brought up a second Progress Report from the Select Committee on the
   Sydney Severage and Water Appropriation Bill, in reference exclusively to the
   Petition of Dennis Guerin, referred to that Committee on the 17th instant.
   Ordered to be printed.

6. Sydney Severage and Water Appropriation Bill: Mr. Martin, as Chairman, brought
   up the Final Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the
   Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the
   11th October last.
   Ordered to be printed;
   Thereupon the Solicitor General moved, That the further consideration in Com-
   mittee of the Sydney Severage and Water Appropriation Bill stand an Order of the
   Day for to-morrow.
   Question put and passed.

7. Spirits Duties Act Amendment Bill:--The Attorney General moved, pursuant to notice,
   That the standing Rules and Orders be suspended, in order to allow the passing of a
   Bill "to amend the Spirits' Duties Act of 1854," through all its stages on one day.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed;
   Whereupon, on motion of the Attorney General, the Governor General's Message
   No. 67, resolved with this Bill on the 28th instant, read.
   The Attorney General then moved, That the Bill accompanying the Governor
   General's Message No. 67 be now read a first time.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put.
COUNCIL DIVIDED.

AYES, 23.

Mr. Flood.
Mr. A. Osborne.
Mr. Martin.

NEES, 3

Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Mr. Flood.
Mr. A. Osborne.
Mr. Martin.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER,
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.

THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.
Mr. Teller.

Mr. Nichols.
Dr. Douglass.
Mr. Hollicum.
Mr. Cowper.
Mr. Berry.
Mr. Collector of Customs.
Mr. Egan.
Mr. Dobin.
Mr. Darwall.
Mr. Samuel.
Mr. Macleay.
Mr. Campbell.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,
Mr. Parker.
Mr. Baxter.

THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands.
Mr. Allen.

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

Whereupon Bill, intituled, "A Bill to amend an Act for increasing the Duties on "Spirits," read a first time.

The Attorney General then moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time:

Whereupon, on motion of the Attorney General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time after the sixth Order on the Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.

8. Government Railways Bill:—The Governor General's Message, No. 68 received with this Bill on the 26th instant, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the accompanying Bill, intituled, "A Bill to make provision for the construction, by "the Government, of Railways in the Colony of New South Wales, and for the "appointment of Commissioners for Railways and other purposes connected therewith," read a first time; to be read a second time to-morrow.

9. Fire Brigade Bill:—The Motions contingent on the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of the Fire Brigade Bill, not being moved, they severally dropped; and, on the motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of that Bill.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again this day six months.

10. Public Parks' Regulation Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

11. Public Health Bill:—Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 19th July last, and to whom were also referred,—on the same day the Common Lodging Houses Bill, on the 25th of the same month the Sydney Paving Bill, on the 8th August the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hynens, and on the 18th September the Petition of certain Carrese Butchers.

Ordered to be printed.

12. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:—The Colonial Treasurer moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Delete ceased.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

The Colonial Treasurer moved, That this Bill do now pass.

Question put and passed.

The Colonial Treasurer then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to provide "for the establishment and endowment of Colleges within the University of Sydney."

Question put and passed.

13. Appropriation Bill:—On motion of the Auditor General the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

14. Spirits Duties Act Amendment Bill, on motion of the Attorney General, read a third time, and passed.

The Attorney General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "An Act to "amend an Act for increasing the Duties on Spirits."

Question put and passed.

15.
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Government Railways Bill; second reading.
3. Public Parks Regulation Bill; third reading.
4. Appropriation Bill; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. MARTIN to move,—
   (1.) That, by a Return laid upon the Table of this House on the 7th September last, it appears that a fixed increase has been made to the Salaries of certain Officers of departments chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 19 and 20 Vict., cap. 89, and that on such fixed increase, in some instances, an additional temporary increase has also been granted.
   (2.) That, by the same Return, it appears that in some instances the fixed, in others the temporary, and in more both the fixed and the temporary increases have been charged upon and defrayed out of the Territorial Revenue.
   (3.) That, in the opinion of this House, such payments out of the Territorial Revenue are wholly unauthorized and illegal.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty’s Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of Mr. William Lochhead, proposing the establishment of Steam Communication between Sydney and Auckland, by means of the Steam Ship "William Denny," presented yesterday, be printed.

3. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to renew his representation to Her Majesty’s Government of the case of certain Commuted Pensioners, as set forth in Resolutions passed by the Legislative Council of this Colony, on the 13th September, 1850, as follows:—"That this House having received a Petition from certain Commuted Pensioners, presented by the Member for Durham, on the 27th August last, which Petition..." and that this House recommends Compensation to such Commuted Pensioners as arrived in this Colony—having paid their own passages from the Mother Country—without receiving any compensation either in money or in land for the same, resolves as follows:—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House the prayer of that Petition is reasonable, and is such a prayer as deserves the support of this House.
   (2.) That in pursuance of the foregoing Resolution, this House recommends that a representation be made to the House Government by the head of the Executive Government in this Colony, favorable to the prayer of the above named Petition.
   (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying a copy of the said Petition, together with these Resolutions.

