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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 10 JANUARY, 1861.

1. Opening of Parliament:—The House met at Twelve o'clock, at noon, pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 20th day of December last, of which a copy was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

“ PROCLAMATION.

“ *By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all Her Majesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia, 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.*

“ In pursuance of the power and authority vested in me, as such Governor as aforesaid, by virtue of the Act, intituled, ‘ *An Act to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty,*’ as assented to by Her Majesty, under the authority of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the Session of the 18th and 19th years of the reign of Her said Majesty, intituled, ‘ *An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended, of the Legislature of New South Wales, to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty,*’ I do hereby proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the Colony of New South Wales, for the despatch of business, shall commence and be holden on Thursday, the tenth day of January next, at 12 o'clock at noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney, and the Members of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

“ Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney, this twentieth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

“ (L.S.) W. DENISON.

“ *By His Excellency's Command,*
“ CHARLES COWPER.

“ GOD SAVE THE QUEEN !”

The Usher of the Black Rod, being admitted, delivered a Message, that “ The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission read.”

The House went, and the President said—“ Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—His Excellency the Governor General not thinking fit to be personally present here this day, has been pleased to cause a Commission to be issued under the Great Seal of the Colony, constituting us Commissioners, to do all things necessary to be performed by the Governor General, in the name or on the part of Her Majesty the Queen, or in the name or on the part of His Excellency as Governor of the Colony, in order to the opening and holding of this Parliament, as will more fully appear by the Commission itself, which must now be read,”—

Whereupon the Clerk of the Council read the said Commission, as follows:—

“ *Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

“ To all to whom these Presents shall come,

“ *Greeting :*

“ Whereas by Proclamation made on the twentieth day of December last, by His Excellency Sir William Thomas Denison, Our Governor General of Our Australian Colonies,

“ Colonies, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief of Our Colony of New South
 “ Wales, the said Sir William Thomas Denison did, in pursuance of the power and
 “ authority vested in him as Governor of New South Wales, by virtue of the Act of
 “ the late Legislature thereof, intituled, ‘ *An Act to confer a Constitution on the*
 “ *said Colony and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty,*’ as assented to by Us,
 “ proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, consti-
 “ tuted under the said Act, and composing the Parliament of the said Colony of New
 “ South Wales, should commence and be holden on Thursday, the tenth day of January
 “ now instant. And whereas for certain causes Our said Governor cannot conveniently
 “ be present in person at the opening of the said Session on the said tenth day of
 “ January: Now know ye, that we, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our
 “ trusty and well beloved The Honorable Sir William Westbrooke Burton, Knight,
 “ President of the said Legislative Council, The Honorable John Fletcher Hargrave,
 “ Esquire, Attorney General of New South Wales, and the Honorable George Allen,
 “ Esquire, Do give and grant by the tenor of these Presents unto the said Sir
 “ William Westbrooke Burton, John Fletcher Hargrave, and George Allen, so being
 “ such President and Members of the said Legislative Council, or any two of them,
 “ full power in Our name to open and hold the said Session of the said Legislative
 “ Council and Legislative Assembly, on the said tenth day of January, on Our behalf,
 “ and to do all things necessary to be done, in Our name, or in the name of Our
 “ Governor of Our said Colony, in and about the opening and holding of the said
 “ Parliament, commanding also, by the tenor of these Presents, all whom it con-
 “ cerns to meet in the said Parliament, that to the said Sir William Westbrooke
 “ Burton, John Fletcher Hargrave, and George Allen, or any two of them, they
 “ diligently attend in the premises in the form aforesaid.

“ In testimony whereof we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

“ Witness, Our Trusty and Well-beloved SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON,
 “ Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor
 “ General in and over all our Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania,
 “ Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia, and Captain General
 “ and Governor-in-Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its
 “ Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at Government House,
 “ Sydney, in New South Wales aforesaid, on the ninth day of January,
 “ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one,
 “ and in the twenty-fourth year of our Reign.

“ W. DENISON.

“ *By His Excellency's Command, and with the advice of the*
 “ *Executive Council,*

“ CHARLES COWPER.”

The President then said—

“ Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council and Gentlemen of the Legislative
 “ Assembly,

“ We have it in Command from the Governor General to let you know, That as soon
 “ as the Members of both Houses shall have been sworn, His Excellency will declare
 “ the causes of this Parliament being called together; and it being necessary that a
 “ Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be first chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure
 “ that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your own Chamber,
 “ and there proceed to the Election of one of your number to be Speaker.”

2. Members Sworn:—The House being returned, the Honorable Charles Cowper, Esquire,
 informed the Assembly that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased
 to issue a Commission, under the Seal of the Territory, empowering him and two
 other Members of the House therein named, to administer to each other, and to all or
 any other Member or Members of the House, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance
 required by Law to be taken or made and subscribed before any Member can sit or
 vote therein, which Commission was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

“ *By His Excellency Sir William Thomas Denison, Knight Commander of the Most*
 “ *Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all Her Majesty's*
 “ *Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, and*
 “ *Western Australia, 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.*

“ To all to whom these presents shall come,

“ Greeting:

“ In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir William Thomas
 “ Denison, as Governor of the said Colony of New South Wales, do hereby authorize
 “ the Honorable Charles Cowper, Esquire, Colonial Secretary, the Honorable John
 “ Robertson, Esquire, Secretary for Lands, and the Honorable Elias Carpenter
 “ Weekes, Esquire, Colonial Treasurer, or any one or more of them, to administer to
 “ all or any Members or Member of the Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, the

Oath

" Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to the Queen, required by law to be taken or
 " made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall be permitted to sit
 " or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

" Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Territory, at Government House,
 " Sydney, this ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one
 " thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the twenty-fourth year of
 " the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

" W. DENISON.

" *By His Excellency's Command, and with the advice of the*
 " *Executive Council,*

" CHARLES COWPER."

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper took and subscribed the Oath himself, and administered the same to the two other Commissioners, the Honorable John Robertson, Esquire, and the Honorable Elias Carpenter Weekes, Esquire, and then the Commissioners respectively signed the Roll of the House, and administered the Oath to all the other Members present,—the Clerk producing the several Writs returning them, and the Members subscribing the Roll as they were severally called to the Table.

3. Election of Speaker:—The Honorable Charles Cowper, Esquire, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), proposed to the House for their Speaker, Terence Aubrey Murray, Esquire, and moved,—“ That Terence Aubrey Murray, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House, as Speaker,” which motion was seconded by Henry Parkes, Esquire.

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

The House then again unanimously calling Mr. Murray to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Mr. Cowper and Mr. Parkes, and conducted to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgments to the House for the great honor they had been pleased to confer upon him by unanimously choosing him to be again their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair.

Then, Mr. Robertson having congratulated the Speaker,—

Mr. Cowper acquainted the House that he had previously ascertained from the Governor General that His Excellency would receive their Speaker at Government House to-morrow, at half-past Eleven o'clock a.m.

Whereupon the House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at a quarter-past One o'clock, until To-morrow, at Eleven o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11.

MEMO.—The House to meet at Eleven o'clock A.M. this day, to proceed to Government House and there, at half-past Eleven o'clock A.M., to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor General.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 11 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Members sworn :—
 - (1.) Charles Hamilton Walsh, Esquire, having taken the Oath before one of the Commissioners, and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Goulburn.
 - (2.) Alexander McArthur, Esquire, having taken the Oath before one of the Commissioners, and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Newtown.
2. Presentation of Speaker :—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the House proceeded to Government House, to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor General,—And the House being returned, the Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, where he informed the Governor General that, immediately after the Opening of Parliament yesterday, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted right, had proceeded to the Election of their Speaker,—that their choice had fallen upon him—and that he had now to present himself to His Excellency as the Speaker of the House;—whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer him his congratulations on the high honor and distinction conferred upon him.—That he had then, on behalf of the House, laid claim to all their rights and privileges, and requested that the most favorable construction should, on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings;—to all which His Excellency had readily assented.
3. Members sworn :—
 - (1.) George Markham, Esquire, having taken the Oath before one of the Commissioners, and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of New England.
 - (2.) Clark Irving, Esquire, having taken the Oath before one of the Commissioners, and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Clarence.
4. Message from the Governor General :—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted, delivered a Message, that “ It is the pleasure of the Governor General that this “ Honorable House do attend His Excellency forthwith in the Legislative Council “ Chamber.”
The House went, and being returned, adjourned until Three o'clock.
5. Speaker's Commission to administer the Oath :—The House having resumed, the Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor General had been pleased to issue a Commission, under the Seal of the Territory, empowering him to administer the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to such Members as may hereafter present themselves to be sworn—which Commission was read at length by the Clerk, as follows :—

“ By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight Commander of the
“ Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all
“ Her Majesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South
“ Australia, and Western Australia, 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.

“ To all to whom these Presents shall come,
“ Greeting :

“ In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, SIR WILLIAM
“ THOMAS DENISON, as Governor of the Colony of New South Wales, do hereby
“ authorize the Honorable Terence Aubrey Murray, Esquire, Speaker of the Legislative
“ Assembly of the said Colony, to administer from time to time, as occasion may
“ require,

" require, to any Member or Members of the said Assembly, the Oath or Affirmation
 " of Allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen, required by Law to be taken or made and
 " subscribed by every such Member before he shall be permitted to Sit or Vote
 " in the said Legislative Assembly.

" Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Territory, at Government
 " House, Sydney, this Eleventh day of January, in the year of Our
 " Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the
 " twenty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

" W. DENISON.

" *By His Excellency's Command, and with the advice of the*
 "*Executive Council,*

" CHARLES COWPER."

6. Member Sworn :—William Macleay, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Murrumbidgee.
7. Ordnance Land Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "*A Bill for confirming the Transfer to the Secretary at War in England from the Principal Officers of Ordnance there, of certain Lands in New South Wales, and for Amending the Ordnance Land Act of Council, 1840,*"—read a first time.
8. Papers :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Report of the Board of National Education for the year 1859.
 - (2.) Despatch, dated 13 October, 1860, relative to Military Assistance to New Zealand.
 - (3.) Despatches respecting Artillery Force serving in the Colony.
 - (4.) Third Report on Observatory, at Sydney.
 Ordered to be printed.
9. Messages :—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor General, received and read :—

(1.) Approaching Departure of His Excellency Sir William Denison for India :—

W. DENISON,

Message No. 1.

Governor General.

The Governor General lays before the Legislative Assembly a Despatch with which he has been honored by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, conveying to him the necessary authority for quitting New South Wales without delay, in order to proceed to India to assume the Government of the Presidency of Madras.

The Governor General is aware that some inconvenience may perhaps result from his departure at the commencement of the Session of Parliament, but it was necessary that Parliament should meet as early as possible, and it was equally necessary that no delay should take place in the assumption by His Excellency of the Government of Madras.

The Governor General avails himself of this opportunity of expressing his confidence that the Members of the Assembly will be guided in their deliberations by an anxious desire to forward the best interests of the Colony.

Government House,

Sydney, 11 January, 1861.

(Despatch referred to in Message No. 1.)

New South Wales.

Downing-street,

Separate.

26th October, 1860.

SIR,

I have much pleasure in conveying to you the necessary authority for quitting New South Wales, in the event of your accepting the offer, which has been made to you through the Secretary of State for India, of the Government of Madras, as you may find it expedient to repair to that Presidency without delay.

I cannot allow the connection which has so long existed between you and this Department to cease, without expressing the high sense which Her Majesty's Government entertain of the energy and ability with which you have invariably performed the very responsible duties intrusted to you, to the great advantage of the Colonies over which you have presided.

I have, &c.,

GOVERNOR SIR W. DENISON,

J. RUSSELL.

&c., &c., &c.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Assent to Titles to Land Act Amendment Bill of 1860 :—

W. DENISON,

Message No. 2.

Governor General.

A Bill intituled, "*An Act to amend the Titles to Land Act of 1858, and to legalize certain signatures thereunder,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 11th January, 1861.

10. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill:—Mr. Blake presented a Petition from certain Directors of the Colonial Bank of Australasia, praying for leave to introduce a Bill for the Incorporation of the said Company,—
And Mr. Blake having produced the *Government Gazette* and the *Sydney Morning Herald* newspaper, containing notice for four consecutive weeks in the months of December, 1860, and January, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
11. The Governor General's Opening Speech:—The Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Governor General in the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Excellency delivered an Opening Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained a copy, which he then read to the House at length, as follows:—

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

I have availed myself of the earliest opportunity of obtaining your advice and assistance after the Dissolution of the late Parliament, in order that no unnecessary delay may take place in passing several measures of urgent importance, some of which occupied the attention of Parliament at the close of last year.

2. Bills for constituting an Elective Legislative Council, and for reforming the administration of the Crown Lands, will be forthwith presented to you. Measures will also be laid before you, having for their object legal and social improvements.

3. Notwithstanding the commercial depression which has prevailed during the past year, it is gratifying to me to be able to assure you that the general condition of the Colony is satisfactory. While deeply lamenting the disastrous floods with which, more severely than had ever been known since the foundation of the Colony, some Districts have been visited, we have, nevertheless, especial cause to be grateful to Divine Providence for a bountiful harvest and for the abundance of our pastoral productions. Ample employment, at remunerative rates, exists throughout the various rural districts, crime and intemperance are diminishing, justice is administered throughout the Colony with more efficiency than formerly, and the continued applications for the establishment of Municipal Institutions shew that the advantages of local self-government are more generally appreciated.

4. The Government Securities continue to maintain a high value in both the English and Colonial markets.

5. It is highly gratifying to observe that the loyal and patriotic spirit which induced the Colonists to enrol themselves as Volunteers has suffered no abatement; and their zealous and steady perseverance in qualifying themselves for active military service deserves every commendation. I rely upon your liberality to make such provision as may be necessary to encourage and maintain the various Corps in a state of efficiency.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

6. The Supplementary Estimates for the year 1860, and the Estimates for 1861, which were laid before the Assembly during the last Session, will be submitted to you, accompanied by a Memorandum explanatory of such alterations as have since appeared desirable.

7. The estimated revenue from the Land Sales during last year has not been fully realized. I trust, however, that a satisfactory settlement of the Land question may so inspire public confidence as to ensure, in future, a more desirable result. It is encouraging to know that the Gold Revenue, and the Receipts at the Mint, exhibit considerable increase, which justifies our looking forward with confidence to the greater development of this important interest. The apparent diminution in the gross Consolidated Revenue of the Colony for the year 1860, as compared with 1859, may be, in a great degree, accounted for by the separation of that portion of the territory which now forms the Colony of Queensland.

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

8. No legal provision having been made for the Public Expenditure during the present year, a Bill for authorizing the payment of the Government Departments and other necessary services for a limited period, pending the passing of the Estimates, will be immediately presented to you.

9. The Parliament of Queensland having passed an Act appointing Commissioners for adjusting the Accounts of that Colony with New South Wales, in conjunction with Commissioners to be appointed for a like purpose by this Colony, a Bill will be introduced having that object in view.

10. The importance of determining the general scheme by which the means of transit for goods and passengers shall be supplied upon the main trunk lines of the Colony is continually increasing. It is hoped that the experience which has been gained on this question, and the information which will be supplied will enable you fully to consider it in all its varied bearings, and to arrive at a wise decision upon it. The proposal which was brought before the last Parliament will be submitted to you.

11. I recommend to your early consideration the propriety of making provision for the adequate representation of New South Wales, at the Exhibition of the Industry of all Nations, to be held in London in the ensuing year.

12. Her Majesty having been graciously pleased to appoint me to the Government of Madras, I shall not have another opportunity of personally addressing the Parliament of New South Wales. I therefore avail myself of this occasion to express the feeling of deep interest with which I shall ever regard a country with which I have been so long and so intimately connected, and I fervently pray that the blessing of Almighty God may be vouchsafed to you in all your deliberations, and may lead you to the adoption of measures conducive to the welfare and happiness of the people of New South Wales.

Mr. O'Brien then moved, and Mr. Dick seconded the motion,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address in reply to the Speech delivered by His Excellency the Governor General on opening this first Session of the fourth Parliament of New South Wales.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hart, Mr. Leary, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Smart, and the Mover and Seconded.

Question put and passed,—

And the Committee retired to prepare the Address.

Mr. O'Brien having brought up the Address, prepared by the Committee, the same was read by the Clerk, on motion of Mr. O'Brien, as follows:—

“ To His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all Her Majesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia, 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, Her Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament 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.

“ We are grateful to Your Excellency for having availed yourself of the earliest opportunity of summoning Parliament, in order that no unnecessary delay may take place in passing public measures of urgent importance.

“ We shall be prepared to give our best attention to the Bills for constituting an Elective Legislative Council, and for reforming the administration of the Crown Lands, as well as to those measures which have for their object legal and social improvements.

“ It affords us satisfaction to hear that, notwithstanding the commercial depression which has prevailed during the past year, the general condition of the Colony is encouraging. While deploring with Your Excellency the disastrous floods with which some Districts of the Colony have been visited, we unite with Your Excellency in the feeling of gratitude to Divine Providence for a bountiful harvest and for a generally productive season.

“ We rejoice to hear that crime and intemperance are diminishing, and that in other respects the Colony is steadily advancing, morally, and socially.

“ We concur with Your Excellency in opinion that the Colonists who have enrolled themselves as Volunteers merit every commendation for their perseverance in qualifying themselves for active military duties, and we shall be prepared to make such provision as may be necessary to encourage and maintain the efficiency of the Service.

“ The Bills for authorizing the payment of the Government Departments and other necessary services for a limited period, pending the passing of the Estimates, and for appointing Commissioners for adjusting the Accounts of this Colony with Queensland, shall receive our best consideration.

“ We cordially agree with Your Excellency that the importance of determining the general scheme by which the means of transit for goods and passengers shall be supplied upon the main trunk lines of the Colony is continually increasing; and we shall cheerfully give our most anxious consideration to the proposed plan for constructing improved means of internal communication.”

“ We shall be prepared to entertain a proposal for making provision for the adequate representation of New South Wales, at the Exhibition of the Industry of all Nations, to be held in London in the ensuing year.

“ In offering our respectful congratulations to Your Excellency on your appointment to the Government of Madras, we regret that the Colony will be deprived of those services which have, during the continuance of Your Excellency's administration, proved so advantageous to the Colony. And we trust that, in whatever part of Her Majesty's dominions your Excellency's future lot may be cast, under the favor of Almighty God, you may enjoy every spiritual and temporal blessing.”

Mr.

Mr. O'Brien then moved, That the Address in reply to the Governor General's Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, be now adopted by this House.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Cowper then stating that he had ascertained that the Governor General would be pleased to receive the Address to-morrow, moved,—

That this House do now adjourn until to-morrow, at Eleven o'clock, for the purpose of proceeding to Government House, there, at half-past Eleven o'clock, to present to the Governor General their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Seven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Eleven o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12.

MEMO.—The House to meet at Eleven o'clock A.M. this day, to proceed to Government House, and there, at half-past Eleven o'clock A.M., to present to the Governor General their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15.

1. MR. COWPER to move, That until Standing Rules and Orders be formally adopted, this House will observe the Standing Rules and Orders in force during the last Session of the late Parliament, except in cases otherwise specially provided for by Sessional Order of the present Session.
2. MR. COWPER to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Smart ;—with an instruction to prepare such Standing Rules and Orders as shall appear best adapted for the orderly conduct of the business of this House, and to report the same with as little delay as possible; and with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
3. MR. COWPER to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Dick, Mr. Hay, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Windeyer, and Mr. Wisdom; with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
4. MR. COWPER to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House will meet for dispatch of business at Three o'clock, p.m., on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week.
5. MR. COWPER to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business take precedence of all other business.
6. MR. COWPER to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that, on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
7. MR. COWPER to move, That the Order respecting the Transmission of Messages agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
8. MR. COWPER to move, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that if at any time after the commencement of the Business of the Day, notice be taken that there is not a Quorum of Members present, the Sergeant-at-Arms, by direction of the Speaker, shall ring the Division Bell before the Speaker proceed to count the House.
9. MR. COWPER to move, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that upon every occasion when this House is counted out, the names of Honorable Members present be taken down by the Clerk at the Table, and be inserted in the Records of this Assembly.
10. MR. COWPER to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the resumption of the Committee of Supply stand an Order of the Day, as of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
11. MR. COWPER to move, That the Resolutions framed by the Standing Orders Committee, and adopted by this House, on the 25th January, 1860, in reference to proceedings in Committee of Supply, stand as a Sessional Order for the present Session, viz. :—
(1.) That when a Motion is made, in Committee of Supply, to omit or reduce any item of a Vote, a Question shall be proposed from the Chair for omitting or reducing such item accordingly; and Members shall speak to such Question only, until it has been disposed of.

- (2.) That when several Motions are offered, they shall be taken in the order in which the items to which they relate appear in the printed Estimates.
- (3.) That after a Question for omitting or reducing any item has been disposed of, no Motion shall be made, or Debate allowed upon any preceding item.
- (4.) That where it has been proposed to omit or reduce items in a Vote, the Question shall be afterwards put upon the original Vote, or upon the reduced Vote, as the case may be, without amendment.
- (5.) That when a general reduction of the amount of the Vote is proposed, comprising many items, the Question shall be first put upon the smaller sum, and, if that be negatived, then upon the next smaller sum, and so on until the Question is put upon the original Vote, after failure of the several motions for a general reduction thereof.
- (6.) That it shall be held to be in order, at any time during the discussion of an Estimate or Item in an Estimate which has not been previously amended, to move the postponement of such Estimate or Item, provided such postponement be until the whole of the Estimates or Supplementary Estimate for the year for which the proposed Vote is intended to be taken, shall have been disposed of.
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T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SATURDAY, 12 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Address in Reply to the Governor General's Opening Speech:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor General their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech;— And, being returned, the Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, and there presented to the Governor General their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make thereto the following answer:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

I thank you for the Address which you have just presented.

I have every confidence in the assurance which it gives of your loyalty and affection towards the person and government of our Most Gracious Sovereign, and I feel satisfied that you will address yourselves to your arduous duties with an earnest desire to promote the happiness and prosperity of the Colony.

I desire also to express to you my warmest thanks for the congratulations and good wishes contained in the concluding paragraph of your Address.

Government House,

Sydney, 12 January, 1861.

W. DENISON.

The House then adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at a quarter before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15.

1. MR. COWPER to move, That until Standing Rules and Orders be formally adopted, this House will observe the Standing Rules and Orders in force during the last Session of the late Parliament, except in cases otherwise specially provided for by Sessional Order of the present Session.
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T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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TUESDAY, 15 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Members Sworn :—
 - (1.) Francis Townsend Rusden, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Gwydir.
 - (2.) Henry Rotton, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Hartley.
2. Papers :—
 - (1.) Mr. Weckes laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Return to Order, in reference to Department of the Colonial Storekeeper, made by this House, on motion of Mr. A. Campbell, on the 23rd October last.
 - (2.) Abstract of Returns of Bank Liabilities and Assets, for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (3.) Report of the Denominational School Board for the year 1859.
 - (4.) Annual Ordnance Returns (dated respectively 8 January, 1861).
 - (5.) Despatch from the Duke of Newcastle to Sir Charles Fitz Roy, dated 29 November, 1853 (with enclosure), relative to Rights of Squatters. (*Prepared for the purpose of correcting an erroneous copy presented to the Legislative Council on 13 June, 1854.*)
 - (6.) Return to Address, in reference to Identified Stolen Horses, adopted, on motion of Mr. Macleay, on 3 October, 1860. (*Laid on the Table in reference to Question No. 4 on the Paper for to-day.*)
Ordered to be printed.
3. Standing Orders *pro tempore* :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That, until Standing Rules and Orders be formally adopted, this House will observe the Standing Rules and Orders in force during the last Session of the late Parliament, except in cases otherwise specially provided for by Sessional Order of the present Session.
Question put and passed.
4. Standing Orders Committee :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Smart;—with an instruction to prepare such Standing Rules and Orders as shall appear best adapted for the orderly conduct of the business of this House, and to report the same with as little delay as possible; and with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed.
5. Library Committee :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Dick, Mr. Hay, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Windeyer, and Mr. Wisdom; with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed.
6. Business Days :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House will meet for dispatch of business at Three o'clock, p.m., on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week.
Question put and passed.
7. Days for Dispatch of Government Business :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business take precedence of all other business.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

8. **Days for Dispatch of Private Business, and relative precedence of Private Orders:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that, on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
Question put and passed.
9. **Transmission of Messages between the two Houses:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Order respecting the Transmission of Messages agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
Question put and passed.
10. **Bell to be rung before Counting Out:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that, if at any time after the commencement of the Business of the Day, notice be taken that there is not a Quorum of Members present, the Sergeant-at-Arms, by direction of the Speaker, shall ring the Division Bell before the Speaker proceed to count the House.
Question put and passed.
11. **Names to be taken down at Counts Out:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that upon every occasion when this House is counted out, the names of Honorable Members present be taken down by the Clerk at the Table, and be inserted in the Records of this Assembly.
Question put and passed.
12. **Days for Committee of Supply:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, the resumption of the Committee of Supply stand an Order of the Day, as of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
Question put and passed.
13. **Proceedings in Committee of Supply:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Resolutions framed by the Standing Orders Committee, and adopted by this House, on the 25th January, 1860, in reference to proceedings in Committee of Supply, stand as a Sessional Order for the present Session, viz. :—
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Question put and passed.
14. **Member sworn:—** Charles Cowper, junior, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Tumut.
15. **Chairman of Committees:—** Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the whole House during the present "Parliament."
Mr. Hay moved, That the Question be amended by the insertion, before the word "Parliament" of the words "Session of."
Debate ensued.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be inserted be there inserted.
The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Markham,	} Tellers.
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Windeyor,	Mr. Ryan,	
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Shepherd,	
Mr. Macleay,	Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Hart,	
Capt. Moriarty,		

Noes, 21.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	junior,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Redman,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Arnold,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Atkinson,		
Mr. Buchanan,		
Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Sutherland,		

Question then,—That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the whole House during the present Session of Parliament—put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Wisdom made his acknowledgments to the House.

16. Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai :—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Gundagai, praying for a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee, presented by him to the Assembly during last Session, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
17. Approaching Departure of His Excellency Sir William Denison for India :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare a reply to His Excellency's Message No. 1, in reference to his departure from this Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Douglas, Mr. Egan, Mr. Hart, Mr. Wilson, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
18. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill :—Mr. Parkes, on behalf of Mr. Blake, moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Colonial Bank of Australasia. (*Being the Bill introduced by Mr. Faucett in the last Session of the late Parliament, but interrupted by Prorogation.*)
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
19. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the 58th, 59th, and 60th sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
20. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill :—Mr. Parkes (on behalf of Mr. Blake), having *presented* this Bill, and the Certificate of the payment of Twenty-five Pounds to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, (*handed in by Mr. Faucett on the 16th October, 1860, during the last Session of the late Parliament*), having been produced by the Clerk,—Bill intituled, "*A Bill to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company, to be called 'The Colonial Bank of Australasia,' and for other purposes*"—read a first time.
21. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill :—Mr. Windeyer having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the fifty-eighth, fifty-ninth, and sixtieth sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857,*"—read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
22. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Abolish Capital Punishments.
Question put and passed;—*Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
(2.) Mr. Parkes having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to abolish 'Capital Punishments,'*" read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.
- The House adjourned at half-past Five o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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- ### OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—
1. MR. JOHN GARRETT to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 24th October last, from James Graham, Mayor of Shoalhaven Municipal Council, be printed.
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Questions :—

1. MR. WALSH to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If it is the intention of the Government, to bring in, during the present Session, a Bill for the Amendment of the Insolvent Law?
2. MR. WALSH to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If it is the intention of the Government to bring in, during the present Session, a Bill for the Amendment of the Municipalities Act of 1858?
3. MR. PIDDINGTON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Under what Act of Parliament or Act of Council are the Pilotage Rates and Harbour Dues now collected?
4. MR. RAPER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill to amend the Impounding Act this Session?