ORDERS
ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Penrith Hills Trainroad Bill; second reading.

2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Holroyd,—

   "(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be now adopted.

   "(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect,"—upon which Mr. Nicholas had moved the Previous Question.

3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Parkes,—"That the Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company’s Bill be now read a second time."

4. Waterview Dry Dock Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. Thurloe to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth,—

   (1.) The names of all persons now employed by the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, shewing the nature of the employment, and the salaries paid to each person, (excepting only laborers) and giving as near as can be ascertained the gross amounts paid for labor and material for the purposes of effecting improvements in the City of Sydney, from the time of the Commissioners’ appointment to this date.

   (2.) A Return of persons previously in the employment of the late Corporation of Sydney, (if any) who have been dismissed from office or occupation, and the grounds of such dismissal.

   (3.) The nature of every Contract, (if there be any) involving a charge upon the City, entered into by the Commissioners, stating particularly the names of the persons so contracting, and the gross amount involved in the completion of every such Contract.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That this House do resolve,—

   (1.) That, Her Majesty’s Attorney General for this Colony having, on the 26th September last, stated in his place in Council, with reference to a letter signed "A Tipperary Celt," which appeared in a paper called the Freeman’s Journal, of the 23rd September last, that such letter was seditious, and that he considered it his duty not to let it pass unnoticed, he was bound to prosecute the publisher of such seditious publication.

   (2.) That one Sitting of the Supreme Court, in its Criminal Jurisdiction, having been held in Sydney since the 26th September, at which no such prosecution was instituted by the Attorney General, this House deems it necessary to record its opinion that such conduct amounts to an assumption, on the part of the Attorney General, of a power of pardoning which is highly unconstitutional and illegal.

   (3.) That the foregoing resolutions be embodied in an address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty’s principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Holroyd to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Parity Bill), That Counsel be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hyndes, presented by Mr. Darwall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

 Asiatic Labor.—(Indian Immigration):—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 15th August last, to take evidence on the chartering and virtualising of the ships employed in bringing Indian laborers to this Colony, and the nature of the agreements entered into with those laborers, and to consider and report whether it is necessary or advisable to establish a Colonial Protectorate for this class of Immigrants.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Claim of Captain Dumasquez:—Mr. Nicholls, as Chairman, brought up a second Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee re-appointed, on the 7th June last, to take into consideration the Claim of Mr. William Brooks to an additional Grant of Land, in reference exclusively to the Petition of Captain William Dumasquez, referred to that Committee on the 19th July, 1853.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Assent to Bill:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Cook's River Bridge Bill.

4. Public Works Loan Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

G[.] H[.] A. FITZROY
Governor General.

The Governor General desires to call the attention of the Legislative Council to a discrepancy between the first and third sections of the Bill which has been passed by the Council and presented to His Excellency for the Royal Assent intituled "An Act to authorise the immediate execution of certain Public Works of a permanent character by means of Loans secured upon the General Revenue of the Colony," which appears to His Excellency to render it necessary that the third section should be amended by substituting the words "the said sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds" for the words "the said sum of one hundred and seventy-five thousand six hundred pounds"

2. His Excellency therefore proposes to the Legislative Council that the Bill should be amended accordingly.

Government House.
Sydney 30th November 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

5. Assent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—

- (1) Carters' Regulation Bill.
- (2) Assisted Immigration Bill.
- (3) Sydney Corporation Abolition Act Amendment Bill.
- (4) North Shore Steam Company's Bill.
- (5) Increased City Rate Bill.
- (6) Colliers' Bill.

6. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:

- (1) The Return to the Address in reference to opening the Avisford mail bags, adopted, on motion of Mr. Bligh, on the 8th instant.
- (2) The Return to the Address in reference to the withdrawal of Crown Lands put up for sale, adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 31st ultimo.

7. Postponements:—

- (1) The further consideration in Committee of the Sydney Soverage and Water Appropriation Bill postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until the fourth Order on the Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.
- (2) The second reading of the Government Railways Bill postponed, on motion of the Attorney General, until the remaining Orders on the Paper of Government Business for to-day shall have been disposed of.
8. Public Parks Regulation Bill, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, read a third time, and passed.

The Colonial Secretary then moved That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for the Regulation and Protection of Parks, and other places of Public Recreation, Convenience, Health, and Enjoyment."

Question put and passed.

9. Appropriation Bill, on motion of the Auditor General, read a third time, and passed.

The Auditor General then moved That the Title of this Bill be "An Act for applying certain sums arising from the Revenue receivable in New South Wales, to the service thereof, for the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and for further appropriating the said Revenue."

Question put and passed.

10. Postponement:—The further consideration in Committee of the Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill further postponed, on motion of the Colonial Secretary, until the Order of the Day in reference to the Government Railways Bill shall have been disposed of.