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Questions :—

1. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to give effect to the Resolution, passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 20th October, 1860, upon the motion of Mr. Forster, with reference to the reduction of the Salaries of future Governors General to £5,000 per annum?
2. MR. TERRY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Engineer on the Mudgee Line of Road has as yet made the promised report in reference to Cherry Tree Hill?
 - (2.) And if so what does he recommend; and when will the Government be in a position to commence the repairs over the said Hill?
3. MR. PIDDINGTON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What was the amount of the balance (by the accounts of the Auditor General) at the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund on 31st December, 1860?
 - (2.) What was the total amount chargeable, in virtue of appropriations by Parliament, against the balance at the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 31st December, 1860?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Broad Wheels Act.
2. MR. DICKSON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st October last, in reference to the Extension of the Northern Line of Railway, be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Bill to Incorporate the Colonial Bank of Australasia be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Blake, Mr. Hay, Mr. Smart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Egan, and the Mover.
4. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.
5. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Deniliquin Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Edward River at Deniliquin.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with authority to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the state and management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Mate, and the Mover.
2. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to remove any doubt that may exist as to the so-called Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 25th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider whether it is desirable to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the total and immediate abolition of State Aid to Religion.
5. MR. LOVE 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 following Returns :—
 - (1.) The amount of Liabilities and Assets in all Insolvent Estates passing through the Insolvent Court, from the 1st July, 1859, to the 30th June, 1860, as stated in the Schedules.
 - (2.) The amount of Assets realized in each Estate by the Official Assignees.
 - (3.) The amount of Dividend paid to the Creditors out of each Estate.
 - (4.) What proportion of Assets now remains in the hands of Official Assignees in each Estate.
 - (5.) What has been the amount of Expenses—particularising Assignees' commissions—incurred in each Estate.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill ; second reading.

Question :—

1. MR. LEWIS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether a Memorial was received by the Government, in November last, from the Coal Miners of the Hunter River District, relative to the better Regulation and Ventilation of Coal Mines in this Colony?
 - (2.) If so, what steps the Government intend to take in reference thereto?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

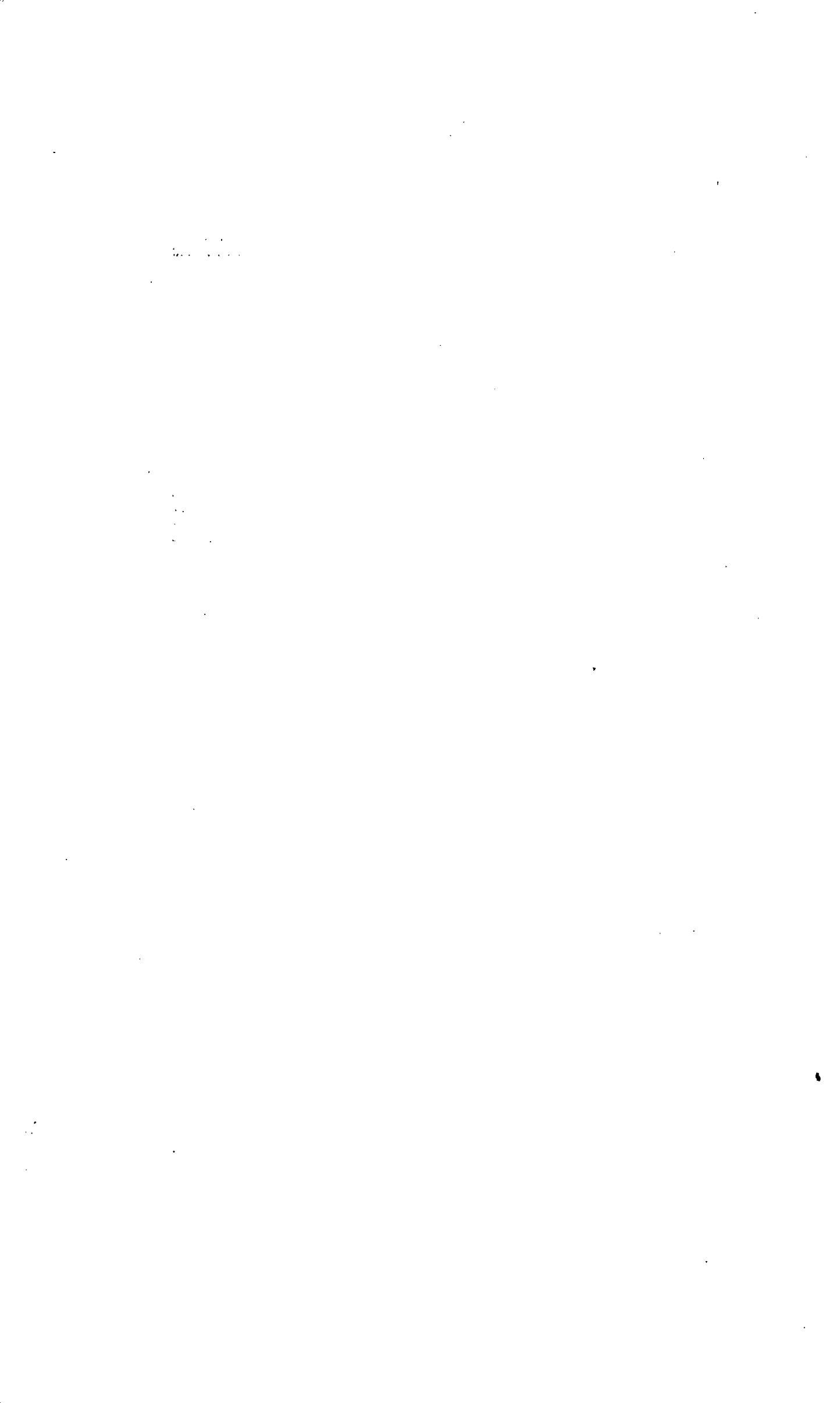
1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill ; second reading.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 16 JANUARY, 1861.

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

Members sworn:—

(1.) James Hannell, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Newcastle.

(2.) William Copland Lesley, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Patrick's Plains.

(3.) Alexander Walker Scott, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Lower Hunter.

(4.) William Redfern Watt, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Carcoar.

2. Estimates for 1860-61:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General received and read:—

W. DENISON,

Message No. 3.

Governor General.

In compliance with the 54th clause of the Constitution Act, and in accordance with his Opening Speech, the Governor General invites the Legislative Assembly to make provision for the Public Service, agreeably to the Supplementary Estimates for 1860, and the Estimates for 1861, which were submitted and partly voted during the last Session of Parliament, with such modifications as are explained in the Memorandum which accompanies the copies of these Estimates herewith transmitted.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th January, 1861.

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

3. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—The Speaker, pursuant to the requirement of the Electoral Act of 1858, laid upon the Table his Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, of which the following is a copy:—

“LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

“*By the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales.*

“Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in me, as Speaker of the Legislative
“Assembly of New South Wales, by the Electoral Act of 1858, I do hereby appoint

“William Macleay, Esquire,

“Charles Hamilton Walsh, Esquire,

“Alexander Walker Scott, Esquire,

“John Hay, Esquire,

“James Dickson, Esquire,

“Henry Parkes, Esquire,

“John Garrett, Esquire,

“being Members of the said Assembly, to be Members of the Committee of Elections

“and Qualifications in the said Act referred to, during the present Session of the

“Assembly aforesaid.

“Given under my Hand, at the Legislative Assembly Chamber,

“Macquarie-street, Sydney, this sixteenth day of January, in the

“year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

“T. A. MURRAY,

“*Speaker.*”

4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for Regulating the Alienation of Crown Lands.

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

5. **Crown Lands Occupation Bill**:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for Regulating the Occupation of Crown Lands.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
6. **Postponement**:—Mr. John Garrett postponed the motion standing in his name No. 1, on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
7. **Reprieve of "Swan"**:—Mr. Buchanan 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 all correspondence that has passed between the Executive Government and their Honors the Judges, relative to the reprieve of "Swan," convicted of murder, together with all Minutes of the Executive thereon.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed:
The House adjourned at a quarter after Four o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. COWPER** to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Constitution of the Legislative Council.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. JOHN GARRETT** to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, presented to this House on the 21st September, 1859.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hay, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Caldwell, Capt. Moriarty, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
2. **MR. JOHN GARRETT** to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 24th October last, from James Graham, Mayor of Shoalhaven Municipal Council, be printed.

Questions:—

1. **MR. HOSKINS** to ask **THE COLONIAL SECRETARY**,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to give effect to the Resolution, passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 20th October, 1860, upon the motion of Mr. Forster, with reference to the reduction of the Salaries of future Governors General to £5,000 per annum?
2. **MR. TERRY** to ask **THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS**,—
(1.) Whether the Engineer on the Mudgee Line of Road has as yet made the promised report in reference to Cherry Tree Hill?
(2.) And if so what does he recommend; and when will the Government be in a position to commence the repairs over the said Hill?
3. **MR. PIDDINGTON** to ask **THE COLONIAL TREASURER**,—
(1.) What was the amount of the balance (by the accounts of the Auditor General) at the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund on 31st December, 1860?
(2.) What was the total amount chargeable, in virtue of appropriations by Parliament, against the balance at the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 31st December, 1860?
4. **MR. LEARY** to ask **THE COLONIAL SECRETARY**,—
(1.) Is the Government aware that in many of the Electorates considerable inconvenience has been experienced and complained of, by reason of the attendance of the candidates in the balloting room, whose scrutineers are also present?
(2.) Is the Government aware that, under the provisions of the Electoral Act, great facilities are offered for the personation of electors, in various portions of an Electorate, more especially where the polling places are numerous and in the neighbourhood of each other?
(3.) Have the Government taken into consideration the expediency of introducing a short Bill, during the present Session, for the purpose of remedying these defects?
5. **MR. PIDDINGTON** to ask **THE COLONIAL TREASURER**,—
(1.) Whether the Act of Parliament 22 Victoria, No. 4, entitled "An Act to increase the rates of Pilotage, and to impose certain harbour dues" has been disallowed by "Her Majesty"?
(2.) What is the reason that the Governor General has omitted to signify such disallowance to Parliament, by Message, or by Proclamation in the *Government Gazette*, according to law?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Broad Wheels Act.
2. MR. DICKSON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st October last, in reference to the Extension of the Northern Line of Railway, be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Bill to Incorporate the Colonial Bank of Australasia be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Blake, Mr. Hay, Mr. Smart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Egan, and the Mover.
4. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.
5. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Deniliquin Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Edward River at Deniliquin.

Questions :—

1. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether he has directed any instructions to be forwarded to the Superintendent of Roads in the District of Yass, to have the almost impassable portions of the Main Line of Road from the Town of Gunning to the Town of Yass, and thence to the Village of Bennan, placed in a state of repair?
2. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the intended Bridge over the Yass River, at Hume's crossing-place, has been contracted for?
 - (2.) If not contracted for, whether Tenders have been received for its construction?
 - (3.) When it is probable that that work will be commenced?

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with authority to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the state and management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Mate, and the Mover.
2. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to remove any doubt that may exist as to the so-called Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 25th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider whether it is desirable to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the total and immediate abolition of State Aid to Religion.
5. MR. LOVE 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 following Returns :—
 - (1.) The amount of Liabilities and Assets in all Insolvent Estates passing through the Insolvent Court, from the 1st July, 1859, to the 30th June, 1860, as stated in the Schedules.
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 - (4.) What proportion of Assets now remains in the hands of Official Assignees in each Estate.
 - (5.) What has been the amount of Expenses—particularising Assignees' commissions—incurred in each Estate.
6. MR. LEARY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £150, for the purpose of erecting a Reservoir to supply the village of Narellan with water.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill; second reading.

Questions :—

1. MR. LEWIS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether a Memorial was received by the Government, in November last, from the Coal Miners of the Hunter River District, relative to the better Regulation and Ventilation of Coal Mines in this Colony?
 - (2.) If so, what steps the Government intend to take in reference thereto?
2. MR. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause any inquiry to be made relative to the conduct of the City Coroner at the Inquest held upon the body of Charles Hall?
3. MR. DRIVER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place any, and what sum, upon the Estimates of the present year, for the extension of the Western Railway?

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move,—(on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Governor General's Message, No. 3)—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, for the Service of the year 1860-61, and that the Governor General's Message, No. 3, with the Estimates and Memorandum therein referred to, be referred to such Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with the accompanying Memorandum and the Estimates of Expenditure for 1860-61.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.
2. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860-61.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill ; second reading.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 17 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Approaching Departure of His Excellency Sir William Denison for India:—
Mr. Cowper, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th instant, to prepare a Reply to His Excellency's Message No. 1, in reference to his Approaching Departure from the Colony.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Legislative Council Bill of 1861—
(1.) Mr. Cowper, moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Constitution of the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
(2.) Mr. Cowper having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to amend the Constitution of the Legislative Council*," read a first time; ordered to be printed and read a second time this day week.
3. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—Mr. Robertson having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill for Regulating the Alienation of Crown Lands*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861:—Mr. Robertson having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill for Regulating the Occupation of Crown Lands*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
5. Shoalhaven Municipality:—Mr. John Garrett moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, presented to this House on the 21st September, 1859.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hay, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Caldwell, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
Mr. Morris moved the Previous Question.
Debate ensued.
Previous Question,—"*That this Question be now put*,"—put and passed.
And Mr. Walker requiring that the said Committee be appointed by Ballot,—
Question (1.)—That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, presented to this House on the 21st September, 1859,—put and passed.
Whereupon the House proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the Mover, the Committee duly appointed:—Mr. Hay, Mr. Leary, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. McArthur, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Windeyer.
6. Mr. Alexander Berry:—Mr. John Garrett moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the Petition, presented by him on the 24th October last, from James Graham, Mayor of Shoalhaven Municipal Council, be printed, and referred to the Select Committee this day appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed and referred accordingly.
The House adjourned at a quarter after Five o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Broad Wheels Act.
2. MR. DICKSON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st October last, in reference to the Extension of the Northern Line of Railway, be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Bill to Incorporate the Colonial Bank of Australasia be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Blake, Mr. Hay, Mr. Smart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Egan, and the Mover.
4. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.
5. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Deniliquin Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Edward River at Deniliquin.
6. MR. RUSDEN to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a list of all tenders of Runs remaining undisposed of up to this date, with their dates of application, and names of the applicants.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, upon the Message of the Governor General, relative to His Excellency's Approaching Departure to India, be now adopted by this House.

Questions:—

1. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether he has directed any instructions to be forwarded to the Superintendent of Roads in the District of Yass, to have the almost impassable portions of the Main Line of Road from the Town of Gunning to the Town of Yass, and thence to the Village of Bennan, placed in a state of repair?
2. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the intended Bridge over the Yass River, at Hume's crossing-place, has been contracted for?
 - (2.) If not contracted for, whether Tenders have been received for its construction?
 - (3.) When it is probable that that work will be commenced?
3. MR. J. T. RYAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government have taken steps, or intend to take any, for the purpose of placing a Bridge over the River Nepean; and, if so, the nature of their deliberations thereon?
4. MR. PIDDINGTON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If the Executive will lay upon the Table of this House, any Despatch or communication from the Imperial authorities referring to the Colonial Act of Parliament, 22 Victoria, No. 4?
5. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If he will cause a sum to be placed on the Estimates for the Repair of the Road between the Hintou Punt and the Town of Morpeth?

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with authority to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the state and management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Mate, and the Mover.
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5. MR. LOVE 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 following Returns:—
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6. MR. LEARY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £150, for the purpose of erecting a Reservoir to supply the village of Narellan with water.
7. MR. HOSKINS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that the Salaries of future Governors General should be reduced to £5,000 per annum.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be conveyed by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. LEWIS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether a Memorial was received by the Government, in November last, from the Coal Miners of the Hunter River District, relative to the better Regulation and Ventilation of Coal Mines in this Colony?
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3. MR. DRIVER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place any, and what sum, upon the Estimates of the present year, for the extension of the Western Railway?
4. MR. DICK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—What is the reason of the delay in the completion of the Electric Telegraph from Singleton to Murrurundi?
5. MR. DICK to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government are aware that the Chief Clerk of the Registrar General's Office practices as an Attorney for his private advantage?
6. MR. ALLEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government will put a sum of money on the Estimates for 1861 to put a Punt on the Williams River, at Clarence Town?

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move,—(on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Governor General's Message, No. 3)—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, for the Service of the year 1860-61, and that the Governor General's Message, No. 3, with the Estimates and Memorandum therein referred to, be referred to such Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with the accompanying Memorandum and the Estimates of Expenditure for 1860-61.
2. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.
2. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When the contract entered into on the 29th of June last, for repairing that portion of the Liverpool Road between the "Dove Inn" and the Bark Huts Creek is likely to be finished?
 - (2.) How much of the work has been performed?
 - (3.) Was there any time specified for the completion of the contract; if so, when did it or will it expire?
2. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has there been any alteration in the plan of constructing the Bark Hut Bridge since the contract was entered into; if so, the cause of such alteration; and whether it has caused any additional expense to the Government?
 - (2.) Whether the lowest tender was accepted for the temporary Causeway over the Bark Hut Creek; if not, why?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. DALGLEISH to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.

(2.) And that such Committee consist of Captain Moriarty, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Love, Mr. Walsh Mr. Douglas, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Allen, and the Mover.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 18 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill:—
 - (1.) Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Broad Wheels Act.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the mover and seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 - (2.) Mr. Lucas having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act, 1857,' as relates to Broad Wheels*"; read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
2. Proposed Extension of Great Northern Railway from Maitland to Morpeth:—Mr. Dickson moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 31st October last, in reference to the Extension of the Northern Line of Railway, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Bill to Incorporate the Colonial Bank of Australasia be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Blake, Mr. Hay, Mr. Smart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Egan, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
4. Postponements:—Mr. Morris postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Hay, Nos. 4 and 5 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Wednesday next.
5. Tenders for Runs undisposed of:—Mr. Rusden moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a list of all tenders for Runs remaining undisposed of up to this date, with their dates of application, and names of the applicants.
Question put and passed.
6. Approaching Departure of His Excellency Sir William Denison for India:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the following Address, as recommended by the Select Committee upon the Message of the Governor General relative to His Excellency's Approaching Departure to India, be now adopted by this House:—

To His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all Her Majesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Territory of New South Wales and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Message announcing that Your Excellency has been appointed to the Government of the Presidency of Madras.

We offer to Your Excellency our hearty congratulations upon this additional mark of favor from your Sovereign.

We beg leave to approach Your Excellency, on the occasion of your departure for India, for the purpose of expressing our high sense of the able and impartial manner in which, for the period of six years, Your Excellency has presided over the Government of this Colony.

During this period, the difficult and delicate duty of introducing Responsible Government has devolved upon Your Excellency; and we desire to bear our testimony to the successful manner in which that duty has been performed, and to the very general approval which it has elicited.

While

While acknowledging the benefit of Your Excellency's services in your Official capacity, we also gratefully recognize the advantages which the moral and social interests of the Colony have derived from the unsullied purity of Your Excellency's private life, and the active benevolence which has distinguished Your Excellency's patronage of every useful and charitable Institution.

Allow us, in conclusion, to assure Your Excellency that we shall always feel a deep interest in the welfare of Your Excellency, Lady Denison, and family. And we pray that the great Disposer of Events may grant you length of days, and with them uninterrupted happiness.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Cowper moved, that this Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor General, at the Levee to be held at Government House, to-morrow, by the Speaker and such other Members of the Legislative Assembly as may be then present.

Question put and passed.

7. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Statistical View of the Progress of the Colony of New South Wales, from the year 1855 to 1859 inclusive.
Ordered to be printed.

8. Shoalhaven Municipality:—Mr. Morris presented a Petition from Alexander Berry, of the North Shore, near Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, Esquire, praying for leave to appear and be represented before the Select Committee, appointed on the 17th instant, to inquire into and report upon his former Petition of the 21st September, 1859, relative to the proposed Municipality of Shoalhaven.
Petition received.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at twenty minutes after Four o'clock, until *Wednesday* next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move,—(on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Governor General's Message, No. 3)—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, for the Service of the year 1860-61, and that the Governor General's Message, No. 3, with the Estimates and Memorandum therein referred to, be referred to such Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Consideration of Governor General's Message No. 3, with the accompanying Memorandum and the Estimates of Expenditure for 1860-61.
2. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.
2. MR. HAY to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Deniliquin Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Edward River at Deniliquin.
3. MR. MORRIS to move,—
(1.) That the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, presented to this House on the 18th instant, praying for leave to be represented by Counsel and Attorney, before the Select Committee appointed to inquire into, and report upon the said Alexander Berry's Petition, presented to the late Assembly in September, 1859, in relation to the formation of the Shoalhaven Municipality, be printed and referred to the said Committee.
(2.) That the Petitioner have leave to appear and be heard before such Committee by his Counsel and Attorney if he shall think fit.
4. MR. DICK to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, presented to this House on the 3rd. May, 1860.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Daniel, Mr. Lord, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Hay, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Markham, Mr. Walsh, and the Mover.

5. MR. DICK to move, That the proceedings of, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee of the last Session of the late Parliament, appointed to inquire into, and report upon the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, be laid upon the Table of this House, with a view to being referred to the Committee this day appointed for a similar purpose.
6. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with authority to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the state and management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Mate, and the Mover.
7. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to remove any doubt that may exist as to the so-called Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.
8. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 25th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider whether it is desirable to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
9. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the total and immediate abolition of State Aid to Religion.
10. MR. LOVE 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 following Returns:—
 - (1.) The amount of Liabilities and Assets in all Insolvent Estates passing through the Insolvent Court, from the 1st July, 1859, to the 30th June, 1860, as stated in the Schedules.
 - (2.) The amount of Assets realized in each Estate by the Official Assignees.
 - (3.) The amount of Dividend paid to the Creditors out of each Estate.
 - (4.) What proportion of Assets now remains in the hands of Official Assignees in each Estate.
 - (5.) What has been the amount of Expenses—particularising Assignees' commissions—incurred in each Estate.
11. MR. LEARY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £150, for the purpose of erecting a Reservoir to supply the village of Narellan with water.
12. MR. HOSKINS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that the Salaries of future Governors General should be reduced to £5,000 per annum.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be conveyed by Address to His Excellency the Governor General.
13. MR. DRIVER to move, That His Excellency the Governor General will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names and occupation of the various parties relieved by the Bench of Magistrates at Windsor, upon the occasion of the last flood in that district, shewing the quantity of goods received by each party.
14. MR. WALSH to move,—That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, containing the Names of all Lessees of Crown Lands within the Settled Districts, under the Regulations of 29 March, 1848; the number of sections held by each, and the amount of rent payable in respect thereof.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the palisading now in the course of construction at the Sydney Railway Station, is being performed by contract?
 - (2.) By whose instructions are inferior American battens being used, when Colonial hardwood can be obtained at the same price?
2. MR. LEWIS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether a Memorial was received by the Government, in November last, from the Coal Miners of the Hunter River District, relative to the better Regulation and Ventilation of Coal Mines in this Colony?
 - (2.) If so, what steps the Government intend to take in reference thereto?
3. MR. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause any inquiry to be made relative to the conduct of the City Coroner at the Inquest held upon the body of Charles Hall?
4. MR. DRIVER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to place any, and what sum, upon the Estimates of the present year, for the extension of the Western Railway?
5. MR. DICK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—What is the reason of the delay in the completion of the Electric Telegraph from Singleton to Murrurundi?
6. MR. DICK to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government are aware that the Chief Clerk of the Registrar General's Office practices as an Attorney for his private advantage?
7. MR. ALLEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government will put a sum of money on the Estimates for 1861 to put a Punt on the Williams River, at Clarence Town?

8. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether, in reference to the letters from the Colonial Secretary's Office, of August 6, and September 14, respectively, requiring from the Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School, a fuller report of the progress of that institution, any such fuller report has been received by the Government; and whether any steps have been taken by the Government in reference to the statement in the letter of the Secretary to the Grammar School, that he had convened meetings of the Trustees on the 7th August, and 4th, 7th, 12th, and 20th September, and that each meeting had lapsed for want of a quorum?
9. MR. WALSH to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What measures, having for their object legal and social improvements, are intended to be introduced by the Government during this Session?

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.
2. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Map shewing the Intermediate and Unsettled Districts, and the Reserves in each for selection.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When the contract entered into on the 29th of June last, for repairing that portion of the Liverpool Road between the "Dove Inn" and the Bark Huts Creek is likely to be finished?
 - (2.) How much of the work has been performed?
 - (3.) Was there any time specified for the completion of the contract; if so, when did it or will it expire?
2. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has there been any alteration in the plan of constructing the Bark Hut Bridge since the contract was entered into; if so, the cause of such alteration; and whether it has caused any additional expense to the Government?
 - (2.) Whether the lowest tender was accepted for the temporary Causeway over the Bark Hut Creek; if not, why?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill; second reading.
2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
 - (2.) And that such Committee consist of Captain Moriarty, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Love, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Allen, and the Mover.
2. MR. WATT to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Impounding Act of 1855, and to regulate the Impounding of Stock.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 23 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Members Sworn:—
 - (1.) William Cummings, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his seat as a Member for the Electoral District of East Macquarie.
 - (2.) Silvanus Brown Daniel, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wellington.
 - (3.) Robert Meston, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Tenterfield.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from John Campbell, of the City of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, Esquire, praying for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of a settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson, of Land at Balmain, to sell the said Land, and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof,—
And Mr. Parkes having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald* newspaper, containing Notice for four consecutive weeks, in the months of December, 1860, and January, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
3. Approaching Departure of His Excellency Sir William Denison for India:—The Speaker reported that, at the Levee held by the Governor General, at Government House, on Saturday last, the 19th instant, he had, in conjunction with such other Members of the Legislative Assembly as were then present, presented to Sir William Denison, pursuant to the Order made by this House on the day previous, the Address of the House relative to His Excellency's approaching departure for India, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make thereto the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

It is with feelings of no ordinary kind that I receive your congratulations upon the additional mark of favor which Our Sovereign has been graciously pleased to bestow upon me.

This, and the testimony which, as the Representatives of the people of New South Wales, you bear to the manner in which I have conducted the affairs of the Colony, and performed the delicate duty of inaugurating Responsible Government, is most gratifying to me; and I can assure you that, arduous and harassing, as at times, that duty has been, your present recognition of the mode in which I have fulfilled it, is a sufficient recompense.

For the kind expressions towards Lady Denison, myself, and family, contained in the concluding portion of your Address, I tender you my warmest acknowledgments, and take my leave of you, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen, with a fervent prayer that Almighty God may so guide and influence your deliberations, that they may conduce to that, which I may honestly affirm has been my chief end and aim during the six years I have resided amongst you, the prosperity and advancement of this great Colony.

Government House,
January 19th, 1861.

W. DENISON.

4. Members Sworn:—
 - (1.) Samuel William Gray, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Kiama.
 - (2.) John Connell Laycock, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of Central Cumberland.

5. Assumption of Administration of the Government by Lieutenant Colonel Kempt:—
The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,

Message No. 1.

Administrator of the Government.

His Excellency Sir William Denison, having taken his departure from the Colony, on the 22nd instant, Lieutenant Colonel Kempt avails himself of the earliest opportunity to inform the Legislative Assembly, that, as the Senior Military Officer Commanding Her Majesty's Forces in New South Wales, he has assumed the Government of the Colony in virtue of the authority granted to him in that behalf, in a Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Signet and Sign Manual, dated the 3rd of May, 1859.

Lieutenant Colonel Kempt relies with confidence upon receiving, as Administrator of the Government, the cordial assistance of the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

Sydney, 23rd January, 1861.

Ordered to be printed.

6. Paper:—Mr. Cowper read and laid upon the Table, Correspondence between His Excellency Sir William Denison and the Colonial Secretary, relative to the affixing the Great Seal of the Colony to a Grant from the Crown of the escheated lands of the late John Tawell.

Ordered to be printed.

7. Member Sworn:—John Peisley, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Orange.

8. Estimates for 1860-61:—On the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Governor General's Message, No. 3, with the accompanying Memorandum, and the Estimates for 1860-61—(the Clerk by direction of the Speaker having read the Message also),—

Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to *Contingent Notice*, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, for the Services of the year 1860-61, and that the Governor General's Message, No. 3, with the Estimates and Memorandum therein referred to, be referred to such Committee.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply accordingly.

The Chairman obtained leave to sit again to-morrow, and reported the following Resolution:—

- (1.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £56,834 19s 8d., in renewal of the grants agreed to in Committee of the last Session of the last Parliament, to defray the Supplementary expense of the following Services and Establishments, for the year 1860, viz.:—

No. I.—SCHEDULES.

(1.) A sum not exceeding £32 15s. 1d., to meet additional expenditure under Schedule (B) to Schedule (No. 1) of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 54, being for Pension to Jeremiah Brown, late Assistant Superintendent of Penal Establishment at Cockatoo Island, from 1st July, at £65 10s. 2d., according to the scale and rates fixed by the Imperial Superannuation Act, 4 and 5 Gul. 4, cap. 24.

No. II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(2.) A sum not exceeding £338, to defray the Supplementary charge of the Legislative Assembly Establishment for the year 1860 (further sum).

(3.) A sum not exceeding £114 18d. 3d., to defray the Supplementary charge of the Joint Establishment of the Legislative Council and Assembly for the year 1860 (further sum).

No. III.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

(4.) A sum not exceeding £65 0s. 1d. to defray deficiency in amount voted for the Chief Secretary's Establishment for 1859.

(5.) A sum not exceeding £11 10s., to defray deficiency in amount voted for contingencies for the Central Police Office, for the year 1859.

(6.) A sum not exceeding £64 17s. 8d., to defray deficiency in vote for Water Police and Shipping Master's Establishments, for the year 1859.

(7.) A sum not exceeding £67 12s. 9d., to defray deficiency in amount voted for Inspector General and Metropolitan Police, for the year 1859.

(8.) A sum not exceeding £45, to defray the supplementary charge for Police, Country Districts (Judicial), for the year 1860.

(9.) A sum not exceeding £3,032 9s., to defray deficiency in amount voted for Police, Country Districts (Executive), for the year 1859.

(10.) A sum not exceeding £50 7s. 6d., to defray deficiency in amount voted for Native Police, for the year 1859.

(11.) A sum not exceeding £335, for the Goulburn Gaol Establishment,—being £10 for Medical Comforts, &c. (further sum); £300 for Provisions (further sum); £15 for Fuel and Light (further sum); and £10 for Incidental Expenses (further sum).

(12.)

(12.) A sum not exceeding £15, to defray the supplementary charge for a Female Searcher at Albury Gaol, for the year 1860.

(13.) A sum not exceeding £531 for the Military Establishment, being £400 Rent of Commissariat Office; and £131 for Lodging Allowance to Brigade Major, at 7s. 2d. per diem.

(14.) A sum not exceeding £100, being a further sum for Medicines and Medical Attendance for the Aborigines.

(15.) A sum not exceeding £2,665 13s. 6d., for Charitable Allowances, being £200 in aid of the Penrith District Hospital and Benevolent Society, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscriptions; £40 13s. 6d. in aid of the Singleton and Patrick's Plains Benevolent Society, for 1857, an equal amount having been raised by private subscription; and £2,425 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Sydney (further sum).

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

(16.) A sum not exceeding £252 10s., for the Establishment of the Law Officers of the Crown, being £167 10s. for Extra Clerk, from 1st February, at 10s. per diem, and £85 for Law Expenses in case "Smith v. Crook."

(17.) A sum not exceeding £20, being for extra clerical assistance to the Insolvent Court Establishment.

(18.) A sum not exceeding £100 for Coroners, being deficiency in amount voted for Coroners' and Surgeons' Fees, for the year 1859.

(19.) A sum not exceeding £50 for the Court of Claims, being remuneration for the compilation of Return ordered by the Legislative Council.

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

(20.) A sum not exceeding £1,768 5s. 4., to defray salaries and contingencies of the Customs Establishment.

(21.) A sum not exceeding £1,107 5s. 1d., to defray deficiency in amount voted for contingencies for the Sydney Branch of Royal Mint.

(22.) A sum not exceeding £665 5s. 5d., for Printing, Postage Stamps, and Book-binding; being £154 11s. 9d., for printing machine (further sum); £50, for two perforating machines; £40 2s. 11d., for freight, insurance, and shipping charges on above; £41 7s. 2d., for cutting machine; and £379 3s. 7d., for deficiency in vote for contingencies, 1858-9.

(23.) A sum not exceeding £800, to defray salaries and contingencies of the Post Office Establishment.

(24.) A sum not exceeding £1,200, for conveyance of Mails within and beyond the Settled Districts (further sum.)

(25.) A sum not exceeding £7 10s., for Shipping Master's office keeper, from 1st July, at £15 per annum.

(26.) A sum not exceeding £60, for the Steam Navigation and Pilot Board Establishment, being for Shipwright Surveyor, at £1 1s. each survey (further sum.)

(27.) A sum not exceeding £104 3s. 4d., for Harbor Master, Twofold Bay (to act as Pilot), from 1st August, at £250.

(28.) A sum not exceeding £454, to defray salaries and contingencies for boatmen.

(29.) A sum not exceeding £632 17s. 9d., for Miscellaneous Services; being £153 10s., for hire of schooner "Coral Queen" as a Lightship, and for towing, and £479 7s. 9d., for relief of sufferers by the recent floods at Windsor.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(30.) A sum not exceeding £44 2s., for the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, being the difference between £650 per annum, as voted for "Chief Clerk in Charge" and £800 per annum, as proposed, from 17 September.

(31.) A sum not exceeding £760 for Miscellaneous Services, being £150 for purchase of Building at Sofala for Sub-Commissioner's Quarters; £50 for purchase of Building at Louisa Creek for Assistant Commissioner; £500 for completion of Bridge, Clarke's Crossing Place, Paterson; and £60 for purchase of Building for a Court House, Araluen Gold Field.

(32.) A sum not exceeding £17,259 12s. 4d., for Roads other than Main Roads, being £4,260 for the repair of the damages done to Roads and Bridges by the recent Floods (further sum); £137 10s. for salary of Road Superintendent at Kiandra Gold Fields, at £300 a year, from 16 July to 31 December; £45 16s. 8d. for Travelling Allowance for same period, at the rate of £100 per annum; £83 6s. 8d. for salary of Road Overseer, from 1 August to 31 December, at £200 per annum; £22 19s. for Travelling Allowance, at 3s. per diem, from same date; £350 for Road from Cooma to Chalker's; £400 for Road from Yass to Kiandra *via* Micalong and Wejasper; £1,200 for Road from Tumut to Kiandra *via* Talbingo; £210 for addition to Bridge on Main Road from Cooma; £50 for additional work (cutting approach) to Bridge on Road between Russell's and Cooma; £500 for Road between Eden and Cathcart; and £10,000 for Road from Kiandra to Chalker's.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(33.) A sum not exceeding £176 for the Railway Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, being £26 for half-year's Annuity to the family of Mrs. De Courcy, instead of to the late Mrs. De Courcy; and £150 for Additional Clerical Assistance.

(34.) A sum not exceeding £300 for the Electric Telegraph Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, being £50 to provide 6 sets of Meteorological Instruments for principal Electric Telegraph Stations; and £250 for Working Expenses of Kiandra Line.

(35.) A sum not exceeding £10,398 for the Road Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, being £7,500 for the Repair of the Great Southern Road between Hanging Rock and Gunning, in anticipation of Estimates for 1861; £1,600 for the Erection of Bridges over Duck River and other Creeks, and to Repair Bridges damaged by the Flood; £910 for balance of Rent of Tolls at Albury Ferry, to be expended on the Road; and £388 for Rent of Tolls, Emu Ferry.

(36.) A sum not exceeding £4,250 for the Department of Harbors and River Navigation, being £200 for Temporary Repairs to Dam at Cook's River; £4,000 for the Repairs of the Liverpool Dam; and £50 for additional working Expenses, Glebe Island Punts.

(37.) A sum not exceeding £8,574 4s. 7d., for Works and Buildings; being £150 for the completion of the Court House at Tenterfield; £600 for the erection of a Lockup at West Bargo; £2,000 for alterations and additions to the Parliamentary Buildings; £1,200 to meet Expenses incurred on the completion of the Abattoirs, Glebe Island; £1,500 for alterations to Immigration Barracks, to fit them for Offices for Public Works Department, District Court, and Volunteer Corps; £742 for repairs to the Gaol at Berrima; £600 for additions to Court House at Morpeth; £200 for repairs to Dam, Tarbau Creek; £680 for additions and alterations, Government Printing Office; and £902 4s. 7d., in aid of the erection of the Light House on Wilson's Promontory (further sum).

(38.) A sum not exceeding £382 for Miscellaneous Items; being £28 to meet excess in expenditure on Contingent Vote for the Colonial Architect's Department, 1859; £200 for expenses of Advertising and forwarding Plans inviting Designs for New Houses of Parliament and Public Offices (further sum); and £154 for salaries and contingencies, Public Abattoirs.

Whereupon, Mr. Weekes moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

9. Postponement:—The second reading of the Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.

10. Motions Withdrawn:—Mr. Hay withdrew the motions standing in his name, Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

11. Shoalhaven Municipality:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, presented to this House on the 18th instant, praying for leave to be represented by Counsel and Attorney, before the Select Committee appointed to inquire into, and report upon the said Alexander Berry's Petition, presented to the late Assembly in September, 1859, in relation to the formation of the Shoalhaven Municipality, be printed and referred to the said Committee.

(2.) That the Petitioner have leave to appear and be heard before such Committee by his Counsel and Attorney if he shall think fit.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Petition ordered to be printed and referred accordingly.

12. Mr. N. L. Kentish:—

(1.) Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to amended notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd. May, 1860, and that the Papers in reference thereto, laid upon the Table on the 18th and 23rd October, 1860, be referred to the said Committee.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Daniel, Mr. Lord, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Hay, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Markham, Mr. Walsh, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to notice, That the proceedings of, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee of the last Session of the late Parliament, appointed to inquire into, and report upon the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, be laid upon the Table of this House, with a view to being referred to the Committee this day appointed for a similar purpose.

Question put and passed.

And the Clerk of Select Committees having presented the same at the Bar of the House,—

Mr. Dick moved, That the said Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence be referred to the Select Committee now appointed.

Question put and passed.

13. Public Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with authority to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the state and management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hart, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Mate, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

14. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to remove any doubt that may exist as to the so-called Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
15. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday, the 25th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider whether it is desirable to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
Question put and passed.
16. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Wilson having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to remove any doubts that may exist as to the Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown,*" read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.
17. Proposed State Aid to Religion Abolition Bill:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for the total and immediate abolition of State Aid to Religion.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Morris moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question,—That this Question be now put,—put and negatived.
18. Insolvent Estates:—Mr. Love moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the following Returns:—
(1.) The amount of Liabilities and Assets in all Insolvent Estates passing through the Insolvent Court, from the 1st January, 1858, to the 30th June, 1860, as stated in the Schedules.
(2.) The amount of Assets realized in each Estate by the Official Assignees.
(3.) The amount of Dividend paid to Creditors in each Estate.
(4.) What proportion of Assets now remain in the hands of Official Assignees in each Estate.
(5.) What has been the amount of Expenses—particularizing Assignees' commissions and law costs—incurrd in each Estate, with the name of the Solicitor employed in each Estate.
Debate ensued.
Mr. T. Garrett moved, That the Question be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the words,—“also, the amount which the Debts sold brought in cases “where such a mode of realizing such assets has been adopted.”
Debate continued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be added be there added,—put and passed.
Whereupon Question,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the following Returns:—
(1.) The amount of Liabilities and Assets in all Insolvent Estates passing through the Insolvent Court, from the 1st January, 1858, to the 30th June, 1860, as stated in the Schedules.
(2.) The amount of Assets realized in each Estate by the Official Assignees.
(3.) The amount of Dividend paid to Creditors in each Estate.
(4.) What proportion of Assets now remain in the hands of Official Assignees in each Estate.
(5.) What has been the amount of expenses—particularizing Assignees' commissions and law costs—incurrd in each Estate; with the name of the solicitor employed in each case; also, the amount which the Debts sold brought in cases where such a mode of realizing such assets has been adopted,—put and passed.
19. Postponement:—Mr. Leary postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
20. Salaries of future Governors General and of Responsible Ministers:—Mr. Hoskins moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that the Salaries of future Governors General should be reduced to £5,000 per annum.
(2.) That the foregoing resolution be conveyed by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Rotton moved, That the Question be amended by the insertion, after section (1), of the following section:—
“(2.) That the Salaries of the Responsible Ministers should be equalized.”
Debate continued.
Motion made by Mr. Driver, and Question put and negatived,—That this debate be now adjourned until Tuesday next.
Main Question stated.
Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 24 JANUARY, 1861. A.M.

Mr. Weekes asking the opinion of the Speaker as to the admissibility of the proposed amendment,—

The Speaker, quoting from May, 4th edition, page 277, and Hansard's Debates, 3rd series, 1834, vol. 23, p. 785, gave his opinion in the affirmative.

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the new Section proposed to be inserted be there inserted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Noes, 18.

Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Driver,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. Ilaworth,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Weston,	Mr. Cunneen,	junior,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Walker,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Rotton,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Redman,		
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Dick,	Mr. Lesley,		
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Caldwell,		

Whereupon Question,—

(1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that the Salaries of futuro Governors General should be reduced to £5,000 per annum.

(2.) That the Salaries of the Responsible Ministers should be equalised.

(3.) That the foregoing Resolutions be conveyed by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government,—put and passed.

21. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Driver postponed the Motion standing in his Name No. 13 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

(2.) Mr. Walsh postponed the Motion standing in his Name No. 14 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

22. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill:—Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Rotton moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

Question put on the motion for the adjournment, and Division called for,—but there being no Tellers for the Ayes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the negative.

Original Question then put and passed; and Bill read a second time.

Mr. Windeyer then moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Question put and Division called for,—but there being no Tellers for the Noes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the affirmative.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

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

The House adjourned, at twenty minutes before Two o'clock a.m., until Three o'clock p.m. this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move (*in Committee of Supply*), That there be appropriated a sum not exceeding £253,087 to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony from the 1st January to 31st March, 1861, at the rates which have been sanctioned for the year 1860.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.
2. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860-61.
3. MR. WEEKES to move, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of a Bill, intituled, a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860 and 1861, passing through all its stages in one day.

ORDERS

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Map shewing the Intermediate and Unsettled Districts, and the Reserves in each for selection.
2. MR. C. COWPER, junior, to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all correspondence which took place between the Chief Commissioner of Gold Fields and the Secretary of Lands, between the 1st January and 1st May, 1860, with respect to the Kiandra Gold Fields; also, a copy of all correspondence which took place between Commissioner Lynch and the Chief Commissioner of Gold Fields, during the same period, and having reference to the same subject.
3. MR. PARKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable John Campbell, Esquire, to sell certain Trust Lands, and effect other purposes relating thereto.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When the contract entered into on the 29th of June last, for repairing that portion of the Liverpool Road between the "Dove Inn" and the Bark Huts Creek is likely to be finished?
 - (2.) How much of the work has been performed?
 - (3.) Was there any time specified for the completion of the contract; if so, when did it or will it expire?
2. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has there been any alteration in the plan of constructing the Bark Hut Bridge since the contract was entered into; if so, the cause of such alteration; and whether it has caused any additional expense to the Government?
 - (2.) Whether the lowest tender was accepted for the temporary Causeway over the Bark Hut Creek; if not, why?
3. MR. C. COWPER, junior, to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Why parties who have complied with every condition imposed by the Government, are not paid for land taken from them for Railway purposes?
4. MR. C. COWPER, junior, to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government has received any authentic information regarding the discovery of a working Gold Field at Currowa; and whether any measures have been adopted for the purpose of carrying out the Gold Fields Regulations there?
5. MR. C. COWPER, junior, to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government can state with any degree of certainty when the Railway Line to Penrith will be open for traffic?
6. MR. LEARY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to increase the Salaries of the District Court Bailiffs?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill; second reading.
2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
 - (2.) And that such Committee consist of Captain Moriarty, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Love, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Allen, and the Mover.
2. MR. WATT to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Impounding Act of 1855, and to regulate the Impounding of Stock.
3. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence between the Executive Government and any person or persons—and of all applications, memorials, or petitions, having reference to the opening of a road leading from the Parramatta River near Kissing Point, and by the Watch House at Ryde to the Great North Road from Bedlam Ferry.
4. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.
5. MR. WALSH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, containing the Names of all Lessees of Crown Lands within the Settled Districts, under the Regulations of 29 March, 1848; the number of sections held by each, and the amount of rent payable in respect thereof.

Questions:—

Questions:—

1. MR. WATT to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is the successful applicant at the Pilot Board Office, on the 31st instant, in consequence of an invitation by the Board, published in the *Herald* (23rd instant), for an appointment as Sea Pilot, Watson's Bay, Port Jackson, intended to supersede one of the Pilots now stationed at Watson's Bay, or is he to be a Sea Pilot in addition to those already there, thus making six Pilots; if the latter, what are the reasons assigned by the Pilot Board for the appointment of an additional Pilot?
2. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If the Government contemplate removing the Toll-Bar at Pitt Row, Parramatta, from its present site; if so, where is it to be removed to?
 - (2.) Has any correspondence taken place between the Government and private individuals relative to its removal; if so, the nature thereof?
3. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government have received any application from residents on the North Shore, St. Leonard's, having reference to giving greater facility of transit from the City of Sydney to St. Leonard's; if so, what the Government intend doing in the matter?
4. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether or not the expenditure of money set apart to repair roads on which no toll is collected is laid out on proclaimed roads only, or whether it is expended indiscriminately on mere tracks?

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.
2. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to remove any doubts that may exist as to the so-called Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.
3. MR. HART to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 1st February, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £104, in addition to the sum already placed upon the Estimates-in-Chief, as compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courcy, to be continued for five years.
4. MR. TERRY to move, That in the opinion of this House, Retrenchment is necessary in every Department of the Public Service, and that all Salaries over £400 per annum ought to be reduced.
5. MR. WINDEYER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the present system of Tendering for the Public Service, with power to inquire generally into the mode of expending money voted by Parliament for specific objects.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Arnold, Daniel, Egan, Parkes, Morris, Wilson, Gray, Dickson, Shepherd, and the Mover.
6. MR. REDMAN to move, That in the opinion of this House the conduct of the late Governor General, in affixing the Great Seal against the advice and in spite of his Ministers, and afterwards temporarily intrusting it to his Private Secretary, was not only unconstitutional, hasty, and highly dangerous, but, under the circumstances, has inflicted a private as well as public wrong.
7. MR. LEARY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £150, for the purpose of erecting a Reservoir to supply the village of Narellan with water.
8. MR. DRIVER to move, That His Excellency the Administrator of the Government will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names and occupation of the various parties relieved by the Bench of Magistrates at Windsor, upon the occasion of the last flood in that district, shewing the quantity of goods received by each party.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill; third reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. WATT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government intends extending the Telegraph Line to Burrendong, Lambing Flat; if so, will the Government do so from Bathurst, by way of Carcoar and Cowra?
2. MR. HART to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When the Returns relative to the exercise of the pre-emptive right by Major Chauvel and others, over lands in the Clarence River District, ordered by the House on the 1st of June last, will be laid upon the Table?

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Wisdom.
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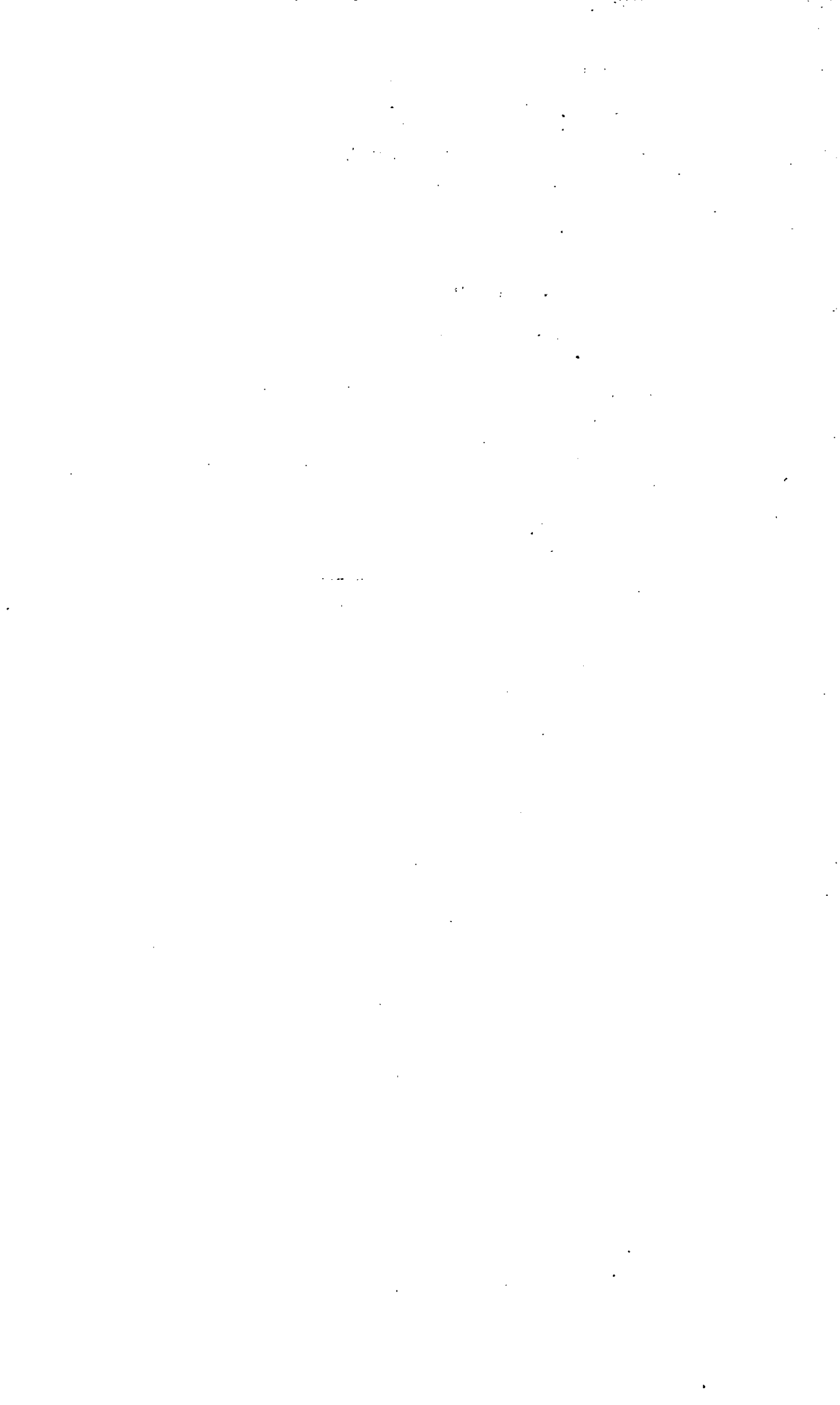
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

[Price, 2½d.]



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 24 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Members of Committee of Elections and Qualifications sworn:—Henry Parkes, Alexander Walker Scott, Charles Hamilton Walsh, William Macleay, and James Dickson, Esquires, sworn at the Table, by the Clerk, as Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, for the present Session, pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
2. Papers:—
 - (1.) Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, List of the Office Bearers and Directors of the Society for the Relief of Destitute Children, for 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Arnold laid upon the Table, Continuation of Correspondence relative to Electric Telegraph Communication with Europe (from December, 1859, to August, 1860.)
Ordered to be printed.
3. First Meeting of Elections and Qualifications Committee:—Pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858, the Speaker appointed the first Meeting of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications to take place at noon, on Tuesday next, the 29th instant, in Committee Room No. 2.
4. Mrs. Eliza Lockyer:—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from Mrs. Eliza Lockyer, of Sydney, widow of the late Major Edmund Lockyer, representing that she is left with a young family in circumstances of great pecuniary distress, and praying a favorable consideration of her case with reference to certain long and important Public Services of her late husband, as therein set forth.
Petition received.
5. Postponements:—
 - (1.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until Wednesday next.
 - (2.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motions standing in his name, Nos. 2 and 3 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until the third Order of the Day shall have been disposed of.
 - (3.) The second reading of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until the two last mentioned motions shall have been disposed of.
 - (4.) The second reading of the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until Wednesday next,—to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that Day.
6. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee of Supply resumed.
The Chairman obtained leave to sit again at a later hour to-day, and reported the following Resolution:—
 - (2.) Resolved, That there be appropriated a sum not exceeding £253,087, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony from the 1st January to 31st March, 1861, at the rates which have been sanctioned for the year 1860.Whereupon, Mr. Weekes moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.
7. Correction of Error in Tellers' List:—Mr. Stewart claiming to have his name placed on the record of the Division which took place yesterday on the amendment upon Mr. Hoskins' motion respecting the Salaries of future Governors General, on the ground that he was then present and voted with the Noes,—and the Tellers on both sides and the House acquiescing;—Ordered, that the name of Mr. Stewart be recorded as on the Division, and added to the Noes accordingly.

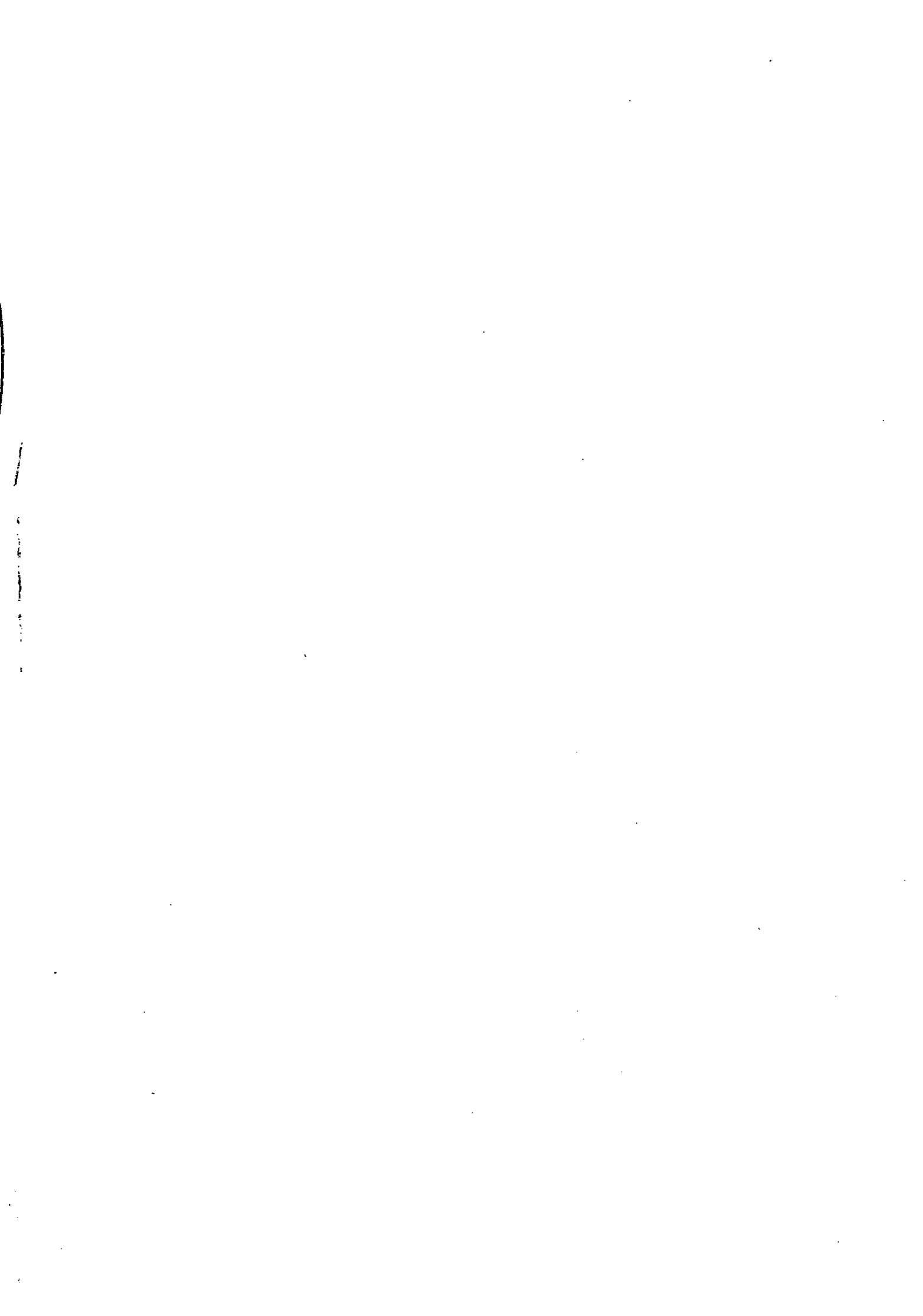
8. Suspension of Standing Orders:—Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of a Bill, intituled, a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860 and 1861, passing through all its stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
9. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill, 1861 :—
(1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the years 1860-61.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
(2.) Mr. Weekes having presented this Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the years 1860 and 1861*"; read a first time, and ordered to be printed.
(3.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a second time.
(4.) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
(5.) The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time at a later hour of the day.
10. Member of Committee of Elections and Qualifications sworn :—John Hay, Esquire, sworn at the Table, by the Clerk, as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
11. Postponement :—The second reading of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until after the whole of the Private Business on the Paper shall have been disposed of.
12. Map, shewing Intermediate and Unsettled Districts and Reserves :—Mr. O'Brien moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Map shewing the Intermediate and Unsettled Districts, and the Reserves in each for selection.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
13. Kiandra Gold Fields :—Mr. C. Cowper, junior, moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all correspondence which took place between the Chief Commissioner of Gold Fields and the Secretary for Lands, between the 1st January and 1st May, 1860, with respect to the Kiandra Gold Fields; also, a copy of all correspondence which took place between Commissioner Lynch and the Chief Commissioner of Gold Fields, during the same period, and having reference to the same subject.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
14. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable John Campbell, Esquire, to sell certain Trust Lands, and effect other purposes relating thereto.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
15. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill, 1861 :—
(1.) On motion of Mr. Weekes read a third time and *passed*.
(2.) Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the years 1860 and 1861.*"
Question put and passed.
(3.) Whereupon Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the years 1860 and 1861,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24th January, 1861. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
16. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Tuesday next,—to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day.
Debate ensued.
Question—on the motion for the proposed adjournment of the Debate,—put and negatived.
Original Question stated.
Debate continued.