11. Government Railways Bill:—The Colonial Treasurer moved That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time—

Whereupon, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

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

12. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

CH. A. FITZ ROY, Governor General.

Agreedly to the provisions of the 30th Clause of the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land, the Governor General has to propose the following amendment in the Bill which has been passed by the Legislative Council, and presented to His Excellency for the Royal Assent, intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment and endowment of Colleges within the University of Sydney."

2. The amendment which His Excellency proposes is the introduction of the words "a certificate" in the last line of the 9th Clause, after the word "University."

Government House,
Sydney, 30th November, 1854.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

13. Government Railways Bill:—On motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments:—

The Solicitor General moved, "That" the report of this Bill from the Committee of the whole Council be now adopted.

Mr. Martin moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clause XV as printed."

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted, put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the further consideration of Clause XV as printed, put and passed:—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

14. Pawbrouking:—Mr. Holroyd, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the whole subject of Pawbrouking was referred on the 10th July last.

Ordered to be printed.

15. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill:—On motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

16. Salaries Increased out of Territorial Revenue:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That, by a Return laid upon the Table of this House on the 7th September last, it appears that a fixed Increase has been made to the Salaries of certain Officers of departments, chargeable upon Schedule A, parts 1 and 2, of the Act of Parliament 13 and 14 Vic., cap. 60, and that on such fixed increase, in some instances, an additional temporary increase has also been granted.

(2)
(2.) That, by the same Return, it appears that in some instances the fixed, in others the temporary, and in more both the fixed and the temporary increases have been charged upon and defrayed out of the Territorial Revenue.

(3.) That, in the opinion of this House, such payments out of the Territorial Revenue are wholly unauthorized and illegal.

(4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address and presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies. Debate ensued.

Question put: Council divided.

Ayra, 14.

Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Parker, Mr. Nichols, Mr. J. MacArthur, Mr. Bligh, Rev. Dr. Lang, Mr. Dobie, Mr. Morris, Mr. A. Osborne, Mr. Flood, Mr. W. Macarthur, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Martin, Tellers.

Nos. 8.


17. Steam Communication between Sydney and Auckland.—Mr. Parker moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. William Lochhead, proposing the establishment of Steam Communication between Sydney and Auckland, by means of the Steam Ship "William Denny," presented yesterday, be printed Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.

18. Motion withdrawn.—Mr. Parkes withdrew the motion standing in his name third on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

19. Bonded Store System.—Mr. A. Osborne, as Chairman, brought up the Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 20th August last, to inquire into and report upon the Working of the Bonded Store System, and the collection of the Customs Duty connected therewith. Ordered to be printed.

20. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill, having been read a second time, on motion of Mr. Nichol, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof. The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the Council adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

21. Proposed Board of Public Works:—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Holroyd, "(1.) That the Report from the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be now adopted. "(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor General, accompanied by a Copy of that Report, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause the recommendations therein to be carried into effect,"—upon which Mr. Nichols had moved the Previous Question,—resumed. Previous Question by leave withdrawn. Whereupon Original Question, as then by consent amended,—That a Copy of the Report of the Select Committee on the proposed Board of Public Works be transmitted to the Governor General, with a request that His Excellency will take the Report into his favorable consideration, and adopt, as early as may be convenient, the measures necessary for the establishment of a Department of Public Works in this Colony, on the principles therein recommended—put and passed.

22. Moreton Bay Immigration and Land Company's Bill:—The Adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Parkes, That this Bill be now read a second time,—resumed. Question put: Council divided.

Ayra, 9.

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Flood, Mr. Bligh, Rev. Dr. Lang, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Morris, Mr. Cowper, Tellers.

Nos. 11.


23. Waterview Dry Dock Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the House was counted, and there not being eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker adjourning the Council, at a quarter of an hour after Midnight of Thursday, until Friday, the 1st day of December instant, at three o'clock, p.m.

NOTICES
NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Thurlow to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth—
   (1.) The names of all persons now employed by the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, shewing the nature of the employment, and the salaries paid to each person, (excepting only laborers) and giving as near as can be ascertained the gross amounts paid for labor and material for the purposes of effecting improvements in the City of Sydney, from the time of the Commissioners' appointment to this date.
   (2.) Also on the employment of the Late Corporation of Sydney, (if any) who have been dismissed from office or occupation, and the grounds of such dismissal.
   (3.) The nature of every Contract, (if there be any) involving a charge upon the City, entered into by the Commissioners, stating particularly the names of the persons so contracting, and the gross amount involved in the completion of every such Contract.