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Mr. Lackey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow, to take precedence of all other business on the Paper for that day.

Question put on the motion for the proposed adjournment of the Debate.

The House divided.

Ayes, 7.

Mr. Redman,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Eusden,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Lackey, } Tellers.

Noes, 37.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Haworth,	
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Maricham,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Arnold,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Morris,	} Tellers.
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Cunneen,		

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Mr. Hoskins moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question, on the motion for the proposed adjournment of the Debate, put and negatived.

Original Question then put and passed,—

And Bill read a second time;—

Whereupon Mr. Cowper moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at ten minutes before Twelve o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill; second reading.
2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
(2.) And that such Committee consist of Captain Moriarty, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Love, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Allen, and the Mover.
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5. MR. WALSH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, containing the Names of all Lessees of Crown Lands within the Settled Districts, under the Regulations of 29 March, 1848; the number of sections held by each, and the amount of rent payable in respect thereof.
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Questions :—

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2. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If the Government contemplate removing the Toll-Bar at Pitt Row, Parramatta, from its present site; if so, where is it to be removed to?
 - (2.) Has any correspondence taken place between the Government and private individuals relative to its removal; if so, the nature thereof?
3. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government have received any application from residents on the North Shore, St. Leonard's, having reference to giving greater facility of transit from the City of Sydney to St. Leonard's; if so, what the Government intend doing in the matter?
4. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether or not the expenditure of money set apart to repair roads on which no toll is collected is laid out on proclaimed roads only, or whether it is expended indiscriminately on mere tracks?
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7. MR. C. COWPER, JUNIOR, to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When it is the intention of the Government to call for fresh tenders for the erection of a Court House and Lock-up at Adelong?

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1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not less than £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.
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 - (3.) What compensation for losses sustained are the Government prepared to award the Contractor for the above works?
5. MR. WILSON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) When it is probable the new Gold Fields Regulations will be issued?
 - (2.) If it is the intention of the Government to alter in any way the mode of administering these regulations?

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

300	350	7	8
350	400	8	9
400	450	9	10
450	500	10	11
500	550	11	12
550	600	12	13
600	650	13	14
650	700	14	15
700	750	15	16
750	800	16	17
800	850	17	18
850	900	18	19
900	1,000	19	20
1,000 and over		20	

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Wisdom.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
 2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
 3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. HANNELL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 (1.) Whether the Government contemplate the introduction of any measure to authorise the collection of Tonnage Dues from vessels visiting the various Ports and Harbours of the Colony?
 (2.) If not, will the Government introduce a Bill during the present Session to repeal the 19th Vic., No. 25, authorising the collection of such Dues at the Port of Newcastle?
2. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government intend to have the plans for crossing the streets of Newcastle, with lines of Railway for the shipment of coals by the Australian Agricultural and Coal and Copper Companies, as prepared by the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways, put into operation; and, if so, when?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Church and School Lands Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. HART to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 25 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Deputy Speaker's Commission to Administer the Oath :—The Speaker reported that he had received a Commission, under the Seal of the Territory, dated 18th January, 1861, and signed by His Excellency the then Governor General, Sir W. Denison, empowering Robert Wisdom, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly, in the absence of the Speaker, to administer to Members the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance required by Law, as follows :—

“ By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General in and over all Her Majesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia, 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.

“ To all to whom these presents shall come,

“ GREETING :

“ In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir William Thomas Denison, as Governor of the said Colony of New South Wales, do hereby authorise Robert Wisdom, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly in the said Colony, in the absence of the Honorable the Speaker of the said Assembly, to administer from time to time, as occasion may require, to any Member of the said Assembly, to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen, required by Law to be taken or made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall be permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

“ Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Territory, at Government House, Sydney, this eighteenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the twenty-fourth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

“ W. DENISON.”

“ By His Excellency's Command, and with the advice of the Executive Council.

“ CHARLES COWPER.”

2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill :—Mr. Parkes having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue, Bill intituled, “ *A Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson of land at Balmain to sell the said land and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof,*”—read a first time.
3. Assumption of Administration of the Government by Lieutenant Colonel Kempt :—Mr. Cowper, adverting to the Message (No. 1.) received by this House on the 23rd instant, from Lieutenant Colonel Kempt, announcing His Excellency's Assumption of the Administration of the Government,—moved, (without notice,) that the following Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message, viz. :—

To His Excellency JOHN FRANCIS KEMPT, Esquire, of Her Majesty's 12th Regiment, Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army, the Senior Military Officer for the time being Commanding Her Majesty's Land Forces in the Colony of New South Wales, and Administrator of the Government.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Message, announcing that you had assumed the Government of the Colony as Administrator, in consequence of the departure of SIR WILLIAM DENISON for India, and in virtue of Her Majesty's Warrant, dated 3rd May, 1859.

We beg to assure you, that we shall at all times be ready to co-operate with your Excellency in advancing the welfare of this Country.

Question put and passed.

4. Motion withdrawn:—Captain Moriarty, on behalf of Mr. Walsh, withdrew the motion standing in Mr. Walsh's name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
5. Capital Punishments Abolition Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight,—

SATURDAY, 26 JANUARY, 1861, A.M.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Robertson, Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Markham, Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Dickson, Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Allen,
Mr. Wilson, Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Meston, Mr. Blake,
Mr. J. T. Ryan, Mr. Lucas, } Tellers.

Noes, 25.

Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Cowper, Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Mate, Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Weekes, Mr. Morrice,
Mr. McArthur, Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Love, Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Watt, Mr. C. Cowper,
Mr. Caldwell, junior,
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Mr. Piddington, Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Redman, Capt. Moriarty,
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Mr. Terry, Mr. Driver,

6. Postponements:—
(1.) The second and third Orders of the Day till Friday next, on motion of Mr. Lucas.
(2.) The Motions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6, till Tuesday next, by the respectively named Members:—
No. 1.—Mr. Dalgleish.
No. 2.—Mr. Watt.
No. 3.—Mr. Shepherd.
No. 4.—Mr. Parkes, on behalf of Mr. Gray.
No. 6.—Mr. T. Garrett.
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Question put and passed.
8. Postponement:—Motion No. 8, till Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Dalgleish.
The House adjourned, at a quarter before One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

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 (3.) That the Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee of the last Session of the late Parliament, appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Mrs. Mary Jones, be laid upon the Table of this House, with a view to being referred to such Committee.
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 (3.) What compensation for losses sustained are the Government prepared to award the Contractor for the above works?
5. MR. WILSON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 (1.) When it is probable the new Gold Fields Regulations will be issued?
 (2.) If it is the intention of the Government to alter in any way the mode of administering these regulations?
6. MR. WISDOM to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When do the Government intend to proclaim Sofala a place for holding District Courts?
7. MR. LORD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Government intend proclaiming Canambla a place at which Courts of Petty Sessions may be held?
8. MR. BLAKE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend, to introduce, this Session, the Act which lapsed upon the Dissolution of the late Assembly, being, an Act to further amend the law of Property, and to relieve Trustees, the same as the 22nd and 23rd Victoria, ch. 35, brought in by Lord St. Leonards?
9. MR. DICKSON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 (1.) Has the recommendation of the Select Committee, adopted by this House, on the 15 June, that the Maitland Pasturage Reserve should be placed under the management of Trustees, as a Commonage for the general benefit of the inhabitants, received the sanction of the Executive Council?

- (2.) If so, have the Trustees been appointed, and instructions given to complete the Trust Deed?
- (3.) If not, the reason why, and the cause of the delay?
10. MR. DICKSON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—When the Return ordered by this House on 7th February, 1860, shewing,—
- (1.) The way in which all sums of money Voted by this House, under the head of Allowances, Contingencies, Incidental Expenses, Special and Miscellaneous Services, since the introduction of Responsible Government, have been expended;
- (2.) That such Return shall shew in detail the manner in which each Vote, under the above head, has been expended;
- (3.) When the expenditure has been more or less than the sum Voted, how the balance has been appropriated or provided,—will be laid on the Table?

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.					
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„	700	„	750	„	15
„	750	„	800	„	16
„	800	„	850	„	17
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„	900	„	1,000	„	19
„	1,000 and over	„		„	20

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Wisdom.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. HANNELL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
- (1.) Whether the Government contemplate the introduction of any measure to authorise the collection of Tonnage Dues from vessels visiting the various Ports and Harbours of the Colony?
- (2.) If not, will the Government introduce a Bill during the present Session to repeal the 19th Vic., No. 25, authorising the collection of such Dues at the Port of Newcastle?
2. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government intend to have the plans for crossing the streets of Newcastle, with lines of Railway for the shipment of coals by the Australian Agricultural and Coal and Copper Companies, as prepared by the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways, put into operation; and, if so, when?
3. MR. T. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
- (1.) Whether the Government are aware that the Bench of Magistrates at Bombala, have allowed the portion of the Road Grant for 1860, over which they have control, to be expended by one person, and without calling for tenders for the work;
- (2.) If not, will they make inquiry without delay?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill ; second reading.
 2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
 3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Bridge over the Murrumbidgee, at Gundagai:—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to amended notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that he will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, for the purpose of the erection of a Bridge over the Murrumbidgee at Gundagai.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr O'Brien,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Macleay,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Windleyer,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Watt,	Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Wisdom,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Mate,	junr.,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Arnold,
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Walker,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. Douglas,
	} Tellers.		} Tellers.

2. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Wilson withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
 3. Compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courcy:—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday, the 1st February, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £104, in addition to the sum already placed upon the Estimates-in-Chief, as compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courcy, to be continued for five years.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Parkes moved the Previous Question.
 Debate continued.
 Previous Question—That this Question be now put,—put and passed.
 Whereupon Original Question put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 13.	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Terry,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. C. Cowper,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Caldwell,	junr.,
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Hart,		
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Wilson,		
Mr. Allen,	Capt. Moriarty,		
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Windleyer,		
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Walker,		
	} Tellers.		} Tellers.

4. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Terry withdrew the Motion standing in his name, No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
5. Present System of Tendering for the Public Service :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to amended notice :—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the present system of Tendering for the Public Service, with power to inquire generally into the mode of expending money voted by Parliament for specific objects.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Arnold, Daniel, Egan, Parkes, Morris, Wilson, Gray, Dickson, Shepherd, and the Mover.
 - (3.) That the Proceedings of, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the similar Committee of the last Session of the late Parliament, be laid upon the Table of this House, with a view to being referred to such Committee.

Question put and passed ;—

And the Clerk of Select Committees having presented the same at the Bar of the House,—

Mr. Windeyer moved, That the said Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence be referred to the Select Committee so appointed.

Question put and passed.

6. Affixing the Great Seal of the Colony to the Grant of the Escheated Lands of the late John Tawell :—Mr. Redman moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House the conduct of the late Governor General, in affixing the Great Seal against the advice and in spite of his Ministers, and afterwards temporarily intrusting it to his Private Secretary, was not only unconstitutional, hasty, and highly dangerous, but, under the circumstances, has inflicted a private as well as public wrong.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Walsh moved, That the Proceedings be expunged.

Debate continued.

Mr. Walsh's motion by leave withdrawn.

Whereupon Mr. Morris moved the Previous Question.

Debate continued.

Previous Question,—That this Question be now put,—put and *negatived*.

7. Funds for Proposed Reservoir at Narellan :—Mr. Leary moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £150, for the purpose of erecting a Reservoir to supply the village of Narellan with water.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Lucas,	} Tellers.
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Driver,	

Noes, 25.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dagleish.	} Tellers.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Weekes,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Mute,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Shephard,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Irving,	
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Lewis,		

8. Distribution of Relief to Sufferers by last Flood at Windsor :—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names and occupation of the various parties relieved by the Bench of Magistrates at Windsor, upon the occasion of the last flood in that district, shewing the quantity of goods received by each party.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Allen moved, and afterwards by leave withdrew, the Previous Question.

Motion made by Mr. Walker, and Question put and passed,—That the Question be amended by the addition at the end thereof, of the words, "and the names of the individuals, if any, recommending such parties for relief."

Whereupon Question,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names and occupation of the various parties relieved by the Bench of Magistrates at Windsor, upon the occasion of the last flood in that district, shewing the quantity of goods received by each party, and the names of the individuals, if any, recommending such parties for relief,—put and passed.

9. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Hoskins withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
10. Proceedings of the Crown in the matter of the Property of the late John Tawell :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid

laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Imperial and Local Governments, including all opinions of the Law Officers, and all communications from private parties, having reference to the proceedings of the Crown in the matter of the property of the late John Tawell.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Mate withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
12. Burial Grounds and proposed General Cemetery, Sydney :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the condition of the Burial Grounds within the City of Sydney. Also as to the disposal or management of the Old Burial Ground in George-street, Sydney, and as to the selection of a site for a General Cemetery. And all Minutes of the Executive Council relative thereto.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
13. Mr. Keightly :—Mr. T. Garrett moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, all Correspondence between Mr. Keightly, the late Clerk of Petty Sessions and Land Agent at Tamworth, and the Government, in 1857 and 1858, respecting the sale of lands, at Nundle and Tamworth, to Robinson and McPherson, together with all memoranda attached to such Correspondence.
Question put and passed.
14. Foreign Timber :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That in the opinion of this House, it is a waste of Public Money, consequently highly objectionable, to use foreign timber in the Railway and other Public Works of the Colony, excepting battens for slating.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
15. Mrs. Eliza Lockyer :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Mrs. Eliza Lockyer, presented by him on the 24th January, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
16. Postponement :—Mr. Wisdom postponed the Motion standing in the name of Mr. Blake, No. 16 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
17. Mrs. Mary Jones :—Mr. Stewart moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Mrs. Mary Jones, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 24th January, 1860.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Hart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Mate, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Lewis, and the Mover.
(3.) That the Proceedings of and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committees appointed in each of the two Sessions of the late Parliament, to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Mrs. Mary Jones, be laid upon the Table of this House, with a view to being referred to such Committee.
Question put and passed.
And the Clerk of Select Committees having presented the same at the Bar of the House,—
Mr. Stewart moved, That the said Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence be referred to the Select Committee now appointed.
Question put and passed.
18. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson, of land at Balmain, to sell the said land, and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof, be referred to a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Walsh, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Leary, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. C. Cowper, junior, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
19. Grievances :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed for the present Session, to consider and report upon such Petitions to this House, complaining of Grievances, as may, from time to time, be referred to them.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Stewart, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Weekes, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
20. Seamen :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
(2.) And that such Committee consist of Captain Moriarty, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Love, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Allen, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.

21. *Impounding Bill of 1861* :—
 (1.) Mr. Watt moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Repeal the Impounding Act of 1855, and to regulate the Impounding of Stock.
 Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 (2.) Mr. Watt having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "*A Bill to repeal the Impounding Act of 1855, and to regulate the Impounding of Stock*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day fortnight.
22. *Road from Parramatta River to Great North Road* :—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence between the Executive Government and any person or persons—and of all applications, memorials, or petitions, having reference to the opening of a road leading from the Parramatta River near Kissing Point, and by the Watch House at Ryde to the Great North Road from Bedlam Ferry.
 Question put and passed.
23. *Postponement* :—Captain Moriarty postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Gray, No. 23 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
24. *Shoalhaven Municipality* :—Mr. T. Garrett moved, pursuant to notice, That the Mayor of Shoalhaven have leave to appear, and be heard by Counsel or Attorney, if he choose, before the Committee appointed to inquire into the allegation, contained in the Petitions of Alexander Berry and the Mayor of Shoalhaven, relative to the establishment of the Shoalhaven Municipality.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight ;—

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25. *Smith v. Crook* :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of all Correspondence which took place between the Harbour Master of the Port of Sydney, and the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, relating to the case of Smith v. Crook, together with the Minutes of Evidence on the Trial.
 Question put and passed.
26. *Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill* :—Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Bill be "now" read a third time.
 Mr. Walsh moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "now," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "re-committed, with a view to the re-consideration of Clauses 1 and 2."
 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 re-consideration of Clauses 1 and 2,—put and passed.
 Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
 The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments,—
 Mr. Windeyer moved, "That" this report be now adopted.
 Mr. Cowper moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the re-consideration of Clause 3."
 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 the place of the words omitted, be so inserted,—put and passed.
 Question,—That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the re-consideration of Clause 3,—put and passed.
 Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
 The Chairman having reported the Bill with a further amendment,—
 Mr. Windeyer moved, That the adoption of the Report stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
 Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at twenty-five minutes after Twelve o'clock, A. M., until Three o'clock, P. M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

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800	850	17	18	19	20
850	900	18	19	20	
900	1,000	19	20		
1,000 and over		20			

2. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That this House will, on Friday, February 8, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to improve the Municipal revenues of the City of Sydney, by additional powers of taxation, or otherwise.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petitions of Cornelius Delohery, James Pegg, and Frederick Dunbar, be referred to the Committee on Grievances with instructions to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in them.

Questions:—

1. MR. HANNELL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
(1.) Whether the Government contemplate the introduction of any measure to authorise the collection of Tonnage Dues from vessels visiting the various Ports and Harbours of the Colony?
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3. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government are aware that the Bench of Magistrates at Bombala, have allowed the portion of the Road Grant for 1860, over which they have control, to be expended by one person, and without calling for tenders for the work;
 - (2.) If not, will they make inquiry without delay?
4. MR. WILSON *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If the Government intend taking any steps to ensure the representation of this Colony at the International Exhibition of 1862?
5. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Have the Government caused inquiry to be made as to the alleged striking of a prisoner of the Crown named Paddy Murray (one of the Cockatoo Island insubordinates), whilst manacled, by Inspector Singleton, in Darlinghurst Gaol, on the 24th inst.?
 - (2.) If not, will inquiry be made without delay?
6. MR. LEARY *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is the Government aware that the approach to the Menangle Bridge, on the northern side, is in a very bad state; if so, when does the Government intend to effect the necessary repairs to such road?
7. MR. RUSDEN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) What answer the Minister for Lands gave to a Memorial sent by the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, for a piece of land for a Town Common, and to procure firewood?
 - (2.) Why this land was recently sold by the Government after the Minister of Lands had promised the people of Muswellbrook to use his endeavors that they should have it, none other being eligible or unsold in the District?
 - (3.) What amount has been *recently* expended in repairing the police paddock fences at Wee Waa, seeing that this land has been laid out in allotments for sale?
 - (4.) Whether any rent is paid for the dwelling and police paddock at Muswellbrook by the present occupant; and if so, upon what terms does he enjoy the exclusive use?
8. MR. RUSDEN *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If the Government are aware that the Police Magistrate, at Wee Waa, occupies the Court House at Wee Waa as a private dwelling; and if any rent is paid by the occupant for the same?
9. MR. DICKSON *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has the recommendation of the Select Committee, adopted by this House, on the 15 June last, that the Maitland Pasturage Reserve should be placed under the management of Trustees, as a Commonage for the general benefit of the inhabitants, received the sanction of the Executive Council?
 - (2.) If so, have the Trustees been appointed, and instructions been given to complete the Trust Deed?
 - (3.) If not, the reason why, and the cause of the delay?

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31.

Questions :—

1. MR. SHEPHERD *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is the Government aware that portions of the main road on the South Line, where dykes have been cut on each side, are rendered exceedingly dangerous, and almost impassable?
 - (2.) Do the Government intend to open and clear from timber Lines, so as to admit of traffic, where the road is so rendered impassable?
 - (3.) Is it the intention of the present Government to continue that plan of digging dykes on each side of the road, without at the same time devising some scheme to make the road safe and adapted for traffic?
2. MR. ROTTON *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Has the Government any intention of establishing a uniform rate of charges for Telegraphic Communications?
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill; second reading.
2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
4. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courcy; consideration in Committee of an Address in reference to.
5. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill Reported 3^d; adoption of the Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WATT *to move*, That Returns be laid upon the Table of this House of all Vessels entering Port Jackson requiring Pilots, in each year, commencing on the 1st January, 1852, and ending on the 31st December, 1860; of the number of such Vessels that did not receive the assistance of a Pilot, in each year, and the cause thereof.

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6. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
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 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Government to cause to be examined the Rivers of the Colony, especially the Shoalhaven and Snowy Rivers, with the view of determining their suitability for the development of Salmon.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the above resolution to be carried into effect.
4. MR. MESTON to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £450 to provide for the Salary of a Police Magistrate at Tenterfield and Glen Innes.
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 30 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Member Sworn:—Henry Flett, Esq., having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Hastings.
2. Papers:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 - (1.) Return to Address, in reference to East Maitland Land Reserves, adopted, on motion of Mr. Robertson, on the 2nd February, 1860.
 - (2.) Return to Order in reference to Messrs. West, Brothers, made by this House, on motion of Mr. Watt, on the 6th November, 1860.
 - (3.) Road Trust Accounts.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (4.) Return to Address, in reference to Pre-emptive Right exercised by Clark Irving, Esquire, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 22nd September, 1859.
 - (5.) Return to Address, in reference to Mr. C. G. T. Chauvel and others, adopted, on motion of Mr. Hart, on the 1st June, 1860.
 - (6.) Return to Order, in reference to encroachment on Market-street by Alderman Northwood, made by this House, on motion of Mr. Forster, on the 23rd October, 1860.
3. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Dick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.
Debate ensued.
Question put on the motion for the proposed adjournment of the Debate.
The House divided.

Ayes, 16.	Nocs, 30.
Capt. Moriarty, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Mate, Mr. Terry, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Allen, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Raper, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Stewart, } Tellers. Mr. Dick,	Mr. O'Brien, Mr. J. T. Ryan, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Robertson, Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Driver, Mr. Wilson, Mr. J. Garrett, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Lesley, Mr. C. Cowper, Mr. Love, junr., Mr. Parkes, Mr. Meston, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Peisley, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Walker, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Lucas, } Tellers. Mr. Flett, Mr. Redman, Mr. Markham,

Whereupon, Original Question put and passed;—
 And Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Robertson then moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
 Question put and passed.

4. Messages:—The Speaker reported that, during the Debate on the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861, the following Messages were received from the Legislative Council:—
 - (1.) Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill, 1861:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the service of the years 1860 and 1861,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
 Sydney, 30th January, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
 President.
 (2.)

(2.) New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for taking the Census in 1861,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30th January, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill (2,) on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

5. Postponements :—

(1.) Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

(2.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

(3.) The consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Wednesday next.

(4.) The resumption of the Committee of Supply postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.

6. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Dick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 31 JANUARY, 1861. A.M.

Question put on the motion for the Adjournment of the Debate.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Walker, } Tellers.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. C. Cowper, junr.,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Driver,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Sutheiland,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Meston,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Arnold,
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Markhan,	Mr. T. Garrett, } Tellers.

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Original Question put and passed ;—

And Bill read a second time.

Mr. Robertson then moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day.

Question put and passed.

7. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday, February 8, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to improve the Municipal revenues of the City of Sydney, by additional powers of taxation, or otherwise.

Question put and passed.

8. Grievances :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petitions of Cornelius Delohery, James Pegg, and Frederick Dunbar, be referred to the Committee on Grievances, with instructions to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in them.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at eight minutes before One o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
2. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 ; second reading.
3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is the Government aware that portions of the main road on the South Line, where dykes have been cut on each side, are rendered exceedingly dangerous, and almost impassable?
 - (2.) Do the Government intend to open and clear from timber Lines, so as to admit of traffic, where the road is so rendered impassable?
 - (3.) Is it the intention of the present Government to continue that plan of digging dykes on each side of the road, without at the same time devising some scheme to make the road safe and adapted for traffic?
2. MR. ROTTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Has the Government any intention of establishing a uniform rate of charges for Telegraphic Communications?
3. MR. DOUGLAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the differences existing between the Government and Sir Morton Peto and Co. are likely to be satisfactorily settled, and at what period it is probable that the Railways at present under construction will be completed; and further, whether the Government have arrived at any definite decision as to the material of which the Menangle Viaduct is to be constructed?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill ; second reading.
2. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
4. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courcy ; consideration in Committee of an Address in reference to.
5. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill Reported 3^o ; adoption of the Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WATT to move, That Returns be laid upon the Table of this House of all Vessels entering Port Jackson requiring Pilots, in each year, commencing on the 1st January, 1852, and ending on the 31st December, 1860 ; of the number of such Vessels that did not receive the assistance of a Pilot, in each year, and the cause thereof.
2. MR. WATT to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Pilot Board and the Government, relative to the appointment of an additional, or sixth, Pilot for Port Jackson.
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4. MR. BLAKE to move, For copies of all Correspondence between the Local and Imperial Governments, together with all papers in the offices of the several departments of Government, with reference to the claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft.
5. MR. HART to move, That the Petition of Mrs. Eliza Lockyer, presented on the 24th January, be referred to the Select Committee on Grievances for their consideration and report.
6. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay ;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.

7. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship "Norna," to bail—he being act and part charged with an execrable murder as ever stained the annals of crime—an unailable offence.

(2.) That the said Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hoskins, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dick, and the Mover.

Question :—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If it is the intention of Government to continue the present monopoly of Railway Contracts, enjoyed by Messrs. Peto, Brassey, & Co., to the exclusion of others who are properly prepared with capital, credit, and plant, to tender for the same?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. HART to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
3. MR. WILSON to move,—
(1.) That in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Government to cause to be examined the Rivers of the Colony, especially the Shoalhaven and Snowy Rivers, with the view of determining their suitability for the development of Salmon.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the above resolution to be carried into effect.
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5. MR. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires.
6. MR. BLAKE to move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law of Property, and to relieve Trustees.

Questions :—

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(1.) When the Contract for the erection of the Electric Telegraph from Lochinvar to Murrurundi was entered into?
(2.) How much of the work has been performed?
(3.) Was any time specified for the completion of the Contract; if so, when will it expire?
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3. MR. DICK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any Contracts have been entered into for the erection of Telegraph Stations on the Great Northern Telegraphic Line?

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6.

Contingent Notices of Motion :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under	£300 at least	6 per cent.	
" 300	" 350	" 7	"
" 350	" 400	" 8	"
" 400	" 450	" 9	"
" 450	" 500	" 10	"
" 500	" 550	" 11	"
" 550	" 600	" 12	"
" 600	" 650	" 13	"
" 650	" 700	" 14	"
" 700	" 750	" 15	"
" 750	" 800	" 16	"
" 800	" 850	" 17	"
" 850	" 900	" 18	"
" 900	" 1,000	" 19	"
" 1,000 and over	"	" 20	"

2. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861*,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply*,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.

Question :—

1. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend, during the present Session, to introduce a short Bill to enable Commissioners of Road Trusts to enter upon lands adjacent to roads and bridges under their control, to cut and remove timber therefrom for the repair of such roads and bridges, the Judges having recently decided, in the case of Fitzpatrick and the Commissioners of the Campbelltown Road Trust, that Commissioners have no authority to do so under the Road Trust Act 13 Victoria, No. 41 ?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861 ; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 31 JANUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Member of Committee of Elections and Qualifications Sworn :—John Garrett, Esquire, sworn at the Table, by the Clerk, as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, for the present Session, pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
2. Postponement :—Mr. Cowper postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1, on the Notice Paper for to-day, until the motion No. 2 shall have been disposed of.
3. Ways and Means :—Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight :—

FRIDAY, 1 FEBRUARY, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next, and reported the following Resolution :—

(1.) Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee that in lieu of the duties now payable under the Act 19 Vic., No. 14, on the several descriptions of imported spirits, there shall be levied duties on spirits or strong waters of any strength not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof at the following rates for every gallon, that is to say :—Brandy, Gin, Whisky, Rum, and all other spirits—Ten Shillings.

On spirits, cordials, liqueurs, or strong waters sweetened or mixed with any article so that the strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Syke's Hydrometer, for every gallon—Ten Shillings.

On perfumed spirits, for every gallon—Ten Shillings.

On wine containing more than 25 per cent. of Alcohol, of a specific gravity of 825, at the temperature of 60 degrees of Fahrenheit's Thermometer, for every gallon in proportion to strength—Ten Shillings.

That the duties on spirits, made or distilled in the Colony from imported sugar, shall be for every gallon—Nine Shillings and five-pence.