2. Mr. Martin to move, That this House do resolve,—
   (1.) That, Her Majesty's Attorney General for this Colony having, on the 26th September last, stated in his place in Council, with reference to a letter signed "A Tippery Colly," which appeared in a paper called the Freeman's Journal, of the 23rd September last, that such letter was seditious, and that he considered it his duty not to let it pass unnoticed, he was bound to prosecute the publisher of such seditious publication.
   (2.) That one Sitting of the Supreme Court, in its Criminal Jurisdiction, having been held in Sydney since the 26th September, at which no such prosecution was instituted by the Attorney General, this House deems it necessary to record its opinion that such conduct amounts to an assumption, on the part of the Attorney General, of a power of pardoning which is highly unconstitutional and illegal.
   (3.) That the foregoing resolutions be embodied in an address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

3. Mr. Parkes to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee on Asiatic Labor, and praying that, in view of a renewal of Asiatic Immigration, His Excellency will be pleased to carry into effect the recommendation contained therein as to a Colonial Protectorate.

4. Mr. James Macarthur to move,—
   (1.) That this Council, on the eve of its prorogation, and of the departure for England of His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, desires to record its deliberate opinion of the practical ability, sound judgment, and eminent success, which, during a period of more than eighteen years, have characterized His Excellency's personal administration of the Government of this Colony.
   (2.) That this Council is more especially desirous to express its sense of the frank, cordial, and truly constitutional spirit on all occasions manifested by His Excellency in his communications with this branch of the Legislature,—a course which has been attended with the happiest results, and has in no slight degree tended to confirm that love of order, and that loyalty and attachment to the Parent State, which pervades all ranks of this community.
   (3.) That in bidding him farewell, this Council desires to convey to His Excellency the assurance of its best wishes, and to express its hope that His Excellency's Administration of the Government of this Colony may ensure to him a continuance of the confidence and favour of our most Gracious Sovereign.
   (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, to be presented to His Excellency by the House to-morrow.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 69, proposing an amendment in the Public Works Loan Bill.
2. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 70, proposing an amendment in the Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF NOTION.

Mr. Hodgson to move, (on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration in Committee of the Sydney Tramway Bill), That Council be now heard at the Bar of this House, as well as (if necessary) before the Select Committee to which that Bill is referred, as prayed for in the Petition of Mr. Thomas Hydes, presented by Mr. Darwall, on the first day of August, against certain of the provisions of the said Bill.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 1 DECEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Assent to Bills:—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—

(1.) Public Parks Regulation Bill.
(2.) Appropriation Bill.
(3.) Saint Paul's College Incorporation Bill.

2. Papers:—The Colonial Secretary laid upon the Table the several undermentioned Papers:—

(1.) Return to the Address in reference to the Australasian Steam Navigation Company's Wharf, adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 21st instant.
(2.) Return to the Address in reference to the Sale of Crown Lands at Moreton Bay, adopted, on motion of Mr. Smith, on the 3rd October last.
(3.) Return to the Address in reference to Officers in charge of the Lunatic Asylum at Turram Creek, adopted, on motion of Mr. Parkes, on the 17th ultimo.
(4.) Return to the Address in reference to the Punt at Raymond Terrace, adopted, on motion of Mr. Cowper, on the 7th ultimo.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Aborigines and Native Police, McLeay District:—Mr. Thurlow presented a Petition from certain Proprietors of Live Stock and Managers of Runs in the District of McLeay, representing that numerous murders have been committed within the last eight years by the Aborigines of that District; and complaining that the action of the Native Police Force which was raised as well for the protection of their District as for that of the Richmond and Clarence Districts, had been retained for upwards of two years in the exclusive protection of the latter Districts; and praying that some arrangement may be made to afford increased protection to their District.

Petition received.

4. Destitute Children:—Mr. Martin, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from and laid upon the Table the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed, on the 27th July, 1852, reappointed on the 17th May, 1853, and again appointed on the 8th June, 1854, to inquire into, and report upon, the best means of providing for Destitute Children, and preventing juvenile delinquency, with liberty to send for persons and papers.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Maitland Road Trust:—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from the Chairman and Members of the Maitland Road Trust, complaining of certain statements made by Mr. Collett in his Evidence before the Select Committee on Roads and Railways during the present Session, and praying that those statements be expunged from the records of the House.

Petition received.

6. Commissioners for the City of Sydney—their Officers and Expenditure:—Mr. Thurlow moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return setting forth,—

(1.) The names of all persons now employed by the Commissioners for the City of Sydney, shewing the nature of the employment and the salary paid to each person, (excluding only laborers) and giving as near as can be ascertained the gross amount paid for labor and material for the purposes of effecting improvements in the City of Sydney, from the time of the Commissioners' appointment to this date.
(2.) The names of persons previously in the employment of the late Corporation of Sydney, (if any) who have been dismissed from office or occupation, and the grounds of such dismissal.
(3.) The names of all Officers and others, not being laborers, who have resigned office, and the correspondence relating thereto.
(4.) The nature of every Contract, (if there be any) involving a charge upon the City, entered into by the Commissioners, stating particularly the names of the persons so contracting, and the gross amount involved in the completion of every such Contract.
(5.) A statement of the course adopted by the Commissioners for obtaining metal for the purposes of the City, and whether the Hornes, Carte, and Harwood employed have been obtained by Tender, or otherwise.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
7. Government Railways Bill:—Mr. Cowper presented,—
(1. A Petition from certain Shareholders in the Sydney Railway Company, praying to be heard at the Bar of the House in opposition to this Bill.
Petition received.
(2. A Petition from Thomas Stelafto Mort, a large shareholder in the Sydney Railway Company, praying to be heard at the Bar of the House against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.