That the duties on spirits, when made or distilled from grain, or other material not subject to duty, shall be for every gallon—Ten Shillings.

That in lieu of the duties of Customs now chargeable on Tea imported into this Colony the following duties shall be charged, that is to say,—upon every pound of Tea, from and after the 31 March, 1861, to 30 September, 1861, inclusive,—Two-pence.

From and after 30 September, 1861, to 31 December, 1861, inclusive,—One penny.

After which date the duties on Tea shall cease and determine.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put.

The

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Meston,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Flett,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Allen,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Driver,
junr.,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Leary,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Stewart,	Capt. Moriarty,

Noes, 23.

Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Scott,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Hay,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Hoskins,	

} Tellers.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at a quarter before Three o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.

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2. MR. LEARY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Did the Government, some time since, place an amount of money to the credit of Sir W. M'Arthur, for the purpose of repairing the approach to Menangle Bridge, on the northern side?
 - (2.) If so, is the Government aware that such money was very injudiciously expended?
 - (3.) Why was not this money placed to the credit of the Commissioners of this road?

3. MR. BUCHANAN *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Who was the Judge or Judges in the District Court of East Maitland, who sanctioned such a scale of Fees as was charged in the case lately tried there, *Moffatt v. Brodie*—and if the Government mean to take any steps whereby the enormous charges in such Courts may be brought within rational and reasonable bounds?
4. MR. LAYCOCK *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government contemplate bringing forward a Tolls Amendment Act Repeal Bill, this or next Session, to come into operation on the first of January next, or will the Country have to rest satisfied with the Bill which was rejected by the last Parliament, but which it is understood will again be brought forward this Session?
5. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether any applications have been made to the Government by parties desirous of enrolling as Naval Volunteers, and whether the Government have had under consideration the subject of forming a Naval Volunteer Force in this Colony?
6. MR. DANIEL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If the Great Western Road terminating at Wellington, passes through the Township of Molong, or by the way of Stoney Creek?
 - (2.) When the unfinished part of the Great Western Road, from the Township of Orange to Wellington, will be surveyed?
7. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Does the Government intend, at an early stage of this Session, to submit any scheme to the Assembly for the extension of Internal Communication to the Northern, Southern, and Western Districts; if so, will the Honorable Minister be good enough to explain the nature of the scheme to be submitted?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
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 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Government to cause to be examined the Rivers of the Colony, especially the Shoalhaven and Snowy Rivers, with the view of determining their suitability for the development of Salmon.
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3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply*,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

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1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
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(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
- Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
- Ways and Means; Resumption of the Committee.
- Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
- New South Wales Census Bill for 1861; second reading.
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That Copies of the following Documents be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. Alexander Berry, viz. :—
(1.) Petition from certain Landed Proprietors in the District of Shoalhaven, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
(2.) Petition from James Graham, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
(3.) Return to an Address adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 27th September, 1859, for “ all Correspondence relating to the establishment of the Municipality of “ Nowra; also, the description of the approved boundaries of such Municipality, accompanied by a Plan, shewing the same, and as nearly as may be, the Boundaries specified “ in the Petition,”—laid upon the Table on the 25th January last.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move, for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 1 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Assent to Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,

Message No. 2.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the service of the years 1860 and 1861," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 1st February, 1861.

2. Papers:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 - (1.) Estimates of the Ways and Means of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1861.
 - (2.) Particulars of the amount of Savings on Votes of Parliament. Dated 18 October, 1860.

Ordered to be printed.
3. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Wilson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Robertson moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question put,—That this Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Leary,	Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Cunneen,	
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Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Rotton,	
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Mr. Driver,		

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Mr. Peisley,	
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Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Scott,	
Mr. C. Cowper, junr.,	
Mr. Dick,	

Original Question then put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Parkes,
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Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. C. Cowper,
Mr. Lackey,	junr.

} Tellers.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Terry,
Mr. Hart,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Scott,
Mr. Redman,
Mr. Dick,

} Tellers.

Whereupon Bill read a second time.

Mr. Wilson then moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day week.

Question put and passed.

4. Postponements :—Mr. Leary, on behalf of Mr. Lucas, postponed the Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 until this day week.
5. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courey :—Mr. Hart moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of an Address in reference thereto.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn, and Order of the Day postponed, on motion of Mr. Hart, until Friday next.
6. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill Reported 3^o :—Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Question put and passed ;—Ordered, that the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
7. Vessels entering Port Jackson :—Mr. Watt moved, pursuant to notice, That Returns be laid upon the Table of this House of all Vessels entering Port Jackson requiring Pilots, in each year, commencing on the 1st January, 1852, and ending on the 31st December, 1860 ; of the number of such Vessels that did not receive the assistance of a Pilot, in each year, and the cause thereof.
Question put and passed.
8. Additional, or Sixth, Pilot for Port Jackson :—Mr. Watt moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between the Pilot Board and the Government, relative to the appointment of an additional, or sixth, Pilot for Port Jackson.
Question put and passed.
9. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Rusden withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
10. Motion dropped :—Mr. Blake not making the motion standing in his name, No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
11. Mrs. Eliza Lockyer :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mrs. Eliza Lockyer, presented by him on the 24th January, be referred to the Select Committee on Grievances, for their consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 9.

Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Redman,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Hart,

} Tellers.

Noes, 29.

Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Dalglish,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. C. Cowper, junr.,
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Scott,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Macleay,	

} Tellers.

12. Postponements :—

(1.) Captain Moriarty postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Gray, No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Wednesday next.

(2.) Mr. Buchanan postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

The House adjourned at five minutes after Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
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7. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the whole system of tendering for Runs.
 - (2.) That all tenders, accepted and not accepted, for land in the Warrego District and other out Districts, for the last ten years, with all correspondence relating thereto, be laid upon the Table of this House, and be sent to this Committee to report upon.
 - (3.) That it be an especial instruction to such Committee to inquire into and report upon the case of Messrs. Miller and Maxwell.
 - (4.) That the Returns moved for by him on the 18th January, for a list of all tenders of Runs remaining undisposed of up to this date, with their dates of application and names of the applicants, be sent to the Committee to report upon.
 - (5.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Mate, Mr. Morris, Mr. Watt, and the Mover.
8. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship "Norna," to bail—he being act and part charged with as execrable a murder as ever stained the annals of crime—an unballable offence.
 - (2.) That the said Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hoskins, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dick, and the Mover.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill; third reading.

Questions :—

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 - (1.) When the Contract for the erection of the Electric Telegraph from Lochinvar to Murrurundi was entered into?
 - (2.) How much of the work has been performed?
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 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government, in the event of a District Court being established at West Kempsey, on the Macleay River, to abolish the District Court now held at Port Macquarie?
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WEDNESDAY,

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4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
5. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861; second reading.
6. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.

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2. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government are aware that the recent floods have washed away a considerable quantity of the stone-work from the dam which at present supplies the inhabitants of Parramatta with water; and if the Government intend to take any steps to have it repaired?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
5. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courcy; consideration in Committee of an Address in reference to.

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T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Election Petition:—Mr. Robertson, *by Command*, laid upon the Table a Petition from William Palmer Moffat, of Balmain and Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales Solicitor, against the Election and Return of Thomas Ware Smart, Esquire, as Member for the Electorate of The Glebe,—on the ground that the Petitioner himself had a right to have been returned or elected as such Member.
 Petition, on motion of Mr. Robertson, referred to the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.
 2. Papers:—Mr. Weckes laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 (1.) Report from the Health Officer of Sydney for the year 1859.
 (2.) Despatches from the Secretary of State relative to Pilotage and Harbour Dues.
 Ordered to be printed.
 3. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from James and Alexander Brown, co-partners, of Newcastle, praying for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act,—
 And Mr. Parkes having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and *Newcastle Chronicle* newspapers, containing notice for four consecutive weeks, in the month of January, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
 Petition received.
 4. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Windeyer not making the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
 5. Postponement:—Mr. Dick postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Hart, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
 6. Examination of Rivers with a view to the Development of Salmon:—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice,—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Government to cause to be examined the Rivers of the Colony, especially the Shoalhaven and Snowy Rivers, with the view of determining their suitableness for the development of Salmon.
 (2.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the above resolution to be carried into effect.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.
 The House divided.
- | Ayes, 24. | | Noes, 15. | |
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| Mr. Wisdom, | Mr. Morris, | Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Arnold, |
| Mr. Smart, | Mr. Leary, | Mr. Weckes, | Mr. Hoskins, |
| Mr. Wilson, | Mr. Raper, | Mr. Lucas, | Mr. Cummings, |
| Mr. Caldwell, | Mr. Mate, | Mr. Dickson, | } Tellers. |
| Mr. Sutherland, | Mr. Watt, | Mr. Hart, | |
| Mr. Lewis, | Mr. Love, | Mr. Dalgleish, | |
| Mr. Morrice, | Mr. Blake, | Mr. Markham, | |
| Mr. O'Brien, | Mr. McArthur, | Mr. Buchanan, | |
| Mr. Hay, | Mr. Meston, | Mr. Stewart, | |
| Capt. Moriarty, | Mr. T. Garrett, | Mr. Flett, | |
| Mr. Piddington, | Mr. Driver, | Mr. Shepherd, | |
| Mr. Terry, | Mr. Lesley, | Mr. Rusden, | |
7. Proposed Salary for a Police Magistrate at Tenterfield and Glen Innes:—Mr. Meston moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £450 to provide for the Salary of a Police Magistrate at Tenterfield and Glen Innes.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.

8. Postponement:—Mr. Hoskins postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Dick, No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
9. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill of 1861:—Mr. Blake moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law of Property, and to relieve Trustees.
Question put and passed;—*Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
10. System of Tendering for Runs:—Mr. Rusden moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the whole system of tendering for Runs.
(2.) That all tenders, accepted and not accepted, for land in the Warrego District and other out Districts, for the last ten years, with all correspondence relating thereto, be laid upon the Table of this House, and be sent to this Committee to report upon.
(3.) That it be an especial instruction to such Committee to inquire into and report upon the case of Messrs. Miller and Maxwell.
(4.) That the Returns moved for by him on the 18th January, for a list of all tenders of Runs remaining undisposed of up to this date, with their dates of application and names of the applicants, be sent to the Committee to report upon.
(5.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Mate, Mr. Morris, Mr. Watt, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
11. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill of 1861:—Mr. Piddington, on behalf of Mr. Blake, having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to further amend the Law of Property and to relieve Trustees*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.
12. Postponement:—Mr. Buchanan postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
13. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill, on motion of Mr. Driver, read a third time and passed.
Mr. Driver then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the fifty-eighth, fifty-ninth, and sixtieth Sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857*."
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the fifty-eighth, fifty-ninth, and sixtieth Sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857*," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Speaker.
Sydney, 5th February, 1861.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned at ten minutes after Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of	£250 and under	£300 at least	6 per cent.
"	300	350	7 "
"	350	400	8 "
"	400	450	9 "
"	450	500	10 "
"	500	550	11 "
"	550	600	12 "
"	600	650	13 "
"	650	700	14 "
"	700	750	15 "
"	750	800	16 "
"	800	850	17 "
"	850	900	18 "
"	900	1,000	19 "
"	1,000 and over	"	20 "

2. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. MR. WEEKES to move, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of a Bill, intituled a Bill for granting duties of Customs, and of a Bill to alter the duty on Colonial spirits, passing through all their stages in one day.
4. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill for granting duties of Customs.
5. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter the duty on Colonial spirits.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Ways and Means ; Resumption of the Committee.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
5. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 ; second reading.
6. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay ;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.
2. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act.
3. MR. HAY to move, That so much of the 60th Standing Order be suspended as may enable a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah, to be introduced into this House on a Petition presented to Parliament on the twenty-fifth of October, 1860.
4. MR. HAY to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.

Questions :—

1. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend, during the present Session, to introduce a short Bill to enable Commissioners of Road Trusts to enter upon lands adjacent to roads and bridges under their control, to cut and remove timber therefrom for the repair of such roads and bridges, the Judges having recently decided, in the case of Fitzpatrick and the Commissioners of the Campbelltown Road Trust, that Commissioners have no authority to do so under the Road Trust Act 13 Victoria, No. 41 ?
2. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government are aware that the recent floods have washed away a considerable quantity of the stone-work from the dam which at present supplies the inhabitants of Parramatta with water ; and if the Government intend to take any steps to have it repaired ?
3. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to make any inquiry into the conduct of the Police Magistrate at Deniliquin, on the 18th and 19th January, 1861, in sentencing, for one year's imprisonment each with hard labor, two men named Thomas Woods and George Turner, on the evidence of two Aborigines, on a charge of having been found passing the night of the 17th instant, in the Camp of the Blacks ?
4. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When may the House expect a Reply to the Address voted by this Assembly, with reference to the reduction of the Salary of future Governors General ?
5. MR. FLETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government, in the event of a District Court being established at West Kempsey, on the Macleay River, to abolish the District Court now held at Port Macquarie ?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to establish a District Court at Wingham, on the Manning River ?

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Papers shewing when Petty Sessions were established at Condobolin, Lachlan River; the expenses attending making that a place for holding Petty Sessions; distinguishing what the various amounts are paid for; at the same time shewing the number of cases adjudicated, and what they were; also, the number of constables there are stationed at that place, the distance of country over which they are expected to do duty, and what duty they have done since their appointment.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
5. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courey; consideration in Committee of an Address in reference to.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That Copies of the following Documents be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. Alexander Berry, viz. :—
 - (1.) Petition from certain Landed Proprietors in the District of Shoalhaven, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
 - (2.) Petition from James Graham, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
 - (3.) Return to an Address adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 27th September, 1859, for " all Correspondence relating to the establishment of the Municipality of " Nowra; also, the description of the approved boundaries of such Municipality, accompanied by a Plan, shewing the same, and as nearly as may be, the Boundaries specified " in the Petition,"—laid upon the Table on the 25th January last.
2. MR. MORRIS to move for leave to bring in a Bill for the prevention of Scab in Sheep.
3. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
4. MR. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires.
5. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship " Norna," to bail—he being act and part charged with as execrable a murder as ever stained the annals of crime—an unbailable offence.
 - (2.) That the said Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hoskins, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dick, and the Mover.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report to this House upon the conduct of the City Coroner, at the Inquest upon the body of Charles Hall.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.

Questions :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he is aware that all persons confined in the Braidwood Gaol are heavily ironed to prevent their effecting their escape?
2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any Contract has been entered into for the erection of a Public Gaol at Braidwood?
3. MR. RUSDEN to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether the Government will, on inquiry, place a Boat on the River Darling, at Walgett, for the conveyance of Mails and Passengers?

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
2. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act.
3. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That it be an instruction to the Select Committee on Seamen, appointed on the 29th January last, to consider and report upon the general condition and treatment of Seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 6 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill :—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 29th ultimo.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Proposed Standing Orders :—Mr. Piddington, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up, from the Standing Orders Committee, a Report, with the Draft Standing Orders prepared by that Committee, pursuant to an instruction referred to them on the 15th ultimo.
Ordered to be printed.
Whereupon Mr. Piddington moved, That the Proposed Standing Orders be considered in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
3. Shoalhaven Municipality :—Mr. John Garrett presented a Petition from James Graham, Mayor of the Shoalhaven Municipality, under the Common Seal of the Corporation, praying to be heard by Attorney or Counsel before the Select Committee now sitting, on the Shoalhaven Municipality.
Petition received.
4. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill, ordered, on motion of Mr. Parkes, to be read a second time on Friday week.
5. Postponements :—
 - (1.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until this day week.
 - (2.) Mr. Robertson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
6. Suspension of Standing Orders :—Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of a Bill, intituled, a Bill for granting duties of Customs, and of a Bill to alter the duty on Colonial spirits, passing through all their stages in one day.
Debate ensued.
(*Interruption.*)
7. Approaching Exhibition of Industry of all Nations :—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read :—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,

Message No. 8.

Administrator of the Government.

In the Speech with which the Governor General opened the present Session of Parliament, the attention of the Legislature was invited to the propriety of making provision for the adequate representation of New South Wales at the Exhibition of the Industry of all Nations, to be held in London during the ensuing year.

In accordance with the provisions of the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Administrator of the Government now recommends to the Legislative Assembly the appropriation of a sum of £3,000 to enable the Government to take measures for carrying out the object in question.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of Supply.

8. Suspension of Standing Orders:—The Debate on Mr. Weekes' motion, recorded in Entry 6, above, (*interrupted by the Message recorded in Entry 7,*) resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. J. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Weekes,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. Sutherland,	junior,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Flett,	

Noes, 20.

Mr. Watt,	Mr. Blake,	} Tellers.
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Cummings,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Morris,	

9. Duties of Customs Bill of 1861:—

(1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for granting Duties of Customs.

Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

(2.) Mr. Weekes having *presented* this Bill, Bill intituled, "*A Bill for granting Duties of Customs,*" read a first time and ordered to be printed.

(3.) Mr. Weekes then moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gray,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Douglas,	
junior,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Haworth,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Flett,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Meston,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. J. Garrett,	

Noes, 21.

Mr. Mate,	Mr. Piddington,	} Tellers.
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Parkes,		
Mr. Lucas,		
Mr. Raper,		
Mr. Windeyer,		
Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Lord,		
Mr. Shepherd,		
Mr. Hannell,		
Mr. Macleay,		
Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Allen,		
Mr. Lesley,		
Mr. Rusden,		
Mr. Walker,		
Mr. Rotton,		

(4.) Whereupon Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration thereof.

(5.) The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment,

Mr. Weekes moved, That this Report be now adopted.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes 34.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Laycock,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Daniel,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Meston,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. C. Cowper, jun.,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Eckford,	

Noes 8.

Mr. Lucas,	} Tellers.
Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Raper,	
Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Morris,	

(6.) Bill, then, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a third time and *passed*.

(7.) Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for granting Duties of Customs.*"

Question put and passed.

(8.) Whereupon Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for granting Duties of Customs,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 6th February, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

10. Colonial Spirits Duties Bill of 1861 :—

(1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter the duty on Colonial spirits.

Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

(2.) Mr. Weekes having presented this Bill, Bill intituled "*A Bill to alter the Duty on Colonial Spirits*" read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

(3.) Mr. Weekes then moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Aycs, 30.		Noes, 12.
✓ Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Egan,
✓ Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Morris,
✓ Mr. Dick,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. Parkes,
✓ Mr. Redman,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Windeyer,
✓ Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Mate,
✓ Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Raper,
✓ Mr. Leary,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cunneen,
✓ Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Shepherd,
✓ Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Eckford,	Ms. Watt,
✓ Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Cummings,
✓ Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Kotton,
✓ Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Lucas, } Tellers,
✓ Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
✓ Mr. Piddington,	junr.,	
✓ Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Wilson,	
✓ Mr. Flett,		

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight,—

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(4.) Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration thereof.

(5.) The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the same.

(6.) Bill then, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a third time and *passed*.

(7.) Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to alter the Duty on Colonial Spirits.*"

Question put and passed.

(8.) Whereupon, Mr. Weekes moved, that this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to alter the Duty on Colonial Spirits,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th February, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

11. Postponements :—

(1.) The following Orders of the Day postponed until the days specified, on motion of the Ministers respectively named :—

- No. 1, until To-morrow, by Mr. Robertson.
- No. 2, " Ditto, by Mr. Weekes.
- No. 3, " Wednesday next, by ditto.
- No. 4, " To-morrow, by Mr. Robertson.
- No. 5, " Ditto, by ditto.
- No. 6, " Ditto, by ditto.

(2.) Mr. John Garrett postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Gray, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

12. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act.

Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the mover and seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

13. Postponements :—Mr. Morris postponed the motions standing Nos. 3 and 4 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, in the name of Mr. Hay, until to-morrow.

The House adjourned at a quarter after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under		£300 at least		6 per cent.	
”	300	”	350	”	7
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”	400	”	450	”	9
”	450	”	500	”	10
”	500	”	550	”	11
”	550	”	600	”	12
”	600	”	650	”	13
”	650	”	700	”	14
”	700	”	750	”	15
”	750	”	800	”	16
”	800	”	850	”	17
”	850	”	900	”	18
”	900	”	1,000	”	19
”	1,000 and over	”	”	”	20

2. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
- Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
- Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
- New South Wales Census Bill for 1861; second reading.
- Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- MR. SHEPHERD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Papers shewing when Petty Sessions were established at Condo-bolin, Lachlan River; the expenses attending making that a place for holding Petty Sessions; distinguishing what the various amounts are paid for; at the same time shewing the number of cases adjudicated, and what they were; also, the number of constables there are stationed at that place, the distance of country over which they are expected to do duty, and what duty they have done since their appointment.
- MR. J. GARRETT to move, That the prayer of James Graham, Esquire, to be heard by Counsel and Attorney before the Select Committee now sitting, to inquire into the allegation contained in the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, be complied with.
- MR. HAY to move, That so much of the 60th Standing Order be suspended as may enable a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah, to be introduced into this House on a Petition presented to Parliament on the twenty-fifth of October, 1860.
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FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
5. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courey; consideration in Committee of an Address in reference to.

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1. Mr. J. GABRETT to move, That Copies of the following Documents be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. Alexander Berry, viz. :—
 - (1.) Petition from certain Landed Proprietors in the District of Shoalhaven, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
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 - (3.) Return to an Address adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 27th September, 1859, for "all Correspondence relating to the establishment of the Municipality of Nowra; also, the description of the approved boundaries of such Municipality, accompanied by a Plan, shewing the same, and as nearly as may be, the Boundaries specified in the Petition,"—laid upon the Table on the 25th January last.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
4. Mr. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires.
5. Mr. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship "Norna," to bail—he being act and part charged with as execrable a murder as ever stained the annals of crime—an unailable offence.
 - (2.) That the said Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hoskins, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dick, and the Mover.
6. Mr. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report to this House upon the conduct of the City Coroner, at the Inquest upon the body of Charles Hall.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.

Questions:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he is aware that all persons confined in the Braidwood Gaol are heavily ironed to prevent their effecting their escape?
2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any Contract has been entered into for the erection of a Public Gaol at Braidwood?
3. Mr. RUSDEN to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether the Government will, on inquiry, place a Boat on the River Darling, at Walgett, for the conveyance of Mails and Passengers?
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5. Mr. WINDEYER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Are the Government aware of the dangerous and unprotected state of the Cliffs in the neighbourhood of the Flagstaff?
 - (2.) Do the Government intend to take any steps to prevent the recurrence of accidents in that neighbourhood?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.

2. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act.
3. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That it be an instruction to the Select Committee on Seamen, appointed on the 29th January last, to consider and report upon the general condition and treatment of Seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
4. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Proposed Standing Orders ; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; Resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; second reading.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 7 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Postponement:—Mr. Robertson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
2. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Parkes having presented this Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act,*" read a first time.
3. Postponements:—
 - (1.) The consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.
 - (2.) The Resumption of the Committee of Supply postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

FRIDAY, 8 FEBRUARY, 1861, A.M.

- The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour to-day.
5. Postponements:—The 4th and 5th Orders of the Day postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until a later hour to-day.
 6. Petty Sessions, Condobolin:—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Papers shewing when Petty Sessions were established at Condobolin, Lachlan River; the expenses attending making that a place for holding Petty Sessions; distinguishing what the various amounts are paid for; at the same time shewing the number of cases adjudicated, and what they were; also, the number of constables there are stationed at that place, the distance of country over which they are expected to do duty, and what duty they have done since their appointment.
Question put and passed.
 7. Shoalhaven Municipality:—Mr. Garrett moved, pursuant to notice, That the prayer of James Graham, Esquire, to be heard by Counsel and Attorney before the Select Committee now sitting, to inquire into the allegation contained in the Petition of Alexander Berry, Esquire, be complied with.
Question put and passed.
 8. Suspension of Standing Order:—Mr. Hay moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the 60th Standing Order be suspended as may enable a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah, to be introduced into this House on a Petition presented to Parliament on the twenty-fifth of October, 1860.
Question put and passed.
 9. Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company's Bill:—
 - (1.) Mr. Hay moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company, and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River, at Wahgunyah.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

(2.)

(2.) Mr. Hay having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled "A Bill to incorporate a Company to be called 'The Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company' and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah, and to take Toll thereat and for other purposes,"—read a first time.

10. Committee of Elections and Qualifications :—The Speaker, pursuant to the requirement of the Electoral Act of 1858, laid upon the Table his Warrant, appointing Thomas Garrett, Esquire, to be a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, of which the following is a copy :—

"LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

"By the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales.

"Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in me, as Speaker of the Legislative
Assembly of New South Wales, by the Electoral Act of 1858, I do hereby appoint

"Thomas Garrett, Esquire,

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

"Given under my Hand, at the Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Macquarie-street, Sydney, this eighth day of February, in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

"T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker."

The House adjourned at twenty-five minutes after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

Contingent Notices of Motion :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows :—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

"	300	"	350	"	7	"
"	350	"	400	"	8	"
"	400	"	450	"	9	"
"	450	"	500	"	10	"
"	500	"	550	"	11	"
"	550	"	600	"	12	"
"	600	"	650	"	13	"
"	650	"	700	"	14	"
"	700	"	750	"	15	"
"	750	"	800	"	16	"
"	800	"	850	"	17	"
"	850	"	900	"	18	"
"	900	"	1,000	"	19	"
"	1,000 and over	"		"	20	"

2. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of the expediency of introducing this Bill.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; consideration in Committee as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report to this House upon the conduct of the City Coroner, at the Inquest upon the body of Charles Hall.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.
7. MR. MESTON to move,
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the working of the unpaid Magistracy in the Administration of Justice, especially in the remote Districts of this Colony, and the necessity of appointing Police Magistrates where required in addition.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Robertson, Rusden, Morris, Windeyer, Wilson, Markham, Flett, Daniel, Lesley, and the Mover.
8. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That the Mimi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill be referred for consideration and report of a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Allen, Cowper, junr., Dickson, Laycock, J. T. Ryan, Walsh, and the Mover.
9. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Leave of Absence, for a fortnight, be granted to A. W. Scott, Esq., the Member for The Lower Hunter, in consequence of ill health.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 ; second reading.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he is aware that all persons confined in the Braidwood Gaol are heavily ironed to prevent their effecting their escape?
2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any Contract has been entered into for the erection of a Public Gaol at Braidwood?
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5. MR. WINDEYER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 (1.) Are the Government aware of the dangerous and unprotected state of the Cliffs in the neighbourhood of the Flagstaff?
 (2.) Do the Government intend to take any steps to prevent the recurrence of accidents in that neighbourhood?
6. MR. J. T. RYAN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If the Government has fixed on the site of the Railway Station House at Penrith; if so, where?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Proposed Standing Orders; to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES *to move*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS *to move* for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 8 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Hosking's Trust Bill:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from Francis Mitchell and Francis Clarke, Trustees of a Settlement made by the late Mrs. Rosetta Terry, on her daughter Martha Foxlowe Hosking, the wife of John Hosking, and her children, and of the said John Hosking and his said wife,—praying for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Sale and Exchange of Property held in Trust for Mrs. Martha Foxlowe Hosking and her issue,—
And Mr. Windeyer having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald* and *Empire* newspapers, containing Notice for four consecutive weeks, in the months of December, 1860, and January, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
2. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from John Piper Mackenzie and George Cox, Trustees of a Settlement made in contemplation of the marriage of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen, his wife,—(formerly Helen Hawkins, spinster,) and of the said William Henry Mackenzie and Helen, his wife,—praying for leave to bring in a Bill, to confer powers to sell and grant Building Leases upon the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen, his wife,—
And Mr. Windeyer having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald* and *Empire* newspapers, containing Notice for four consecutive weeks, in the months of December, 1860, and January, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
3. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Douglas presented a Petition from certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Colony, against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
4. Proposed Land Bill:—Mr. Arnold presented the undermentioned Petitions, praying that a Land Bill may be passed with the provisions therein respectively set forth, viz.:—
 - (1.) From certain Inhabitants of the District of Wollongong, Dapto, and Charcoal.
 - (2.) From certain Inhabitants of the Districts of Broughton Creek, Fox Ground, and its vicinity.Petitions received.
5. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill:—Mr. Blake, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 18th January last.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Blake then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day week.
Question put and passed.
6. Church and School Lands Bill (*Point of Order*):—Mr. Hart reading from a Petition which he was in the act of presenting to the House, from the Archbishop Vicars-general Deans and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church in this Colony, praying to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House with reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, and that in the meantime the Bill be not further proceeded with,—

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The Speaker took exception to certain expressions, as so read by the Honorable Member, and requested that Mr. Hart would postpone the presentation of the Petition until the next sitting day, in order that he might be enabled to look fully into the Parliamentary Authorities on the point.

And a discussion arising,—

The Petition was read, at length, by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker ;—

And the passage therein excepted to being found to read thus (in allusion to the progress hitherto made by this House in the Bill):—" Your Petitioners, therefore, " earnestly deprecate the haste with which a measure of so great importance has been " hurried to its present stage"—

The Speaker repeated his objection,—with reference to the requirement of the 15th Standing Order of the Assembly, and also to the general usages of Parliament which render it necessary that the language of a Petition should be respectful and temperate and free from offensive imputations upon the character or conduct of Parliament.

Whereupon Mr. Hart withdrew the Petition.

7. Henry William Dudley :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Henry William Dudley, of the Refreshment Room, Sydney Railway Station,—representing that he sustained certain disadvantages and hardships, as therein set forth, arising out of his connection with the Railway Authorities, as the Lessee of the said Refreshment Room,—and praying relief.

Petition received.

8. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill :—On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the expediency of introducing this Bill.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That, in the opinion of this Committee, it is expedient to introduce a Bill to improve the Revenues of the City of Sydney by additional Endowment and otherwise.

Mr. Parkes then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

9. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Wilson moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

Mr. Wilson then moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for " Tuesday " next,—to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Morris moved, That the Question be amended, by the omission of the word " Tuesday, " with a view to the insertion in its place of the word " Friday."

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word " Tuesday, " proposed to be omitted, stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Arnold,
Mr. Raper,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Love,
Mr. Flett,
Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Watt,
Mr. T. Garrett, } Tellers,

Noes, 36.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Haworth,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Hay,
Mr. Hannell,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Redman,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Hoskins, } Tellers.

Question,—That the word " Friday, " proposed to be inserted in the place of the word omitted, be so inserted,—put and passed.

Whereupon, Question,—That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next, to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day,—put and passed.

10. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, 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 Mr. Lucas, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

11. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—On motion of Mr. Lucas, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for consideration as to whether it is desirable to introduce this Bill.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—
Resolved,—That, in the opinion of this Committee, it is desirable to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
Mr. Lucas then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.
12. Compensation to the Family of the late Mrs. De Courey :—On motion of Mr. Hart, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of an Address in reference thereto.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—
Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £52, in addition to the sum already placed upon the Estimates in Chief, as compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courey, to be continued for five years.
Mr. Hart then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.
13. Shoalhaven Municipality :—Mr. T. Garrett, *by consent of the House*, moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. J. Garrett, That Copies of the following Documents be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. Alexander Berry, viz. :—
(1.) Petition from certain Landed Proprietors in the District of Shoalhaven, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
(2.) Petition from James Graham, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 30th September, 1859.
(3.) Return to an Address adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 27th September, 1859, for “ all Correspondence relating to the establishment of the Municipality of Nowra; also, the description of the approved boundaries of such Municipality, accompanied by a Plan, shewing the same, and, as nearly as may be, the Boundaries specified in the Petition,”—laid upon the Table on the 25th January last.
Question put and passed.
14. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for the prevention of Scab in Sheep.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
15. Postponement :—Mr. Hart postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 3 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
16. Inquests concerning Fires Bill :—Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
17. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Morris having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, “ *A Bill for the Prevention of Scab in Sheep*,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
18. Inquests concerning Fires Bill :—Mr. Dick having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, “ *A Bill to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires*,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
19. Conduct of Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P. :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship “ *Norna*,” to bail—he being charged with the crime of murder—an unbailable offence.
(2.) That the said Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hoskins, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dick, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
Captain Moriarty required that the Committee be appointed by Ballot.
Mr. Buchanan asking leave to withdraw the motion, and several Members objecting to such withdrawal,—
Debate continued.
Question put :—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate, Mr. North, and Mr. Cooper, J.P., in allowing Captain Crawford, of the ship “ *Norna*,” to bail—he being charged with the crime of murder—an unbailable offence.
The Speaker declaring that the Noes had it,—a Division was called for ;—but, there being no Member for the Ayes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker *again* declared the Question to have passed in the *Negative*.
Whereupon, Mr. Windeyer moved, That the Proceedings be expunged.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight:—

SATURDAY, 9 FEBRUARY, 1861, A.M.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes 19.			Noes 20.		
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Eckford,	} Tellers.
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Macleay,		Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Rotton,		Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Hart,		Mr. Love,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Dickson,		Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Hay,		Mr. Markham,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Allen,		Mr. Leary,	Mr. Raper,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Morris,		Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Windeyer,		Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Dalgleish,			Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Dick,	

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at Two o'clock, A.M., until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
2. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act.
3. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That it be an instruction to the Select Committee on Seamen, appointed on the 29th January last, to consider and report upon the general condition and treatment of Seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
4. MR. GRAY to move, for a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay;—such Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.
5. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mrs. Rosetta Terry, on her daughter Martha Foxlowe Hosking and her children, to sell or exchange portions of the land comprised in the said Settlement.
6. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement executed on the marriage of William Henry Mackenzie and Miss Helen Hawkins, to sell or demise land included in the said Settlement.
7. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition of the Members of the Church of England against the Bill now before the House, for declaring the Church and School Lands, Waste Lands of the Crown, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed.
8. MR. ARNOLD to move, That the two Petitions relative to the Crown Lands Bill, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed.
9. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of Henry William Dudley, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed, and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
10. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Leary, and the Mover.
11. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report to this House upon the conduct of the City Coroner, at the Inquest upon the body of Charles Hall.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.
12. MR. NESTON to move,
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the working of the unpaid Magistracy in the Administration of Justice, especially in the remote Districts of this Colony, and the necessity of appointing Police Magistrates where required in addition.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Robertson, Rusden, Morris, Windeyer, Wilson, Markham, Flett, Daniel, Lesley, and the Mover.
13. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill be referred for consideration and report of a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Allen, Cowper, junr., Dickson, Laycock, J. T. Ryan, Walsh, and the Mover.

14. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Leave of Absence, for a fortnight, be granted to A. W. Scott, Esq., the Member for The Lower Hunter, in consequence of ill health.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Proposed Standing Orders ; to be considered in Committee.
3. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 ; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 ; second reading.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. CALDWELL to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend taking any steps to aid Captain Brown in the recovery of his kidnapped son from the Island of Ysabel, in the Solomon Group?
2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he intends to take any further steps in consequence of Captain Moriarty's Question asked him on Friday last, relative to the confines in the Braidwood Gaol being heavily ironed?
3. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Return relative to Boards of Inquiry, ordered by the Legislative Assembly on the 10th of April last, on the motion of Mr. Cape, will be laid upon the Table of the House?
4. MR. CALDWELL to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Whether the Denominational School Board has duly complied with an Order of the Legislative Assembly, made on the 16th day of October last, viz :—
“That there be laid upon the Table of this House, on the first day of the next Session of Parliament, a Tabulated Nominal Return of all the properties now held by Trustees “or other persons for the use of Denominational Schools,”—and if no such Return has yet been received from the Denominational School Board—whether any reason has been assigned by the said Board for its non-compliance with the above-mentioned Order of the Legislative Assembly?
(2.) Whether the Denominational School Board has duly complied with an Order made by the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th of April, 1860, viz :—
“That there be laid upon the Table of this House, as speedily as possible,” certain particulars (detailed in the said Order)—and if no such particulars have yet been furnished by the Denominational School Board—whether the said Board has assigned any satisfactory reason for its non-compliance with the last-mentioned Order of the Legislative Assembly?
(3.) Whether the Denominational School Board has fully complied with an Order made by the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th day of November, 1858, viz :—
“That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return from all Schools in New South Wales, wholly or partly maintained by the public funds”—and if the arrears of Returns in obedience to the said Order due from the Denominational School Board have not yet been furnished—whether any satisfactory reason has been assigned by the said Board for its non-compliance with the last-mentioned Order of the Legislative Assembly?

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

Contingent Notices of Motion :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows :—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

300	350	7	8
350	400	8	9
400	450	9	10
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600	650	13	14
650	700	14	15
700	750	15	16
750	800	16	17
800	850	17	18
850	900	18	19
900	1,000	19	20
1,000 and over		20	

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
4. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
5. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
6. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill:—Mr. Dick presented a Petition from the Right Reverend William Tyrrell, Doctor in Divinity, Lord Bishop of Newcastle, praying for leave to bring in a Bill to enable him as surviving Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland to sell the said Land and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale,—
And Mr. Dick having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and *Maitland Mercury*, newspapers, containing notice, for four consecutive weeks in the month of January last, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
2. Burrangong Gold Fields:—Mr. Robertson presented a Petition from a very large number of Miners and others resident on the Burrangong Gold Fields, complaining of the recent arrival there of several thousand Chinese, and praying that such a measure may be passed by this House as shall relieve them of all Chinamen who have occupied or intend to occupy those Gold Fields.
Petition received.
3. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from the Archbishop, Vicars General, Deans, and other Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church now assembled in Sydney, praying that the said Bill may not be passed, and that the Petitioners may be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House in support of their alleged vested interests and in opposition to the Bill.
Petition received.
4. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—The Speaker, pursuant to the requirement of the Electoral Act of 1858, laid upon the Table his Warrant, appointing John Bowie Wilson, Esquire, to be a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, of which the following is a copy:—
“ LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
“ *By the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly*
“ *of New South Wales.*
“ Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in me, as Speaker of the Legislative
“ Assembly of New South Wales, by the Electoral Act of 1858, I do hereby appoint
“ John Bowie Wilson, Esquire,
“ being a Member of the said Assembly, to be a Member of the Committee of Elec-
“ tions and Qualifications in the said Act referred to, during the present Session of
“ the Assembly aforesaid.
“ Given under my Hand, at the Legislative Assembly Chamber,
“ Macquarie-street, Sydney, this twelfth day of February, in the
“ year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.
“ T. A. MURRAY,
“ *Speaker.*”
5. Postponement:—Mr. Macleay postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
6. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

7. Seamen :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an instruction to the Select Committee on Seamen, appointed on the 29th January last, to consider and report upon the general condition and treatment of Seamen in the Colony of New South Wales.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
8. Postponement :—Mr. Wilson postponed the notice standing in the name of Mr. Gray, No. 4 on the Notice Paper, until a later period of the day.
9. Hosking's Trust Bill :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mrs. Rosetta Terry, on her daughter Martha Foxlowe Hosking and her children, to sell or exchange portions of the land comprised in the said Settlement.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed ; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
10. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Lucas having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to Amend the Municipalities Act*," read a first time ; *Ordered* to be printed and read a second time on Friday week.
11. Hosking's Trust Bill :—Mr. Windeyer having *presented* this Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to authorize the sale and exchange of the Property held in Trust for Mrs. Martha Foxlowe Hosking and her issue*," read a first time.
12. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees of a Settlement executed on the marriage of William Henry Mackenzie and Miss Helen Hawkins, to sell or demise land included in the said Settlement.
Question put and passed ; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
13. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Members of the Church of England against the Bill now before the House, for declaring the Church and School Lands, Waste Lands of the Crown, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
14. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill :—Mr. Windeyer having *presented* this Bill, and produced a certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to confer powers to sell and grant building leases upon the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen his wife*," read a first time.
15. Proposed Land Bill :—Mr. Arnold moved, pursuant to notice, That the two Petitions relative to the Crown Lands Bill, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
16. Henry William Dudley :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Henry William Dudley, presented by him on the 8th February, be printed, and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed and referred accordingly.
17. Working of the Insolvent Law :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the working of the present Insolvent Law in New South Wales.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Smart, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Love, Mr. Dick, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Walsh, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
18. Postponement :—Mr. Driver postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
19. Unpaid Magistracy :—Mr. Meston moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That "a Select Committee be appointed" to inquire into the working of the unpaid Magistracy in the Administration of Justice, especially in the remote Districts of this Colony, and the necessity of appointing Police Magistrates where required in addition.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Robertson, Rusden, Morris, Windeyer, Wilson, Markham, Flett, Daniel, Lesley, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Rusden moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "a Select Committee be appointed," in section (1), with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "it is the duty of the Government immediately" ; and by the omission of the entire section (2).

Debate continued.

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

Whereupon Original Question put and passed.

20. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
 (1.) That the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill be referred for consideration and report of a Select Committee.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Allen, Cowper, junr., Dickson, Laycock, J. T. Ryan, Walsh, and the Mover.
 Question put and passed.
21. Leave of Absence :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, that Leave of Absence for a fortnight be granted to A. W. Scott, Esq., the Member for the Lower Hunter, in consequence of ill-health.
 Question put and passed.
22. Light House near Jervis Bay :—Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to notice,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Egan, Captain Moriarty, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dalgleish, and the Mover.
 Question put and passed.
23. Postponement :—The second reading of the Impounding Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Rusden, on behalf of Mr. Watt, until this day week.
24. Proposed Standing Orders :—On motion of Mr. Piddington, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Proposed Standing Orders.
 The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Proposed Standing Orders without Amendment,—
 Mr. Piddington moved, That the Standing Orders, reported as so agreed to in Committee of the Whole, be now adopted as the Standing Orders of this House.
 Question put and passed.
 Whereupon, Mr. Piddington moved, That the Standing Orders adopted by this House be, by the Speaker, presented for approval to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government.
 Question put and passed.
25. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Morris, read a second time.
 Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Morris, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Thursday next.
26. Postponements :—
 (1.) Mr. Robertson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
 (2.) The consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.
27. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 at a later hour of the day.
28. Member Sworn :—William Henry Suttor, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of East Macquarie.
29. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight :—

WEDNESDAY, 13 FEBRUARY, 1861. A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour to-day.
 The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-five minutes after Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock P.M. this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply*.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

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1,000 and over		20	

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply*.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.
3. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861*.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That leave of absence, for one week, be granted to Captain Moriarty, the Member for Braidwood, in consequence of ill health.
3. MR. COWPER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
5. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861; second reading.
6. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HART to move, That it be an instruction to the Committee for the consideration of the Church and School Lands Bill to hear Counsel on behalf of the Archbishop and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church, whose Petition was received on the 12th instant, if the said Petitioners shall think fit to be heard by Counsel.

Questions:—

1. MR. PARKES to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) What are the intentions of the Government respecting the branch Line of Railway to Pymont and the Darling Harbour Terminus?
 (2.) Whether any steps have been taken for the completion of the work?
 (3.) And, if no such steps are being taken, what other course will be adopted in the matter?
2. MR. C. COWPER, junior, to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government have taken, or, if not, whether they intend to take any steps to secure temporary Buildings for a Telegraph Office in Tumut, until the new Office is erected?

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ARNOLD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to construct a Tramway from the Railway Terminus at Redfern to the Semi-Circular Quay in Sydney Cove.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861; third reading.

Question:—

1. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether any, and what, steps have been taken by the Government with respect to the continuation and opening of the road from Mount Dee to the Town of West Maitland?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
4. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
5. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
6. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
2. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That a List be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing,—
 - (1.) The number of Surveyors employed in the Southern Districts in the measurement of Crown Lands for sale by auction.
 - (2.) The name of each Surveyor, and the extent of District entrusted to him; the number of acres applied for in each District, and the number surveyed and reported to the Surveyor General.
 - (3.) The number of acres yet unmeasured; and, if any, the reason why they have not been measured and offered for sale.
3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale.
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6. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report on, the present state and management of the Sydney Domain; more particularly as to the recent fencing off of a portion of the ground by a permanent fence.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 13 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Report from the Medical Adviser to the Government, on Vaccination, for the year 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from the Right Reverend Frederic Barker, D.D., Bishop of Sydney, praying that he may be heard by Counsel against the Church and School Lands Bill, and that the House will not pass this Bill.
Petition received.
3. Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Returns of Bank Liabilities and Assets, for the Quarter ended 31 December, 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—The Speaker informed the House that he had, on the 7th instant, received a letter from John Garrett, Esquire, resigning his appointment as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, and that he had, on the 8th instant, laid upon the Table his Warrant appointing Thomas Garrett, Esquire, to fill the vacancy so created. Also, that he had, yesterday, received a letter from Alexander Walker Scott, Esquire, resigning his appointment as a Member of the same Committee, and had laid upon the Table his Warrant on the same day, appointing John Bowie Wilson, Esquire, to fill that vacancy.
5. Duties on Tea and Sugar:—Mr. Arnold presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of Broughton Creek, Fox Ground, Geringoug, Kiama, Dapto, Shellharbour, and Wollongong, praying that the Duties on Tea and Sugar may be repealed.
Petition received.
6. Postponement:—Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until this day week.
7. Leave of Absence:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence, for one week, be granted to Captain Moriarty, the Member for Braidwood, in consequence of ill health.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
8. Use of the Great Seal of the Colony:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.Debate ensued.
Mr. Hay moved, That this Debate be now adjourned till this day fortnight.
Question, for the adjournment of the Debate until this day fortnight, put and passed.
9. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Walsh presented a Petition from Henry Burton Bradley, of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, Solicitor, against the passing of the said Bill, so far as it may affect certain private interests therein set forth, and praying to be heard by himself, his Counsel, or Agent, against the said Bill.
Petition received.
Mr. Walsh then moved, That this Petition be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on the said Bill.
Question put and passed.

10. Postponements:—

- (1.) The Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
- (2.) The Resumption of the Committee of Supply postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until this day week.
- (3.) The consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
- (4.) The further consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until the Order of the Day for the Second Reading of the New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 shall have been disposed of.

11. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time ;—

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

12. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight ;—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour to-day.

13. Messages :—The Speaker reported that, during the early part of the Debate on the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861, the following Messages were received from the Legislative Council :—

(1.) Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council, having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to authorize the Appointment of a Commissioner to Issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th February, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a first time ; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.

(2.) Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

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Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.

14. Adjournment :—Mr. Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn until "Three" o'clock, p.m., this day.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Gray moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Three," with a view to the insertion in its place of the word "Seven."

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Shepherd,	} Tellers.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Arnold,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Lucas,	

Noes, 18.

Mr. Walker,	Mr. Lackey,	} Tellers.
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. C. Cowper, junr.	
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Wilson,	
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Original Question then put.

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Ayes, 28.

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Noes, 7.

Mr. J. T. Ryan,	} Tellers.
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Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned at five minutes before Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ARNOLD to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to construct a Tramway from the Railway Terminus at Redfern to the Semi-Circular Quay in Sydney Cove.
2. MR. COWPER to move, That the Petition of the Right Reverend Frederic Barker, D. D., Bishop of Sydney, in reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, presented by him on the 13th February, be printed.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
3. New South Wales Census Bill for 1861 ; third reading.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HART to move, That it be an instruction to the Committee for the consideration of the Church and School Lands Bill to hear Counsel on behalf of the Archbishop and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church, whose Petition was received on the 12th instant, if the said Petitioners shall think fit to be heard by Counsel.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 ; third reading.

Questions :—

1. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether any, and what, steps have been taken by the Government with respect to the continuation and opening of the road from Mount Dee to the Town of West Maitland ?
2. MR. MACLEAY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When the Government intends to open the Telegraph Line to Wagga Wagga ?
3. MR. RUSDEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What amount has been recently expended in repairing the Police Paddock Fences at Wee Waa, seeing that this land has been laid out in allotments for sale ?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; second reading.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill ; second reading.
4. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill ; second reading.
5. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill ; third reading.
6. Inquests concerning Fires Bill ; second reading.

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1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
2. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That a List be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing,—
 - (1.) The number of Surveyors employed in the Southern Districts in the measurement of Crown Lands for sale by auction.
 - (2.) The name of each Surveyor, and the extent of District entrusted to him; the number of acres applied for in each District, and the number surveyed and reported to the Surveyor General.
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(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.

10. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to a complaint against the Harbour Master of the Port of Sydney, for converting Government property, also the services of the Government employes in his department to his own private use; also, a copy of all proceedings taken by the Pilot Board on that subject, and any Minute of the Executive Council thereon.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

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350	400	8	”
400	450	9	”
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800	850	17	”
850	900	18	”
900	1,000	19	”
1,000 and over		20	”

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; second reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 14 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Arnold moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to construct a Tramway from the Railway Terminus at Redfern to the Semi-Circular Quay in Sydney Cove.
Question put and passed; *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
2. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notices standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, as follows :—
(1.) That the Petition of the Right Reverend Frederic Barker, D.D., Bishop of Sydney, in reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, presented by him on the 13th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) (*Counsel*) That it be an instruction to the Committee for the consideration of the Church and School Lands Bill, to hear Counsel on behalf of the Right Reverend Frederic Barker, D.D., Bishop of Sydney, whose Petition was received on the 13th instant, if the said Petitioner shall think fit to be heard by Counsel.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

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4. Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Address, in reference to Reprieve of "Swan," adopted, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, on 16th January last.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Postponements :—
(1.) The resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Weekes, until this day week.
(2.) The consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.
6. New South Wales Census Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Robertson, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Robertson then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for taking the Census in 1861.*"
Question put and passed.

Whereupon

Whereupon, Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act for taking the Census in 1861*," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14 February, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 on Wednesday next.
8. Member of Committee of Elections and Qualifications Sworn :—Thomas Garrett, Esquire, sworn at the Table by the Clerk, as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
9. Postponement :—The consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until Wednesday next.
10. Church and School Lands Bill (*Counsel*) :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an instruction to the Committee for the consideration of the Church and School Lands Bill to hear Counsel on behalf of the Archbishop and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church, whose Petition was received on the 12th instant, if the said Petitioners shall think fit to be heard by Counsel.
Question put and passed.
11. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Morris, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Morris then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for the prevention of Scab in Sheep*."
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Morris moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for the prevention of Scab in Sheep*," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14 February, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight ;—

FRIDAY, 15 FEBRUARY, 1861. A.M.

12. Adjournment :—Mr. Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn until "Three" o'clock P.M., this day.
Mr. Gray moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Three," with a view to the insertion in its place of the word "Seven."
Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Parkes,	
Ms. Wisdom,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Morrice,	

Noes, 11.

Mr. Shepherd,	} Tellers.
Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Peisley,	
Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Morris,	

Original Question then put and passed ;—

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at ten minutes after Twelve o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church and School Lands Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; second reading.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill ; second reading.
4. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill ; second reading.
5. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill ; third reading.
6. Inquests concerning Fires Bill ; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
2. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That a List be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing,—
 - (1.) The number of Surveyors employed in the Southern Districts in the measurement of Crown Lands for sale by auction.
 - (2.) The name of each Surveyor, and the extent of District entrusted to him ; the number of acres applied for in each District, and the number surveyed and reported to the Surveyor General.
 - (3.) The number of acres yet unmeasured ; and, if any, the reason why they have not been measured and offered for sale.
3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £400, for the repair of the road between the Hinton Punt and the Town of Morpeth.
5. MR. WINDEYER to move,—
 - (1.) That the Hosking's Trust Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover.
6. MR. WINDEYER to move,—
 - (1.) That the Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. MESTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What steps, if any, had been taken to arrange and determine the boundaries between New South Wales and Queensland—more particularly the line running between the 147th and the 141st of longitude, and under the 29th parallel of latitude?
2. MR. WINDEYER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Do the Government intend to take any steps to ascertain the right of Mr. James to retain possession of the Registration documents which he now holds?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.

4. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to improve the Revenues of the Municipal Council of Sydney.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
6. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report on, the present state and management of the Sydney Domain; more particularly as to the recent fencing off of a portion of the ground by a permanent fence.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Parkes, Lackey, Wisdom, Wilson, Windeyer, Shepherd, Egan, Sutherland, Dick, and the Mover.
7. MR. HART to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th February, from the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Clergy of New South Wales, in reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, be printed.
8. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
9. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report to this House upon the conduct of the City Coroner, at the Inquest upon the body of Charles Hall.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.
10. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to a complaint against the Harbour Master of the Port of Sydney, for converting Government property, also the services of the Government employees in his department to his own private use; also, a copy of all proceedings taken by the Pilot Board on that subject, and any Minute of the Executive Council thereon.
11. MR. HAY to move,—
 - (1.) That the Bill to incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Bridge Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at Wahgunyah, be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lucas, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Mate, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Watt, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover.
12. MR. LUCAS to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.			
300	350	7	”
350	400	8	”
400	450	9	”
450	500	10	”
500	550	11	”
550	600	12	”
600	650	13	”
650	700	14	”
700	750	15	”
750	800	16	”
800	850	17	”
850	900	18	”
900	1,000	19	”
1,000 and over		20	”

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
3. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill ; second reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill ; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



No. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 15 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. There being only sixteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Leary, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Morrice, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Wisdom,—the Speaker took the Chair, and adjourned the House, at half-past Three o'clock, until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Assembly, on the University of Sydney, be adopted by this House.
2. MR. DICK to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.
4. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to improve the Revenues of the Municipal Council of Sydney.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
6. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report on, the present state and management of the Sydney Domain; more particularly as to the recent fencing off of a portion of the ground by a permanent fence.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Parkes, Lackey, Wisdom, Wilson, Windeyer, Shepherd, Egan, Sutherland, Dick, and the Mover.
7. MR. HART to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th February, from the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Clergy of New South Wales, in reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, be printed.

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 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Leary, Mr. Hay, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cunneen, and the Mover.
10. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to a complaint against the Harbour Master of the Port of Sydney, for converting Government property, also the services of the Government employees in his department to his own private use; also, a copy of all proceedings taken by the Pilot Board on that subject, and any Minute of the Executive Council thereon.
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 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lucas, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Mate, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Watt, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover.
12. MR. LUCAS to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
13. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
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 (1.) The number of Surveyors employed in the Southern Districts in the measurement of Crown Lands for sale by auction.
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 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover.
18. MR. WINDEYER to move,—
 (1.) That the Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
4. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
5. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
6. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
7. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

Questions:—

1. MR. MESTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What steps, if any, had been taken to arrange and determine the boundaries between New South Wales and Queensland—more particularly the line running between the 147th and the 141st of longitude, and under the 29th parallel of latitude?
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

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800	850	17
850	900	18
900	1,000	19
1,000 and over		20

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(*upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

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- Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
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- Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

- Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

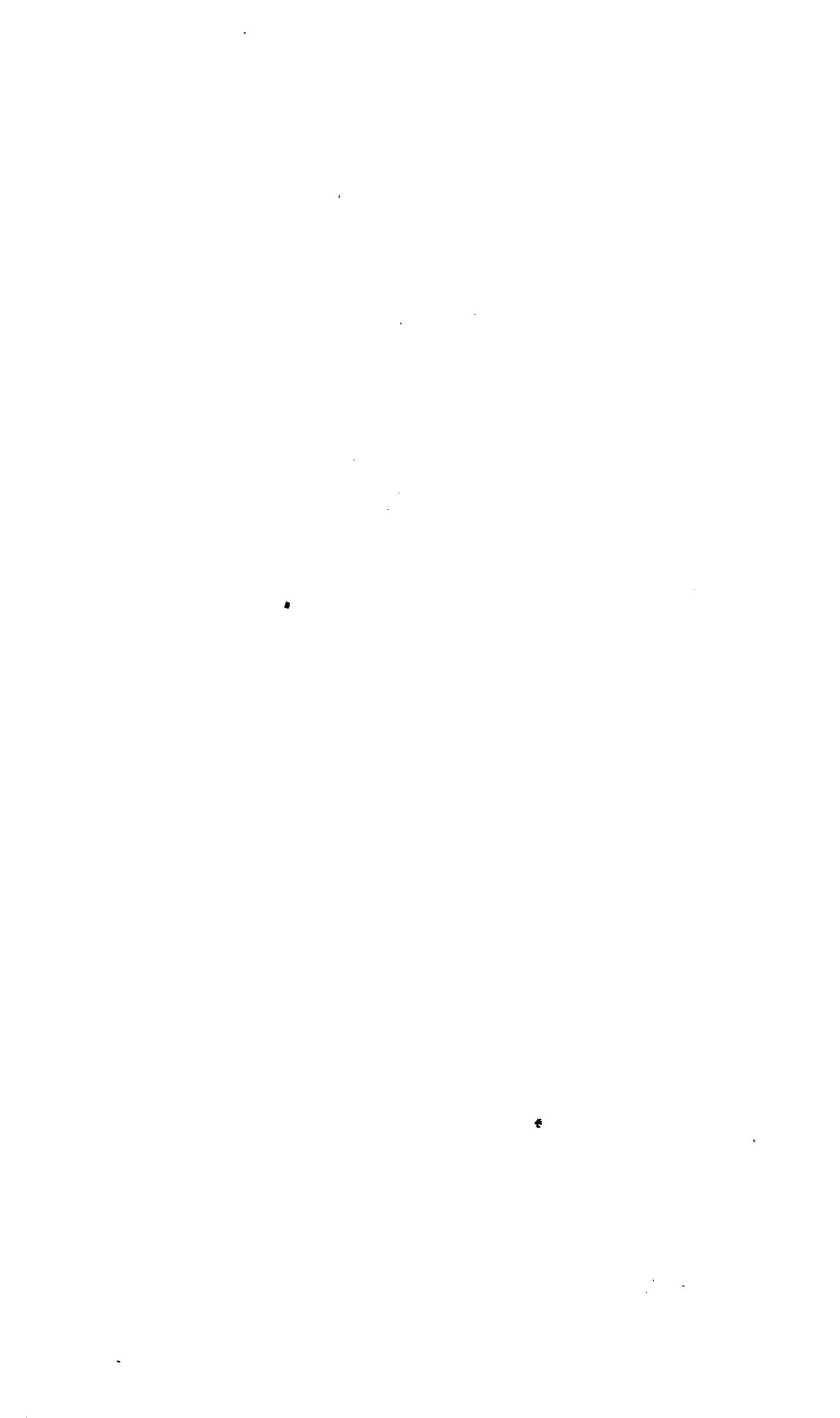
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- Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; second reading.
- Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

- Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Standing Rules and Orders:—The Speaker reported, that he had this day presented to the Administrator of the Government the Standing Rules and Orders adopted by this House on the 12th instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to approve of the same.
2. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Correspondence (1831–1849) relative to the late Church and School Corporation.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Windeyer withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill:—Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain Laud situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale.
Question put and passed;—*Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
5. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
6. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill:—
 - (1.) Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to improve the Revenues of the Municipal Council of Sydney.
Question put and passed;—*Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 - (2.) Mr. Parkes having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, “*A Bill to improve the Revenues of the City of Sydney by additional Endowment and otherwise,*” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.
7. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Cowper presented a Petition from the Members of the Denominational School Board in New South Wales, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, the House will not pass this Bill.
Petition received.
8. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
9. State and Management of the Sydney Domain:—Mr. Daniel moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report on, the present state and management of the Sydney Domain; more particularly as to the recent fencing off of a portion of the ground by a permanent fence.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Parkes, Lackey, Dalgleish, Wilson, Windeyer, Shepherd, Egan, Sutherland, Dick, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
And Mr. Robertson requiring that the said Committee be appointed by Ballot,—
Question (1.)—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report on, the present state and management of the Sydney Domain; more particularly as to the recent fencing off of a portion of the ground by a permanent fence,—put and passed.
Whereupon the House proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the Mover, the Committee duly appointed:—Mr. Dick, Mr. Hay, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Egan, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Driver.