8. Letter signed “Tipperary Celt,” published in the Freeman’s Journal:—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do resolve,—
(1. That, Her Majesty’s Attorney General for this Colony having, on the 26th September last, stated in his place in Council, with reference to a letter signed “A Tipperary Celt,” which appeared in a paper called the Freeman’s Journal, of the 23rd September last, that such letter was sedulous, and that he considered it his duty not to let it pass unnoticed, he was bound to prosecute the publisher of such sedulous publication.
(2. That one Sitting of the Supreme Court, in its Criminal Jurisdiction, having been held in Sydney since the 20th September, at which no such prosecution was instituted by the Attorney General, this House deems it necessary to record its opinion that such conduct amounts to an assumption, on the part of the Attorney General, of a power of pardoning which is highly unconstitutional and illegal.
(8. That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor General, with a request that he will transmit them to Her Majesty’s Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.
Debate ensued.
Notion by leave withdrawn.

9. Asiatic Labor.—(Indian Immigration):—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor General, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Select Committee on Asiatic Labor, and praying that, in event of a renewal of Asiatic Immigration, His Excellency will be pleased to carry into effect the recommendation contained therein as to a Colonial Protectorate.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

10. Farewell Address to His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy:—Mr. James Macarthur moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
(1. That this Council, on the eve of its prorogation, and of the departure for England of His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy, desires to record its deliberate “opinion” of the practical ability, sound judgment, and eminent success, which, during a period of more than eight years, have characterized His Excellency’s personal administration of the Government of this Colony.
(2. That this Council more especially desires to express its sense of the frank, cordial, and truly constitutional spirit on all occasions manifested by His Excellency in his communications with this branch of the Legislature,—a course which has been attended with the happiest results, and has in no slight degree tended to confirm that love of order, and those feelings of loyalty and of attachment to the Parent State, which pervades all ranks of this community.
(3. That in bidding him farewell, this Council desires to convey to His Excellency the assurance of its best wishes, and to express its hope that His Excellency’s Administration of the Government of this Colony may ensure to him a continuance of the confidence and favour of our most Gracious Sovereign.
(4. “That” the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, to be presented to His Excellency by the House to-morrow.
Debate ensued.
The Resd. Dr. Lang moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words thereof between the word “opinion,” in the first, and the word “That,” at the commencement of the fourth of the proposed Resolutions, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words following, viz.—
(1. That His Excellency’s Administration has, throughout, been a uniform concurrence against the Rights of the People of this Land.
(2. That, from the inestimable inefficiency of His Excellency’s Government, as well as from its utter inability to meet the wants of an unprecedentedly important crisis, this Colony, which was evidently designed by nature to take the lead in the Australian Group, has fallen from the high position which it might otherwise have easily maintained, and become, in the estimation of Her Majesty’s Government, of the British Public, and of the Civilized World, only the second in the list.
(3. That, in order to maintain and perpetuate the anti-popular system which has uniformly characterized His Excellency’s Government, the funds of the Colony have been lavishly expended in the maintenance of unnecessary Offices, and the payment of extravagant Salaries, while Public Works, of urgent necessity to the Community, in all parts of the Territory, have been postponed and neglected.
(4. That no such efforts, as were indispensably necessary under the extraordinary circumstances of the times, have been made during His Excellency’s term of Office to supply the Colony with an industrious population of the Working Classes from the Mother Country, and that the efforts of private individuals to supply this great desideratum have uniformly been frowned upon and systematically discouraged.
(5. That, notwithstanding the extraordinary interest which is now taken in Australia by the British Public, no efforts, as at all worthy of the name, have been made during His Excellency’s Government, in the way of Geographical Discovery, either
either by land or by sea, with a view to the opening up of this vast 
" Terra incognita " for the progressive settlement of a European population, although the able and 
"exacting Governor of a neighboring Colony has been gaining imperishable 
" laurels by demonstrating the practicability of navigating the great River which 
" forms the southern boundary of New South Wales for nearly 2,000 miles; 
" and that, while Great Britain and the United States of America have been 
"visiting with each other in their search for Sir John Franklin and his Com-

motions in the icy Regions of the North, the lamented Leichhardt, a name not less 
"illustrious in the annals of geographical discovery, has been left to perish miser-

ably in the Central Desert of Australia, and no effort, at all worthy of the Colony, 
"has been made to search either for himself or his remains.

(3.) That, instead of relaxing in any way the oppressive character of the Land 
"System, in accordance with the obvious intent and spirit of the Orders in Council, 
"His Excellency has voluntarily exceeded the powers entrusted to him for the 
"time being by the Imperial Authorities, in rendering that system still more 
"oppressive, and thereby curtailing unnecessarily the rights and privileges of a 
"misgoverned and down-trodden people.