10. Paper :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Letter from Edward Hamilton, Esq., to the Colonial Secretary, (dated London, 26 December, 1860,) communicating information respecting the International Exhibition, contemplated to be held in London in 1862. Ordered to be printed.
11. Thomas Harrison :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Thomas Harrison, late Principal Turnkey at Her Majesty's Gaol at Darlinghurst, complaining of his dismissal from office, under the circumstances therein set forth,—and praying relief. Petition received.
12. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill :—Mr. Dick having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of twenty-five pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said Land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale,*"—read a first time.
13. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th February, from the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Clergy of New South Wales, in reference to the Church and School Lands Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
14. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Macleay not making the motion standing in his name, No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
15. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Driver withdrew the motion standing in his name, No 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
16. Harbour Master, Sydney :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to a complaint against the Harbour Master of the Port of Sydney, for converting Government property, also the services of the Government employes in his department to his own private use; also, a copy of all proceedings taken by the Pilot Board on that subject, and any Minute of the Executive Council thereon. Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
17. Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company's Bill :—Mr. Hay moved pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Bill to incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at Wahgunyah, be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lucas, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Mate, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Watt, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
18. Postponements :—
(1.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Lucas, No. 12 on the Notice Paper of to-day, until Friday next.
(2.) Mr. Cummings postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 13 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
19. Survey of Land for Sale in the Southern Districts :—Mr. O'Brien moved, pursuant to notice, That a List be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing,—
(1.) The number of Surveyors employed in the Southern Districts in the measurement of Crown Lands for sale by auction.
(2.) The name of each Surveyor, and the extent of District entrusted to him; the number of acres applied for in each District, and the number surveyed and reported to the Surveyor General.
(3.) The number of acres yet unmeasured; and, if any, the reason why they have not been measured and offered for sale.
Question put and passed.
20. Motion dropped :—Mr. Lucas not making the motion standing in his name, No. 15 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
21. Postponement :—Mr. Buchanan postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 16 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
22. Hosking's Trust Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, and on his behalf,—
(1.) That the Hosking's Trust Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and Mr. Windeyer.
Question put and passed.
23. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, and on his behalf,—
(1.) That the Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill be referred to a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Dick, Mr. Driver, Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Piddington, and Mr. Windeyer.
Question put and passed.
24. Postponement :—The Second Reading of the Impounding Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Watt, until Friday next.

25. Church and School Lands Bill:—On motion of Mr. Wilson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
- The Chairman reported progress, and also that, pursuant to instructions, the Committee had heard Counsel on behalf of the Right Reverend Frederick Barker, D.D., Bishop of Sydney, and on behalf of the Archbishop and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church, in opposition to this Bill—and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.
- The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at twenty minutes before Twelve o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Contingent Notices of Motion:—

1. MR. LUCAS to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to reduce the amounts proposed in the Estimates, which are to be submitted to them, as follows:—

Salaries of £250 and under £300 at least 6 per cent.

300	350	7	”
350	400	8	”
400	450	9	”
450	500	10	”
500	550	11	”
550	600	12	”
600	650	13	”
650	700	14	”
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850	900	18	”
900	1,000	19	”
1,000 and over		20	”

2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—(upon the Order of the Day being read for the House going into Committee of Supply,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.
3. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move, That the Petition relative to the Church and School Lands Bill, presented by him on the 19th February, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
- Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; second reading.
- Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
- Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
- Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of Thomas Harrison, presented by him on the 19th February, be printed and referred to the Committee now sitting to inquire into the state of the Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
- Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
- Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
- Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
- Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

Questions:—

Questions :—

1. MR. WISDOM to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When will the Electric Telegraph Station at Sofala be open for public use?
2. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is within the knowledge of the Government, that the Lessee of the Toll-bar near Campbell's Hill, West Maitland, has, in consequence of the Dwelling-house which was attached thereto having been pulled down under the directions of an official in the Department for Lands and Works, and no house having been erected in its stead at or near the new site recently chosen for the bar, declined since the 1st instant to collect toll, and that no toll is now being collected at that place.
3. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS:—
 - (1.) Whether the Government are aware, that in consequence of the new cutting made by the Railway authorities at the mouth of Wallis Creek being much wider and deeper than the old one which was stopped for a railway crossing, Louth Park, Dagworth, Bloomfield's Swamps, and other lands adjacent to that creek are inundated on the occasion of every fresh which takes place in the River Hunter, and much property is damaged or destroyed?
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any, and if any, what steps to prevent the repetition of the losses thus occasioned?
4. MR. HANNELL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Why the Endowment due to the Municipal Council of Newcastle, to 31 December, 1860, has not been paid?

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill ; second reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
5. Church and School Lands Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MESTON to move,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 - (1.) Returns made by the Clerks of Petty Sessions of the several times, if at all, that the unpaid Magistracy attended at their respective benches during the year 1860.
 - (2.) A List of such places as have had Petitions forwarded to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, praying for Police Magistrates during the year 1860.
2. MR. FLETT to move, That the Petition of James Ralfe, Licensed Surveyor of Port Macquarie, which was presented to this House about the 5th November, 1856, and ordered to be printed—afterwards referred, on the motion of Captain James Williamson, to the Committee of Enquiry into the Surveyor-General's Department—be now referred to the Grievances Committee.
3. MR. BLAKE to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between the Local and Imperial Governments, together with all Papers in the Offices of the several Departments of Government, with reference to the claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft.
4. MR. DICK to move,—
 - (1.) That the Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale, be referred to a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Blake, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Markham, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Hart, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Terry, and the Mover.
5. MR. LUCAS to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
6. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
7. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £400, for the repair of the road between the Hinton Punt and the Town of Morpeth.

Question :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—To explain how the Police Magistrate of Deniliquin inflicted a punishment of one year's imprisonment, with hard labor, upon two men, upon the evidence of two Aborigines, for camping with the Blacks?

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expences claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
4. MR. RUSDEN to move,—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that he will cause to be granted to the inhabitants of Muswellbrook a portion of ground, for a common, and to obtain firewood—the land originally reserved, and to retain which they sent in a Memorial to the Secretary of Lands, having been sold.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

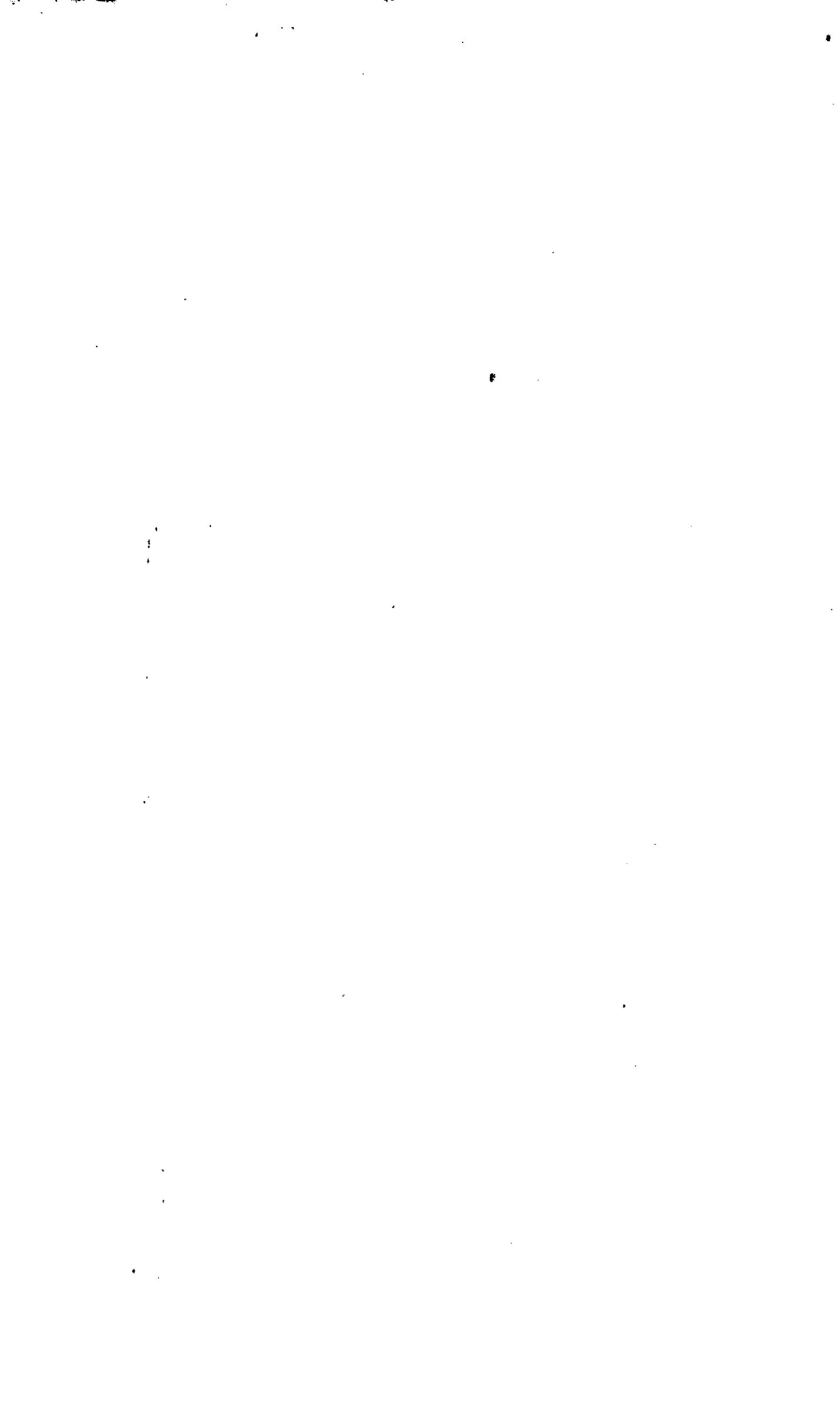
1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Member of Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—John Bowie Wilson, Esq., sworn at the Table, by the Clerk, as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, pursuant to the requirement of the 70th Section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
2. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861:—Mr. Arnold presented a Petition from a large number of "Proprietors of Property," Householders and others, residing in Pitt-street and adjoining streets, Sydney, praying that the House will pass this Bill.
Petition received.
3. City of Newcastle:—Mr. Hannell presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of Newcastle, signed by the Mayor, and bearing the Seal of the Council, representing the existence of certain obstructions, as therein particularized, to the permanent improvement of the City of Newcastle, and praying relief.
Petition received.
4. Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Return to Address, in reference to the case of Smith v. Crook, adopted, on motion of Mr. Dalgleish, on the 30th ultimo.
5. Postponement:—Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until this day week.
6. Church and School Lands Bill:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition relative to the Church and School Lands Bill, presented by him on the 19th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Supply:—On the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee,—
(1.) Mr. Lucas withdrew the *Contingent* motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
(2.) Mr. Moriarty then moved, pursuant to *Contingent* notice, That it be an instruction to the Committee that no new matter be entered into after Eleven p.m.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Piddington,	} Tellers.
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Dickson,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Walsh,		
Mr. Morrice,		
Mr. Love,		
Mr. Markham,		
Mr. Flett,		
Mr. McArthur,		
Mr. Peasley,		
Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Lewis,		
Mr. Shepherd,		

Noes, 29.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. Wisdom,	junr.,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Blake,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Morris,	

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after midnight :—

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY, 1861, A. M.

The Chairman obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day, and reported the following Resolution :—

(3.) Resolved,—that there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £3,000, to make provision for adequate representation of the Colony of New South Wales at the Exhibition of the Industry of all Nations, to be held in London during the ensuing year.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

8. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill :—The Speaker reported, that, shortly after the House had gone into Committee of Supply, the following Message was received from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to amend the Law with respect to Verdicts and Judgments in the Supreme Court,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 20 February, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

9. Postponements :—The remaining Orders of the Day on the Paper of Government Business postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.
10. Public Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Thomas Harrison, presented by him on the 19th February, be printed and referred to the Committee now sitting to inquire into the state of the Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland.
- Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at ten minutes after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. Mr. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. ARNOLD to move, That the Petition in reference to the Pitt-street Tramway Bill, presented by him on the 20th February, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. HANNELL to move, That the Petition from the Municipal Council of Newcastle, presented to this House on the 20th February, be printed and referred to the Select Committee on Grievances.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
4. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
5. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

Questions :—

Questions :—

1. MR. WATT to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—When the Returns moved for by him, with reference to the appointment of an additional Sea Pilot for Port Jackson, will be laid on the Table of this House?
2. MR. WALSH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) What was the amount of costs taxed for the Crown in the Queen v. Hardy, a proceeding by writ of intrusion, trial at Goulburn in 1859?
 - (2.) What sum was paid to the Bailiff for taking possession of the lands included in the Writ?
3. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS, Whether any, and what, steps have been taken by the Government with respect to the continuation and opening of the Road from Mount Dee to the Town of West Maitland?

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; second reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
5. Church and School Lands Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MESTON to move,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 - (1.) Returns made by the Clerks of Petty Sessions of the several times, if at all, that the unpaid Magistracy attended at their respective benches during the year 1860.
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 - (1.) That the Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale, be referred to a Select Committee.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Blake, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Markham, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Hart, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Terry, and the Mover.
5. MR. LUCAS to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
6. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railway Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
7. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £400, for the repair of the road between the Hinton Punt and the Town of Morpeth.
8. MR. WATT to move, That the following Returns be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A Return, shewing what sums have been placed to the credit of the present Police Magistrate of Carcoar, on account of the various Road Trusts of the district, from his appointment to office to 31st December, 1860.
 - (2.) A Return, shewing how and on what parts of these Roads (stating the distance from Carcoar, East and West) these moneys have been expended, with the usual vouchers in support of each payment.
 - (3.) A Return, setting forth the names of the various persons who have acted on the several Road Committees of the District from the accession of the present Police Magistrate to office, to 31st December, 1860, shewing distinctly the periods during which they have co-operated in the management of the road affairs, and whether he has at any time, contrary to his Government instructions, taken upon himself to expend the Road Moneys without the aid of such Committees.
 - (4.) A Return, accompanied by attested vouchers, shewing the cost of a horse and cart, and various supplies purchased by the present Police Magistrate of Carcoar, on account of the Road Funds of the District, stating by whose authority or direction these purchases were made, and whether these supplies were forwarded to Carcoar by the Government horse and cart, as goods on his own private account.

9. MR. O'BRIEN to move, That a List be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing,—
- (1.) The Number of Acres contained in the Church Lands.
 - (2.) The Number of Acres Leased.
 - (3.) The Names of Leaseholders.
 - (4.) The Amount of Rent paid by each.
 - (5.) The Sum total received by the various Churches as Rents for these Lands, or by the Crown, as may be.

Question :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—To explain how the Police Magistrate of Deniliquin inflicted a punishment of one year's imprisonment, with hard labor, upon two men, upon the evidence of two Aborigines, for camping with the Blacks?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valutors employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
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5. MR. T. GARRETT to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Amendments or Alterations of and in the "Municipalities Act, 1858," sent in by the several Municipal Councils of this Colony, in reply to a Circular from the Attorney General.
6. MR. T. GARRETT to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Moneys placed at the disposal of the Shoalhaven Bench of Magistrates for the Repair and Maintenance of Roads in that District during the years 1859 and 1860, also, shewing how and where such Moneys have been expended, and the amount of the balance of each grant, if any, now in hand.
7. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of Mr. Francis O'Meara, presented to the Legislative Assembly, and ordered to be printed, 31st March, 1858, be referred to the Committee on Grievances for their consideration and report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill; second reading.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What will be the total amount of the cost of re-constructing the Liverpool and Campbelltown line of Railway, owing to the works having been destroyed by the late floods?
 - (2.) Will the above line, as re-constructed, in all parts, be above late flood levels?
 - (3.) If the Government intend diverting the line of Railway for some distance beyond Campbelltown Station, so as to place it above late flood levels?
 - (4.) Out of what specific vote or votes is the expense of all these re-constructions to be defrayed?

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table Further Correspondence respecting Steam Postal Service.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Restoration of Document produced before a Select Committee:—Mr. Hannell, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without notice, That the Clerk have leave to restore to Mr. David Morris his original Lease, which was produced before the Select Committee on the Claims of Mr. David Morris and others, during the Session of 1859-60, of the late Parliament, and is now in the possession of this House.
Question put and passed.
3. New Invention in Locomotion:—Mr. Wilson presented a Petition from Edward Bell, of Sydney, Civil Engineer, Member of the Institute of Civil Engineers, representing that he is the Inventor of certain improvements in Railways and in Locomotives, which, if put into operation in this Colony, will, he believes, be the means of saving very large sums of public money; and praying that this House will, before coming to any decision on the subject either of Railway Extension on the present system, or of Tramways, satisfy itself of the practicability and economy of the System of Locomotion projected by him.
Petition received.
4. Pitt-street Tramway Bill:—Mr. Arnold moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition in reference to the Pitt-street Tramway Bill, presented by him on the 20th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Postponement:—The Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until this day week.
6. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour to-day.
7. Assent to Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,
Administrator of the Government.

Message No. 4.

A Bill intituled "*An Act for taking the Census in 1861,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 21st February, 1861.*

8. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee of Supply resumed.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after midnight:—

FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

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NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; second reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
5. Church and School Lands Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
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3. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
5. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Question :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—To explain how the Police Magistrate of Deniliquin inflicted a punishment of one year's imprisonment, with hard labor, upon two men, upon the evidence of two Aborigines, for camping with the Blacks ?

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.
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3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
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1. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill ; second reading.

Question :—

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 - (4.) Out of what specific vote or votes is the expense of all these re-constructions to be defrayed?

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

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1. MR. WEEKES *to move*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

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 - (1.) If it is a fact, as stated by the Secretary for Public Works, in Committee of Supply, that there is no probability of the Railway Extensions being finished within the Contract time? If so, why not?
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—Mr. Piddington presented a Petition from Samuel Hebblewhite, President of the Randwick and Coogee Roads Trust, praying that this House will either exempt the said Trust from the operation of the Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861, now under the consideration of the House, or refuse to pass the said Bill altogether.
Petition received.
2. Reimbursement to Library Funds:—Mr. O'Brien, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up a Report from the Library Committee, in reference to Reimbursement to Library Funds,—which was read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker, as follows:—

“ The Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 15th January
“ last, have agreed to the following Report:—
“ Your Committee beg to report to your Honorable House, that, having had
“ under consideration the reduction to which the Annual Votes for the Purchase of
“ Books for the Library have been subjected by the Expenses incurred in the Col-
“ lation, Binding, and Shipment of Parliamentary Reports and Papers presented to
“ the Library by the Speaker of the House of Commons, and the expediency of re-
“ questing the Government to place on the Estimates a sum of money sufficient to
“ reimburse to the Library the amount so expended, your Committee deemed it ex-
“ pedient to request a Conference with the Library Committee of the Legislative
“ Council on the subject.
“ This request having been acceded to, a Conference was accordingly held in
“ the Committee Room, No. 2, of the Legislative Council, on the 21st instant, the
“ result of which was, that the following Resolution was agreed to by the Library
“ Committees of the respective Houses:—
“ That the Government be requested to place on the Estimates the sum of five
“ hundred and seven pounds, to reimburse to the Library the amount of
“ the Reductions to which the Annual Votes for the Purchase of Books
“ have been subjected by the Expenses incurred in the Collation, Binding,
“ and Shipment of Parliamentary Reports and Papers presented to the
“ Library by the House of Commons.
“ And your Committee would now recommend the adoption of the said
“ Resolution by your Honorable House.

“ T. A. MURRAY,
“ Chairman.

“ *Legislative Assembly Chamber,*
“ *Sydney, 21 February, 1861.*”
- Ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Brien, to be printed.
3. Postponement:—The second reading of the Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Lucas, until this day week.
4. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill:—Mr. Walsh moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed,—
And Bill read a second time.
Mr. Walsh then moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day week.
Question put and passed.

5. Committee of Elections and Qualifications :—Mr. Hay, as Chairman, brought up a Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence taken before, the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred, on the 5th February, 1861, a Petition from William Palmer Moffat, of Balmain and Sydney, against the Election and Return of Thomas Ware Smart, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of The Glebe,—

And the Report having been read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker, as follows :—

“ The Committee of Elections and Qualifications duly appointed on the 16th January, 1861, under the provisions of the Electoral Act of 1858, to whom was referred on the 5th February, 1861, a Petition from William Palmer Moffat, of Balmain and Sydney, against the Election and Return of Thomas Ware Smart, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of ‘ The Glebe,’ have determined and do hereby accordingly declare,—

“ 1. That Thomas Ware Smart, Esquire, the sitting Member, has been duly elected as Member for the Electoral District of The Glebe.

“ 2. That the Petition of William Palmer Moffat is not frivolous or vexatious.

“ JOHN HAY,
“ Chairman.”

“ Legislative Assembly Chamber,
“ Sydney, 22 February, 1861.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hay, to be printed.

6. Postponement :—The second reading of the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Walsh, until this day week.

7. Impounding Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Watt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Cowper moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until this day fortnight.

Debate continued.

Question put, That this Debate be now adjourned until this day fortnight.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Allen.	Mr. Sattor,	Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Hay,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Luckey,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Lucas,	Capt. Moriarty, } Tellers.	Mr. Redman,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. McArthur, }	Mr. Terry,	Mr. Rusden, }
Mr. Leary,		Mr. Laycock,	

The Numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his Vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*.

8. Church and School Lands Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the farther consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight :—

SATURDAY, 23 FEBRUARY, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again on Friday next.

Question proposed, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Friday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at Ten Minutes after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; second reading.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
4. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; second reading.
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill; second reading.
2. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Church and School Lands Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—Mr Walsh, on behalf of the Chairman, moved, without notice, That the Committee of Elections and Qualifications have leave to adjourn their sittings *sine die*, the matter referred to them having been disposed of. Question put and passed.
2. Petition of William Henry:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favourable consideration of the Executive Council.
Debate ensued.
Motion made by Mr. Windeyer, and Question put and passed,—That this debate be now adjourned until this day week.
3. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
4. Identified Stolen Horses:—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Lord,	} Tellers.
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Irving,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Watt,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lackey,		

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Mr. Cowper,	} Tellers.
Mr. Robertson,	
Mr. Haworth,	
Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Blake,	
Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. C. Cowper,	
junr.,	
Mr. Morris,	

5. Proposed Common at Muswellbrook:—Mr. Rusden moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that he will cause to be granted to the inhabitants of Muswellbrook a portion of ground, for a common, and to obtain firewood—the land originally reserved, and to retain which they sent in a Memorial to the Secretary of Lands, having been sold.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negative.

6. Municipalities Act, 1858 :—Mr. T. Garrett moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of all Amendments or Alterations of and in the "Municipalities Act, 1858," sent in by the several Municipal Councils of this Colony, in reply to a Circular from the Attorney General.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
7. Roads, Shoalhaven District :—Mr. T. Garrett moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Moneys placed at the disposal of the Shoalhaven Bench of Magistrates for the Repair and Maintenance of Roads in that District during the years 1859 and 1860, also, shewing how and where such Moneys have been expended, and the amount of the balance of each grant, if any, now in hand.
Question put and passed.
8. Mr. Francis O'Meara :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. Francis O'Meara, presented to the Legislative Assembly, and ordered to be printed, 31st March, 1858, be referred to the Committee on Grievances for their consideration and report.
Question put and passed.
9. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Parkes not making the motion standing in his name, No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
10. Reimbursement to Library Funds :—Mr. O'Brien moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That the Report from the Library Committee, dated 21st February, 1861, on the subject of Reimbursement to Library Funds, brought up by him on behalf of the Chairman, and ordered to be printed, be now adopted by this House.
(2.) That a copy of the said Report and Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the Government, with an Address requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause the necessary steps to be taken for carrying the same into effect.
Question put and passed.
11. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill, of 1861 :—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. Samuel Hebblewhite, presented by him on the 22nd February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Unpaid Magistracy :—Mr. Meston moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House :—
(1.) Returns made by the Clerks of Petty Sessions of the several times, if at all, that the unpaid Magistracy attended at their respective Benches during the year 1860.
(2.) A List of such places as have had Petitions forwarded to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, praying for Police Magistrates during the year 1860.
Question put and passed.
13. James Ralfe :—Mr. Flett moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of James Ralfe, Licensed Surveyor of Port Macquarie, which was presented to this House about the 5th November, 1856, and ordered to be printed—afterwards referred, on the motion of Captain James Williamson, to the Committee of Enquiry into the Surveyor General's Department—be now referred to the Grievances Committee.
Question put and passed.
14. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Blake not making the motion standing in his name, No. 13 on the Notice Paper for to day, it dropped.
15. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill :—Mr. Mate moved, pursuant to amended notice, standing in the name of Mr. Dick, and on his behalf,—
(1.) That the Bill to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, as surviving Trustee of certain land situated in the Town of West Maitland, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale, be referred to a Select Committee.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Blake, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Markham, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Hart, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Terry, and Mr. Dick.
Question put and passed.
16. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Chinese Immigration.
Question put and passed: *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
17. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Cummings not making the motion standing in his name, No. 16 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
18. Road between Hinton Punt and Morpeth :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £400, for the repair of the road between the Hinton Punt and the Town of Morpeth.
Debate ensued.
Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 3.
 Mr. Laycock,
 Mr. Allen,
 Mr. Buchanan, } Tellers.