(7.) That the moral influence which has emanated from Government House 
"during His Excellency's term of Office, has been detestable and baseless in the 
"highest degree to the best interests of this Community, and that the evil example 
"which has thus been set in the highest places of the land, has tended, more than 
"anything else that has occurred in this Colony these thirty years past, to bring 
"Her Majesty's Government into contempt, and to alienate from Her Majesty the 
"affections and respect of the Australian people.”

Debate continued.

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

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 28.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Flood.
The Attorney General, Mr. Parkes.
The Colonial Treasurer, Mr. Campbell.
Dr. Douglas, Rev. Dr. Lang.
The Solicitor General, Mr. Cowper.
The Postmaster General, Mr. Bligh.
Mr. A. Osborne, Tellers.
Mr. Bradby.
Mr. Darvall.
Mr. Holden.
Mr. Berry.
Mr. Dobie.
The Collector of Customs, Captain Dunnareq.
Mr. Barker.
Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, Mr. Bligh.
Mr. Samuel.
Mr. Egan.
Mr. Holroyd.
Mr. Marvin.
Mr. Parker.
The Auditor General, Mr. W. Macarthur.
Mr. Nichols.
Mr. Morris.
The Inspector General of Police, Mr. J. Macarthur.
Mr. Macleay.

Noes, 6.

Mr. Bligh.
Mr. Parkes.
Rev. Dr. Lang.
Mr. Campbell.
Mr. Flood.
Mr. Cowper.

Tellers.

Whenceupon, Original Question put.

Counsel divided.

Ayes, 28.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Bligh.
The Attorney General, Mr. Parkes.
The Colonial Treasurer, Rev. Dr. Lang.
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Mr. Bligh.
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Rev. Dr. Lang.
Mr. Campbell.
Mr. Flood.
Mr. Cowper.

Tellers.

11.
11. Government Railways Bill:—Contingent Notice of Motion received from Mr. Cowper, that (on the Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill being read) he will move, That Mr. Mort be heard at the Bar of the House against the passing of this Bill, pursuant to the prayer of Mr. Mort’s Petition presented to-day.

12. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

13. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

14. Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill, on motion of Mr. Nichols, read a third time, and passed.

15. Public Works Loan Bill:—The Governor General’s Message No. 60, received on the 20th ultimo, proposing an Amendment in this Bill, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendment proposed by the Governor General to be made in this Bill,—

The Solicitor General moved, That this Council do now adopt the said Amendment so agreed to.

Question put and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Bill, with the said Amendment so agreed to, be again presented to His Excellency the Governor General for the Royal Assent, accompanied by the following Message, to be presented by the Speaker:

Message from the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General,

in answer to an Amendment proposed by His Excellency to be made in a Bill presented to His Excellency for His Majesty’s Assent, intituled, “An Act to authorize the immediate execution of certain Public Works of a permanent character, by means of Loans secured upon the General Revenue of the Colony.”

Agreedly to the provisions of the 30th Clause of the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land, 5th and 6th Victoria, chap. 76, the Legislative Council have taken into consideration an Amendment proposed to the Council to be made in the said Bill, by His Excellency the Governor General, in His Message No. 60, of the 20th ultimo, and, having agreed to the same, beg to present the said Bill to His Excellency for His Majesty’s Assent, with the said Amendment so agreed to.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st December, 1854.

Question put and passed.

14. Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill:—The Governor General’s Message No. 70, received on the 30th ultimo, proposing an Amendment in this Bill, having been read, on motion of the Solicitor General, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for consideration thereof.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendment proposed by the Governor General to be made in this Bill,—

The Solicitor General moved, That this Council do now adopt the said Amendment so agreed to.

Question put and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Bill, with the said Amendment so agreed to, be again presented to His Excellency the Governor General, for the Royal Assent, accompanied by the following Message, to be presented by the Speaker:

Message from the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General

in answer to an Amendment proposed by His Excellency to be made in a Bill presented to His Excellency for His Majesty’s Assent, intituled, “An Act to provide for the establishment and endowment of Colleges within the University of Sydney.”

Agreedly to the provisions of the 30th Clause of the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land, 5th and 6th Victoria, chap. 76, the Legislative Council have taken into consideration an Amendment proposed to the Council to be made in the said Bill, by His Excellency the Governor General, in His Message No. 70, of the 30th ultimo, and, having agreed to the same, beg to present the said Bill to His Excellency for His Majesty’s Assent, with the said Amendment so agreed to.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st December, 1854.

Question put and passed.

15. Postponement:—The third reading of the Government Railways Bill postponed, on motion of the Solicitor General, until the next Order of the Day shall have been disposed of.

16. Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill, on motion of the Solicitor General, read a third time, and passed.

The Solicitor General then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “An Act for applying certain sums raised or to be raised under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1855, and the Sydney Water Act of 1853, for the service of the Years 1854 and 1855.”

Question put and passed.

17.
17. Government Railways Bill:—On the Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill being read,—
Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to Contingent notice given to-day, that Mr. Mort be now heard at the Bar of the House against the passing of this Bill, pursuant to the prayer of Mr. Mort's Petition presented to-day.
Question put and passed;—
Whereupon the Sergeant-at-Arms introduced Mr. Mort, who was examined at the Bar;—
And having withdrawn,—
Mr. Darrall moved, that this Council do now adjourn until to-morrow at Ten o'clock, and that the third reading of the Government Railways Bill be postponed until to-morrow.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Council accordingly adjourned at Nine o'clock, until to-morrow at Ten o'clock;—the Colonial Secretary previously intimating that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to say he would receive the Farewell Address of the Council at Government House to-morrow at Twelve o'clock, and would come down to prorogue the Council at One o'clock of the same day.

18. Contingent Motion dropped:—Mr. Holroyd not moving the Contingent Motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper, it dropped.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2.

Mrinda.—The Council meet at Ten o'clock:—The Governor General will receive the Farewell Address of the Council at Government House at Twelve o'clock; and will come down to prorogue the Council at One o'clock to-day.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Government Railways Bill; third reading.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.
SATURDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1854.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Government Railways Bill—Mr. Martin moved, "That" this Bill be "now" read a third time.

Dr. Douglass moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to add at the end the words "this day three months."

Debate ensued.

Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed."

Debate continued.

Mr. James Macarthur moved, That the Debate be adjourned, to enable the Council to proceed to Government House, there to present to the Governor General the Farewell Address to His Excellency, passed by the Council on the 1st instant.

Question on the motion for adjournment of the Debate for the said purpose—put and passed.

2. Farewell Address to His Excellency Sir Charles Augustus Fitz Roy.—The Council proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor General the Farewell Address to His Excellency, passed by the Council on the 1st instant.

The Council having returned, the Speaker reported that the Council had been to Government House, and had there presented to the Governor General the Farewell Address to His Excellency, passed by the Council on the 1st instant; and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following answer:

MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

It is with sincere gratification that I thank you for the Address which you have now presented to me; and for the opinion therein recorded of the success of my endeavours to administer, in a cordial and constitutional spirit, the Government of this important Colony. At the close of our long official intercourse, it is a source of pleasure to me to acknowledge the manner in which you have co-operated with me on all occasions; and I trust that the feelings of loyalty and attachment to the Parent State, which animate the Inhabitants of New South Wales, may long continue.

CHIEF A. FITZ ROY.

3. Assent to Bills.—The Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Bills:

(1.) Public Works Loan Bill.
(2.) Sydney Sewerage and Water Appropriation Bill.
(3.) Affiliated Colleges Partial Endowment Bill.
(4.) Spirits Duties Act Amendment Bill.
(5.) Sydney Grammar School Bill.
(6.) Pennant Hills Tramroad Bill.
(7.) Gold and Silver Currency Bill.

4. Government Railways Bill.—The adjourned debate on the motion of Mr. Martin—"That" this Bill be now read a third time,—upon which Mr. Cowper had moved by way of amendment, That all the words following the word "That" at the commencement, be omitted, with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed,"—resumed.

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted, be so inserted—put and passed.

Question—That this Bill be now recommitted—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the Council adopted the same.

The Solicitor General moved That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

The Solicitor General moved That this Bill do now pass.

Question put and passed.

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The Solicitor General then moved that the Title of this Bill be "An Act to make provision for the construction, by the Government, of Railways in the Colony of New South Wales."

Question put and passed.

5. Business of the Session.—The Speaker reported that of seventy-six Bills initiated during the Session fifty-three had passed and been assented to, one had been disposed of by the question of that day six months, three had been negatived on motion for second reading, two had lapsed by the House being counted out, one had been withdrawn, one had not been presented, five had lapsed in Select Committees, eight had been discharged from the Paper, and all proceedings on the remaining two had been rescinded.

6. Assent to Bill.—Prorogation.—His Excellency the Governor General having arrived at the Chamber, was conducted by the Speaker to an elevated seat provided for him near the Speaker's chair.

The Speaker then presented to His Excellency for the Royal Assent a Bill intituled "An Act to make provision for the construction, by the Government, of Railways in the Colony of New South Wales;"—Whereupon His Excellency declared that, in the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, He assented to the Act intituled, "An Act to make provision for the construction, by the Government, of Railways in the Colony of New South Wales;"

His Excellency then read the following Speech:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,—

The state of the Public business enables me at length to bring this protracted Session to a close, and to release you from your arduous duties, the performance of which must, I am aware, prove peculiarly inconvenient at the present period of the year.

2. Although it was my intention at the outset of the present Session to abstain, as far as possible, from pressing on your attention any but the most urgent matters pending the decision of Her Majesty's Government on the Constitution Act passed in 1859, and which there was then every reason to believe would have been submitted to the Imperial Parliament before its rising in August last—yet, upon a retrospect of the Session, it will be found that very many of the measures which have recently engaged your attention are not without interest, and that some of them are of great importance.

3. Amongst these the first place is due to the question of Immigration, one which has, I believe, in a greater or less degree formed the subject of deliberation during every Session of the Legislature for several years past. At the present moment the importance of this subject is in no degree diminished, and a continuous influx of Immigrants from the Mother Country is as necessary for the well-being of this Colony, politically and socially, as it was when she first made the attempt to import labor at her own cost. Shortly after my assumption of the Government the returning prosperity of the Colony justified the renewal of the policy, recognised during the administration of my immediate predecessor, of introducing a large number of Immigrants from the United Kingdom. Since that period the efforts made, with the like object, have been, considering the means of the Colony, almost incredible, and attended, as I conceive, with the happiest results. Entertaining these views I have readily yielded my assent to the measures that have been carried by your recommendation of a further payment of One Hundred Thousand Pounds, in addition to the sum advanced in the early part of the Session, should be placed at the disposal of the Land and Emigration Commissioners in London.

4. It would have afforded me great pleasure to be able to aid in any manner in facilitating the comprehensive system of Railway communication contemplated in the Address which you have caused to be presented to me; but the near approach of the termination of my Government renders it desirable and proper that I should leave the initiation of such an undertaking to the very able officer whom Her Majesty has chosen to succeed me.

5. For the like reason it is not my intention to give immediate effect to some other of your recommendations—such as the suggested scientific examination of the Rivers Hunter and Brisbane.

6. Having said so much on matters affecting the material prosperity of the Colony, I pass on to the subject of Education. Two years since I had the satisfaction to assent to a Bill for establishing the University of Sydney. It has afforded me much pleasure this session to propose for your adoption the endowment of Saffran Colleges, and to concur with you in founding and endowing a Public Grammar School in the City of Sydney. Whilst the higher branches of Education are thus liberally provided for, I have also on your recommendation appointed a Commission to inquire into the state of Education throughout the Colony, and I trust that the result of its labors will be to increase the efficiency of our Primary Schools. I am unwilling to lose this opportunity of recording my opinion that the efforts made in the cause of Education in this Colony are in the highest degree creditable to its inhabitants, and to you as their representatives. Bearing in mind the small number of the population, the sums appropriated in aid of Public Education in various grades, will bear favorable comparison with the contributions for the like purposes of any other community whatsoever.

7. I thank you for the liberality with which you have voted the Supplies for next year. I can have no doubt that the sums placed at the disposal of the Government will be used with the greatest amount of economy, compatible with the efficiency
of the Public Service. I have also to thank you for the readiness with which you
assented to the increase of Duty on Spirits, rendered necessary by the exigencies of
the service.

8. It was not without regret that I consented to make any alteration, how-
ever slight, in the Tariff of this Colony, which has hitherto worked so well. But
large additions having recently been made to the permanent expenditure, it became
absolutely necessary that the Ordinary Revenue should be augmented, and the article
chosen for the imposition of the higher duty was conceived to be the most appropriate
one, and not the less from the fact, but too apparent, that the almost unprecedented
wealth of the Colony, and especially the very remuneration of labor, were
unfortunately producing habits of intemperance which are deeply to be deplored.
Although, however, it was found necessary slightly to increase the Public Revenue,
it must not be inferred that the public prosperity is at all impaired. On the
contrary I am enabled to congratulate you on the present, as on many previous
occasions, on the continued progress of the Colony in all its material interests.

9. I have recently been informed by the Right Honorable the Secretary of
State that an Expedition is being fitted out by Her Majesty's Government for the
exploration of the interior of this Continent. I am not without hope that advantage
may be taken of this expedition, which will probably rendezvous in the first instance
at Moreton Bay, to carry out the recommendation contained in your Address of
19 July last, namely to endeavour to ascertain the ultimate fate of Dr. Leichhardt
and his Party.

10. In compliance with your Address to me on this subject I will at once
appoint a Commission to inquire into and report upon the Lunatic Asylums of the
Colony. I have every expectation that I shall be able to secure the services on
this Commission of gentlemen in whose ability and fitness for the duty the Public
will have confidence.

11. The several other Addresses which you have presented to me, and which
have not been specially responded to, have received, or will hereafter receive, every
attention.

12. At an earlier period of the Session I informed you that by Her Majesty's
pleasure I was at length about to be relieved in the administration of this Govern-
ment—an administration which has considerably exceeded in duration the usual
limits. In now addressing you for the last time, I have the satisfaction to reflect
that the cordiality which marked my intercourse with yourselves and your predecessors
has happily been preserved to the end. I willingly bear testimony to the zeal and
ability with which you have always performed your public duties, and I cherish the
most fervent aspirations for the continued well being of the noble Colony committed
to your care.

13. I now declare this Council to stand prorogued to Tuesday the Sixteenth
day of January next.

2 December 1854.

CHA. A. FITZ ROY.

His Excellency then retired, being conducted to the door by the Speaker, and the
Council stood prorogued accordingly to Tuesday the Sixteenth day of January next.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,
Speaker.