Noes, 38.
 Mr. Cowper, Mr. Hoskins,
 Mr. Robertson, Mr. T. Garrett,
 Mr. Arnold, Mr. Caldwell,
 Capt. Moriarty, Mr. Blake,
 Mr. McArthur, Mr. Terry,
 Mr. Hay, Mr. Dalgleish,
 Mr. Piddington, Mr. Wilson,
 Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Hannell,
 Mr. Egan, Mr. Wisdom,
 Mr. Walsh, Mr. Neston,
 Mr. Mate, Mr. Love,
 Mr. Morris, Mr. Sutherland,
 Mr. Flett, Mr. Lackey,
 Mr. Rusden, Mr. Stewart,
 Mr. Parkes, Mr. Cummings,
 Mr. Raper, Mr. Dickson,
 Mr. Suttor, Mr. Daniel,
 Mr. Macleay, Mr. C. Cowper, } Tellers.
 Mr. Watt, junr.,
 Mr. Lucas,

19. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—Mr. Lucas having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to Regulate Chinese Immigration*,"—read a first time.
 Mr. Lucas then moved, That this Bill be printed, and that the second reading thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday next, to take precedence of all other business on the Paper for that day.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.
 Mr. Lucas afterwards moved, That this Bill be printed, and that the second reading thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday week.
 Question put and passed.
20. Road Funds, Carcoar:—Mr. Watt moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Returns be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A Return, shewing what sums have been placed to the credit of the present Police Magistrate of Carcoar, on account of the various Road Trusts of the district, from his appointment to office to 31st December, 1860.
- (2.) A Return, shewing how and on what parts of these Roads (stating the distance from Carcoar, East and West) these moneys have been expended, with the usual vouchers in support of each payment.
- (3.) A Return, setting forth the names of the various persons who have acted on the several Road Committees of the District from the accession of the present Police Magistrate to office, to 31st December, 1860, shewing distinctly the periods during which they have co-operated in the management of the road affairs, and whether he has at any time, contrary to his Government instructions, taken upon himself to expend the Road Moneys without the aid of such Committees.
- (4.) A Return, accompanied by attested vouchers, shewing the cost of a horse and cart, and various supplies purchased by the present Police Magistrate of Carcoar, on account of the Road Funds of the District, stating by whose authority or direction these purchases were made, and whether these supplies were forwarded to Carcoar by the Government horse and cart, as goods on his own private account.
 Question put and passed.
21. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. O'Brien withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 19 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
22. New Invention in Locomotion:—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Edward Bell, respecting the construction of Railways, presented by him on the 21st February, be printed.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered to be printed.
23. City of Newcastle:—Mr. Hannell moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from the Municipal Council of Newcastle, presented to this House on the 20th February, be printed and referred to the Select Committee on Grievances.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered to be printed and referred accordingly.
24. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a second time.
 Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Walsh, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
 The Chairman having reported the Bill, without amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday week.
25. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill, on motion of Mr. Blake, read a second time.
 Whereupon, Mr. Blake moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day fortnight.
 Question put and passed.
26. Postponement:—The second reading of Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Walsh, until this day fortnight.
27. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill:—Mr. Blake moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.

Mr.

Mr. Allen 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 ensued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.

And Division called for,—but, there being no Tellers for the Noes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*.

Whereupon Bill read a second time; and ordered, on motion of Mr. Blake, to be considered in Committee on Friday fortnight.

28. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Robertson, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Robertson then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act, 1857,' as relates to Broad Wheels.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act of 1857' as relates to Broad Wheels,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 26th February, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

29. Postponement:—The Second Reading of the Inquests concerning Fires Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Hart, until Friday next.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at Ten minutes after Ten o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move for Copies of the Depositions in the case of Turner and Wood, sentenced by the Deniliquin Bench to one year's imprisonment with hard labour for camping with the Blacks.

Questions:—

Questions :—

1. MR. ROTTON *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) If it is a fact, as stated by the Secretary for Public Works, in Committee of Supply, that there is no probability of the Railway Extensions being finished within the Contract time? If so, why not?
(2.) If not, what steps will the Government take?
2. MR. BUCHANAN *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why the Proceedings, at the Meeting of the Executive Council, in Swan's case, previous to 11th October, 1860, were not included in the Return, and if the Colonial Secretary has any objection to lay the Proceedings, at the Meeting referred to, on the Table of this House?
3. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to introduce any Bill this Session to Subsidise a Line of Steam Vessels between the Port of Sydney and Panama, or any other Port on the Pacific Shores of Central America?
4. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government have had under consideration the expediency of establishing a Militia Force in the Colony, and if so, what determination has been arrived at in the matter?
5. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether any further supply of Enfield Rifles, or other Arms, has been ordered from England?
6. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Whether the Bills to Increase the Duties on Foreign and Colonial Rums, and other Spirits, which, by a Suspension of the Standing Orders, passed through all their stages in this House on the 6th instant, have yet become, or are likely to become, law?
(2.) If those Bills are not likely to be passed into law, whether any other measure to increase the Public Revenue will be submitted to Parliament during the present Session; and whether the Government intend to proceed with any measure to abolish the Export Duty on Gold?
(3.) Whether the increased rates of Duty, as provided by the Bills that passed this House on the 6th instant, have been imposed by the Customs authorities, and, if so, within what dates have they been so charged, and will any portion of such Duties be now refunded?
7. MR. RAPER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—The number of Beasts slaughtered at the Abattoirs since its opening; also, the amount paid in to the Treasury for the inspection of same, by the Inspector?
8. MR. BLAKE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether any, and what steps have been taken by the Government with respect to the continuation and opening of the Road from Mount Dee to the Town of West Maitland?
9. MR. DICK *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government have in contemplation, any, and what changes in the office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates?
10. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Result of the Enquiry as to the conduct of Inspector Singleton, in striking a prisoner named Pat. Murray, whilst manacled, in Darlinghurst Gaol, on the 24th ultimo, will be communicated to this House?

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY *to move*,—That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that no new business be entered into after midnight.

Questions :—

1. MR. HOSKINS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS :—Whether the Government intend to have land surveyed and put up for sale in allotments suitable for farms upon the banks of the Peel River, and in the vicinity of the Gold Fields?
2. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Is it the practice in his Department to permit subordinate Officers to carry on business on their own private account?
(2.) Is the Secretary for Works aware, that in a recent case, tried at the Central Police Court, Sydney, Mr. Beasley, who described himself as "Engineer for Roads," gave evidence that he was the Architect of a certain house in Balmain, now in the course of erection for a Mr. Long?
3. MR. HANNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is the Government aware of the insecure state of the Railway Viaduct over Iron Bark Creek, on the Great Northern line, from the attacks of "Cobra," and whether immediate steps will be taken to prevent the possibility of accident?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill; second reading.
2. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Church and School Lands Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Compensation to Messrs. Brett and Heather, relative to Identified Stolen Horses; consideration in Committee of Address for.
7. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move for a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of this House, relative to Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.

Questions:—

1. MR. LEWIS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) What are the duties devolving upon Mr. Keene, the Examiner of Coal Fields, in that capacity?
 - (2.) Whether Mr. Keene is an Examiner of Coal Mines, or not.
 - (3.) If he is, What are his duties as such Examiner of Coal Mines?
2. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government are aware that fourteen of the crew (Lascars) of the barque "Norna," from Foo-chow, China, upon their arrival at this port, applied to the Officers of the Water Police Establishment for permission to prefer a charge against Captain Crawford, master of that vessel, for ill using them during the voyage, and that such application was suppressed?
 - (2.) Whether the Government are aware that one of the crew (a Lascar) of the name of Budeen, was removed from that vessel to the Infirmary, with his back excoriated, and apparently dying from alleged ill-usage received on board the "Norna," at Captain Crawford's instigation?
 - (3.) Whether the Crown Law Officers intend to institute criminal proceedings against the master of said vessel for the alleged offence?
 - (4.) Is it the intention of the Government to institute an investigation into the conduct of the Water Police Magistrate and his subordinates with reference to this transaction?
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether the Pilot Board made any investigation into the Qualifications of the person appointed to the situation of Harbour Master and Pilot at Eden; and also by whose authority the position of the Light House at Eden was fixed?
4. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether he has received any communication from the Pilot Board, that there is no present necessity for the appointment of an additional Pilot for Port Jackson?

TUESDAY, MARCH 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That in the opinion of this House, the conduct of their Honors the Judges, in recommending the Reprieve of Swan, convicted of murder by the unanimous verdict of a Jury, without recommendation to mercy, such verdict being acquiesced in by the presiding Judge; that, under these circumstances, the recommending a Reprieve, founded on their Honors' opinion that the Jury had arrived at an erroneous verdict on the evidence, was unconstitutional, a usurpation of the province of the Jury by the Judges, and a direct attack upon the rights of Trial by Jury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the expediency of substituting cane for the present stuffed cushions on some or all of the seats in this Chamber.

4. MR. PARKES to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill ; third reading.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill ; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY MARCH, 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Papers:—
 - (1.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table Maps distinguishing the Settled, Intermediate, and Squatting Districts of the Colony;—also, a Statement shewing the Number and Area of Reserves in the (late) “Intermediate” and “Unsettled” Districts.
Ordered, that the said Statement be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Arnold, (*with reference to the Question standing in the name of Mr. Buchanan, No. 2 on the Notice paper for to-day*) laid upon the Table, Additional Papers in the case of the Reprieve of “Swan.”
Ordered to be printed.
2. Document in Custody of the Clerk, required for Crown Prosecution:—The Speaker,—having informed the House that the Clerk had this day received a letter from the Crown Solicitor (Mr. John Williams) requesting that he may be furnished with the original Writ issued by the Governor for the Electorate of East Macquarie at the last General Election, in order to its being produced at the next Bathurst Circuit Court on the Trial of one Hugh O’Donald charged with voting twice at an Election—which Writ is now in the possession of this House;—and having reminded the House that the Clerk cannot comply with such request without leave of the House:—
Put a Question,—That the Clerk have leave to comply with such request—taking a written receipt for the said Writ, together with an undertaking in writing that the same shall be returned to him as soon as the requirement for which it is so borrowed shall have been satisfied,—which passed in the *Affirmative*.
3. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—Mr. Lucas presented a Petition from the Chairman and Councillors of the Municipality of Waterloo, under the Seal of the Municipality, praying that this Bill may pass.
Petition received.
4. Postponement:—Mr. Arnold postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Weekes, No. 1, and the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 2, on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
5. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861:—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from certain Freeholders, Houscholders, Residents in Pitt-street, and others, against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
6. Postponement:—The first Order of the Day postponed, on motion of Mr. Arnold, until Wednesday next.
7. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Arnold, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
The Chairman obtained leave to sit again to-morrow, and reported the following Resolutions:—

ESTIMATES FOR 1861.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

- (4.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,167, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1861.
- (5.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,620, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the General Establishment of the Railway Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(6.)

(6.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £44,375, to defray the salaries, contingencies, and working expenses of the Establishments of Existing Lines of Railway, under the Railway Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(7.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £15,490, to defray the salaries, allowances, contingencies, and working expenses of the Establishment of the Electric Telegraph Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(8.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,880, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the General Establishment of the Road Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(9.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,493, to defray the salaries of the Field Establishment of the Road Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(10.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £87,450, to defray the expense of construction and maintenance of Roads, under the Road Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, for the year 1861.

(11.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100, to defray Repairs of Bridges (Flood Vote), for the year 1861.

(12.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,175, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Colonial Architect, for the year 1861.

(13.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £379, to defray the salaries and contingencies of Establishment for Fortifications, for the year 1861.

(14.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £500, to defray salaries and contingencies at Glebe Island Abattoirs, for the year 1861.

(15.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,800, to defray the expense of Public Works for the year 1861, being £300 for grassing Sand Hills, near Sydney; and £1,500 for Extension of King-street and Entrance Gates to Domain.

(16.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £52,202, to defray the expense of Public Buildings for the year 1861; being £10,000 for ordinary repairs, alterations, and additions to Public Buildings generally; £1,500 for repairs to Military Barracks and other Buildings; £250 for lighting lamps, sweeping chimneys, &c., Victoria Barracks; £3,000 to provide Furniture and Fittings for the Public Offices generally; £2,000 for providing Materials and Implements for employment of Prisoners at Darlinghurst Gaol; £1,500 for same at Parramatta Gaol; £500 for same at Goulburn Gaol; £500 for same at Maitland Gaol; £500 for same at Bathurst Gaol; £1,000 to be expended under the Hyde Park Committee of Management; £25,000 for providing Court Houses, Lock-ups, and Gaols, under the District Courts Act; £400 for rent of Buildings in Phillip-street; £600 for the erection of a Post Office, West Maitland; £600 for repairs to the Roman Catholic School, Parramatta; £750 for the erection of a Custom House at Grafton; £400 for the erection of Quarters for the Landing Waiter at Eden; £100 for the erection of new machinery at the Government Printing Office; £650 for the erection of a Record Room, Department of Lands; £427 for lighting Government Lamps in the streets of Sydney; £1,125 for improving landing place and outbuildings of Powder Magazine, Goat Island; £300 for shingling of roofs, Military Barracks, Newcastle; £500 for additions and alterations, Buildings, Cockatoo Island; and £600 for Cook House and Fencing, Protestant Orphan School, Parramatta.

(17.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,439, to defray Services at Fortifications, for the year 1861.

(18.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £27,600, to pay off Debentures falling due in 1861.

(19.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,400, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Engineer's Department for Harbors and River Navigation, for the year 1861.

(20.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,480, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Harbors and River Navigation for Steam Dredge "Hunter," for the year 1861.

(21.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,674, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Harbors and River Navigation for the Steam Dredge "Hercules," for the year 1861.

(22.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,410, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Harbors and River Navigation for the Glebe Island Punts, for the year 1861.

(23.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,125, to defray expense of Public Works of the Department of Harbors and River Navigation, for the year 1861; being—£1,000 for landing silt from Dredge, and forming ground; £500 for repairs to Dam, Cook's River; £300 for Diving Dresses; £400 for erection of Wharf at Tathra; £675 for Sea Wall, Botanical Gardens; £1,000 for extension of Dyke on Flats, River Hunter; and £250 for improvement of Wharf, Port Macquarie.

(24.)

(24.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,135, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Fitz Roy Dock Establishment, for the year 1861.

(25.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £52, to defray Miscellaneous Services for the year 1861, being for compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courcy annually for 5 years.

TO BE PROVIDED BY LOAN.

(26.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1861, to be provided for by Loan, a sum not exceeding £8,320, to defray salaries, allowances, and contingencies of the Railway Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, being £1,300 for valuation of land; and £7,020 for authorized extension of Works in progress.

(27.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £29,000, for the year 1861, to be provided for by Loan, to defray the expenses of the Electric Telegraph Branch of the Department of Internal Communication, being £25,000 for proposed extension of Line from Deniliquin to the Eastern Boundary of South Australia, *via* Moulamein, Balranald, Euston, and Wentworth; and £4,000 for extension of Line from Goulburn to Braidwood.

(28.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £51,515, for the year 1861, to be provided by Loan; being £15,265 for New Wharf, Woolloomooloo Bay; £20,000 towards improvement of Clarence and Richmond Rivers; £3,000 for improvements to Moruya River; £5,000 for extension of Wharf Accommodation, Newcastle; £3,250 for purchase of Steam Cranes; and £5,000 towards construction of Northern Breakwater, Newcastle.

Mr. Arnold then moved, That this House do now adopt these Resolutions.

Question put and passed.

8. Postponement:—The Second Reading of the Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Arnold, until to-morrow.
9. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at Eleven o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That leave of absence, for fourteen days, be given to Mr. Cowper, one of the Members for East Sydney, for the purpose of visiting the Burrangong Gold Field.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
3. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move,—That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that no new business be entered into after midnight.
2. MR. LUCAS to move. That the Petition presented by him from the Municipality of Waterloo, be printed.
3. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him, from Freeholders and others, against the Pitt-street Tramway Bill, be printed.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move for Copies of the Depositions in the case of Turner and Wood, sentenced by the Deniliquin Bench to one year's imprisonment with hard labour for camping with the Blacks.

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1. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS:—Whether the Government intend to have land surveyed and put up for sale in allotments suitable for farms upon the banks of the Peel River, and in the vicinity of the Gold Fields?
2. MR. ALLEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is it the practice in his Department to permit subordinate Officers to carry on business on their own private account?
 - (2.) Is the Secretary for Works aware, that in a recent case, tried at the Central Police Court, Sydney, Mr. Beasley, who described himself as “Engineer for Roads,” gave evidence that he was the Architect of a certain house in Balmain, now in the course of erection for a Mr. Long?
3. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is the Government aware of the insecure state of the Railway Viaduct over Iron Bark Creek, on the Great Northern line, from the attacks of “Cobra,” and whether immediate steps will be taken to prevent the possibility of accident?
4. MR. LAYCOCK to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government will order an Electoral List to be posted up at every Polling Place throughout the Colony, before the Lists are revised, to afford Electors generally an opportunity of seeing whether their names are on the List or not?
5. MR. LAYCOCK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Contractor for the Liverpool Dam has undertaken to finish his Contract within a specified time?
6. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether any, and what steps have been taken by the Government with respect to the continuation and opening of the Road from Mount Dee to the Town of West Maitland?
7. MR. PARKES to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether he can state when the Government will be prepared to proceed with the consideration of the Legislative Council Bill?

FRIDAY, MARCH 1.

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 - (4.) Did the Pilot Board apply for the appointment of a Pilot to fill the late vacancy at the Heads of Port Jackson, or otherwise?

TUESDAY, MARCH 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That in the opinion of this House, the conduct of their Honors the Judges, in recommending the Reprieve of Swan, convicted of murder by the unanimous verdict of a Jury, without recommendation to mercy, such verdict being acquiesced in by the presiding Judge; that, under these circumstances, the recommending a Reprieve, founded on their Honors' opinion that the Jury had arrived at an erroneous verdict on the evidence, was unconstitutional, a usurpation of the province of the Jury by the Judges, and a direct attack upon the rights of Trial by Jury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the expediency of substituting cane for the present stuffed cushions on some or all of the seats in this Chamber.
4. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
5. MR. BLAKE to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between the Local and Imperial Governments, together with all Papers in the offices of the several Departments of Government, with reference to the claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft.
6. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Report from the Pilot Board on the working of that Department, so far as regards Harbour Regulations, Harbour Masters, Pilots, with their Boats' Crews, Light Houses, Light Keepers, and suggestions for improvements in those matters.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

Question:—

Question :—

E. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—

(1.) Whether the Bills to Increase the Duties on Foreign and Colonial Rums, and other Spirits, which, by a Suspension of the Standing Orders, passed through all their stages in this House on the 6th February, have yet become, or are likely to become, law?

(2.) If those Bills are not likely to be passed into law, whether any other measure to increase the Public Revenue will be submitted to Parliament during the present Session; and whether the Government intend to proceed with any measure to abolish the Export Duty on Gold?

(3.) Whether the increased rates of Duty, as provided by the Bills that passed this House on the 6th February, have been imposed by the Customs authorities, and, if so, within what dates have they been so charged, and will any portion of such Duties be now refunded?

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY MARCH, 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 28 FEBRUARY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Leave of absence:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence, for fourteen days, be given to Mr. Cowper, one of the Members for East Sydney, for the purpose of visiting the Burrangong Gold Field.
 Question put and passed.
2. Postponements:—
 (1.) Mr. Arnold postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Weekes, No. 2, and the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 3, on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until Wednesday next.
 (2.) The Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means, and the Committee of Supply, postponed, respectively, on motion of Mr. Arnold, until Wednesday next.
3. Pitt-street Tramway Bill:—Mr. Arnold moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Peisley,	
Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
junr.,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Meston,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Lord,	
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Shepherd,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lary,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Wilson,	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Raper,	
Mr. Dalgicish,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Haworth,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. McArthur,	} Tellers.
Mr. Rusden,	

Whereupon, Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Arnold, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration thereof.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Question proposed, That leave be granted to the Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Motion made by Mr. Arnold, and Question put, That the Question be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the words, "to take precedence of all other business on the Paper for that day."

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Arnold,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Love,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Flett,
Mr. C. Cowper,
junr.,
Mr. Terry,
Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Busden,
Mr. Hoskins, } Tellers.

Noes, 34.

Mr. O'Brien,
Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. McArthur,
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Mr. Watt,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Raper,
Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Irving,
Mr. Hart,
Mr. Botton,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Windeyer, } Tellers.

Original Question then put and passed.

4. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill:—The Speaker reported that the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, and Sixtieth Sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857,*" with the Amendment in the Title indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which Amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th February, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Whereupon, Mr. Windeyer moved, That the consideration of the Amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Title of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Question put and passed.

5. Postponements:—The following Orders of the Day postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow:—
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
 5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
 6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
6. Business of the House:—Captain Moriarty moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that no new business be entered into after "Midnight."
Mr. McArthur moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Midnight" with a view to the insertion in its place of the words "Eleven o'clock P. M."
Debate ensued.
Question,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and Negatived.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight;—

FRIDAY, 1 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

Question put, That the words proposed to be inserted in the place of the word omitted be so inserted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Love,
Mr. McArthur,
Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Flett,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Terry,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Wilson, } Tellers.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lesley,
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Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Douglas,
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Mr. Morris, } Tellers.

Motion made by Mr. Piddington, and Question put, That in the place of the word omitted the words "half-past Eleven" be inserted.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 13.		Noes, 20.	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. C. Cowper,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Driver,	junr.,
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		Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Suttor,
		Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Dalgleish,
		Ms. Wisdom,	Mr. Morris,
		Mr. Lesley,	

Motion made by Mr. Love, and Question put and passed, That, in the place of the word omitted, the words "five minutes before twelve" be inserted. Whereupon, Question put, That it be an Order of this House for the present Session, that no new business be entered into after five minutes before twelve.

The House divided.

Ayes, 12.		Noes, 18.	
Mr. O'Brien,	Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Markham,
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The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at a quarter after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

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3. MR. LUCAS to move, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the expediency of substituting cane for the present stuffed cushions on some or all of the seats in this Chamber.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

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OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
3. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

Question :—

1. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether the Bills to Increase the Duties on Foreign and Colonial Rums, and other Spirits, which, by a Suspension of the Standing Orders, passed through all their stages in this House on the 6th February, have yet become, or are likely to become, law?
 - (2.) If those Bills are not likely to be passed into law, whether any other measure to increase the Public Revenue will be submitted to Parliament during the present Session; and whether the Government intend to proceed with any measure to abolish the Export Duty on Gold?
 - (3.) Whether the increased rates of Duty, as provided by the Bills that passed this House on the 6th February, have been imposed by the Customs authorities, and, if so, within what dates have they been so charged, and will any portion of such Duties be now refunded?

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MATE to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the careless use of fires.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY MARCH, 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 1 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Papers:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) Correspondence relative to the case of the barque "Norna," (*in reference to Question No. 2, standing on the Paper for to-day, in the name of Mr. Hoskins*).
(2.) Subordinate Roads of New South Wales. (Classification and proposed Distribution for 1861.)
Ordered to be printed.
2. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—Mr. Lucas presented the undermentioned Petitions in favor of this Bill:—
(1.) From the Municipal Council of Waverley, signed by the Chairman, and bearing the Seal of the Municipality.
(2.) From certain Ratepayers of Waverley.
Petitions received.
3. Sydney Revenues Improvement Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.
Mr. Robertson moved, That the Question be amended, by the omission of all the words following the word "now," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report."
"That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Hay, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Smart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Love, Mr. Egan, Mr. Lucas, and the Mover."
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 the place of the words omitted, be so inserted,—put and passed.
Whereupon Question,—
(1.) That this Bill be now referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Hay, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Smart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Love, Mr. Egan, Mr. Lucas, and the Mover,—put and passed.
4. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—Mr. Lucas moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 11.
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Love,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Raper, *
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Terry,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. McArthur, } Tellers.
Mr. Lucas, }

Noes, 29.
Mr. Robertson, Mr. Blake,
Mr. Arnold, Mr. Gray,
Mr. C. Cowper, Mr. Leary,
junr., Mr. Lesley,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Walsh, Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Egan, Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Lackey, Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Smart, Mr. Driver,
Mr. Piddington, Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Hart,
Mr. Markham, Mr. Hay,
Mr. Daniel, Mr. Mate,
Mr. Flett, Mr. Watt, } Tellers.
Mr. Meston, Mr. Wilson, }

5. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Walsh, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported the Bill with Amendments, and with the Title amended so as to read thus :—“ *A Bill to authorize the Appointment of Commissioners to issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at Newcastle Eden and Albury.*”
Mr. Walsh then moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Walsh moved, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
6. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a second time ;—
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Walsh, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
7. Church and School Lands Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments,—
Mr. Wilson moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Question put.
The House divided.

Aycs, 32.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Egan,	} Tellers.
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Piddington,		
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Daniel,		
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Suttor,		
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Buchanan,		
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Wisdom,		
Mr. Meeton,	Mr. T. Garrett,		
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Love,		
Mr. Macleay,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,		
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Peisley,		
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Rotton,		
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Wilson,		

Whereupon, Mr. Wilson moved, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.

8. Compensation to Messrs. Brett and Heather, relative to Identified Stolen Horses :—
On motion of Mr. Macleay, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Order of the Day.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution :—
Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £100, for the purpose of compensating Richard Brett and Richard Heather for the losses sustained by them, under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Legislative Assembly, in the month of February, 1860.
Mr. Macleay then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.
9. Inquests concerning Fires Bill, on motion of Mr. Dick, read a second time ;—
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Dick, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
10. Common Law Procedure Act Extension Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, That this House agree to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Title of this Bill.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Parkes moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Title of the Bill intituled, “ *An Act to extend to Criminal Trials the provisions contained in the fifty-eighth, fifty-ninth, and sixtieth Sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857.*”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, March 1st, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

11. Plans, Specifications, and Estimates relative to Railway Extension:—Mr. Cummings moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, now in possession of the House, relative to Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
12. Light House near Jervis Bay :—Captain Moriarty moved, pursuant to notice, That the Return of all Correspondence and other Documents connected with the erection of the Light House near Jervis Bay, laid upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on 23rd October, 1860, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting in reference to the erection of the said Light House.
Question put and passed.
13. Motions withdrawn :—
(1.) Mr. Lucas withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 3 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
(2.) Mr. Sutherland withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 4 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
14. Turner and Wood :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions in the case of Turner and Wood, sentenced by the Deniliquin Bench to one year's imprisonment with hard labour for camping with the Blacks.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
15. Pitt-street Tramway Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment,—
Mr. Arnold moved, That the adoption of this Report stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
16. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill having been read,—
And the Speaker being about to leave the Chair,—
Mr. Arnold moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at ten minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That in the opinion of this House, the conduct of their Honors the Judges, in recommending the Reprieve of Swan, convicted of murder by the unanimous verdict of a Jury, without recommendation to mercy, such verdict being acquiesced in by the presiding Judge; that, under these circumstances, the recommending a Reprieve, founded on their Honors' opinion that the Jury had arrived at an erroneous verdict on the evidence, was unconstitutional, a usurpation of the province of the Jury by the Judges, and a direct attack upon the rights of Trial by Jury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, showing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the expediency of substituting cane for the present stuffed cushions on some or all of the seats in this Chamber.

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5. MR. BLAKE to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between the Local and Imperial Governments, together with all Papers in the offices of the several Departments of Government, with reference to the claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft.
6. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Report from the Pilot Board on the working of that Department, so far as regards Harbour Regulations, Harbour Masters, Pilots, with their Boats' Crews, Light Houses, Light Keepers, and suggestions for improvements in those matters.
7. MR. LUCAS to move, That the Petition presented by him from the Inhabitants of Waverley be printed.
8. MR. LUCAS to move, That the Petition presented by him from the Waverley Municipality be printed.

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2. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; third reading.
3. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill; third reading.
4. Inquests concerning Fires Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; Adoption of the Report.
2. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

Questions:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether the Pilot Board made any investigation into the Qualifications of the person appointed to the situation of Harbour Master and Pilot at Eden; and also by whose authority the position of the Light House at Eden was fixed?
2. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether he has received any communication from the Pilot Board, that there is no present necessity for the appointment of an additional Pilot for Port Jackson?
3. MR. MACLEAY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is it the intention of the Government to place on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, or on the Estimates for 1862, any sum of money for the improvement of the navigation of the Rivers Murray, Murrumbidgee, and Darling?
4. MR. BLAKE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government, shortly, to appoint Black Creek a place at which Courts of Petty Sessions may be holden, no similar Courts now being held nearer thereto than West Maitland, distant about fifteen miles?
5. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 (1.) If it is the intention of the Government to introduce open Courts of Appeal in the Customs Department, as established in England?
 (2.) If it is the intention of Government to amend the Harbour Regulations of this Port?
 (3.) If it is the duty of the Pilot Board to examine or recommend Light House Keepers; if so, was the Head Light Keeper of the Jervis Bay Light House so examined or recommended; was he ever Keeper in any other Light House, if not, why was he so appointed?
 (4.) Did the Pilot Board apply for the appointment of a Pilot to fill the late vacancy at the Heads of Port Jackson, or otherwise?
6. MR. WATT to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—When the Returns from the Pilot Board, moved for by him some time since, will be laid before this Assembly.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
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Question :—

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 - (1.) Whether the Bills to Increase the Duties on Foreign and Colonial Rums, and other Spirits, which, by a Suspension of the Standing Orders, passed through all their stages in this House on the 6th February, have yet become, or are likely to become, law ?
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FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. MATE to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the careless use of fires.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill ; third reading.
4. Church and School Lands Bill ; third reading.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

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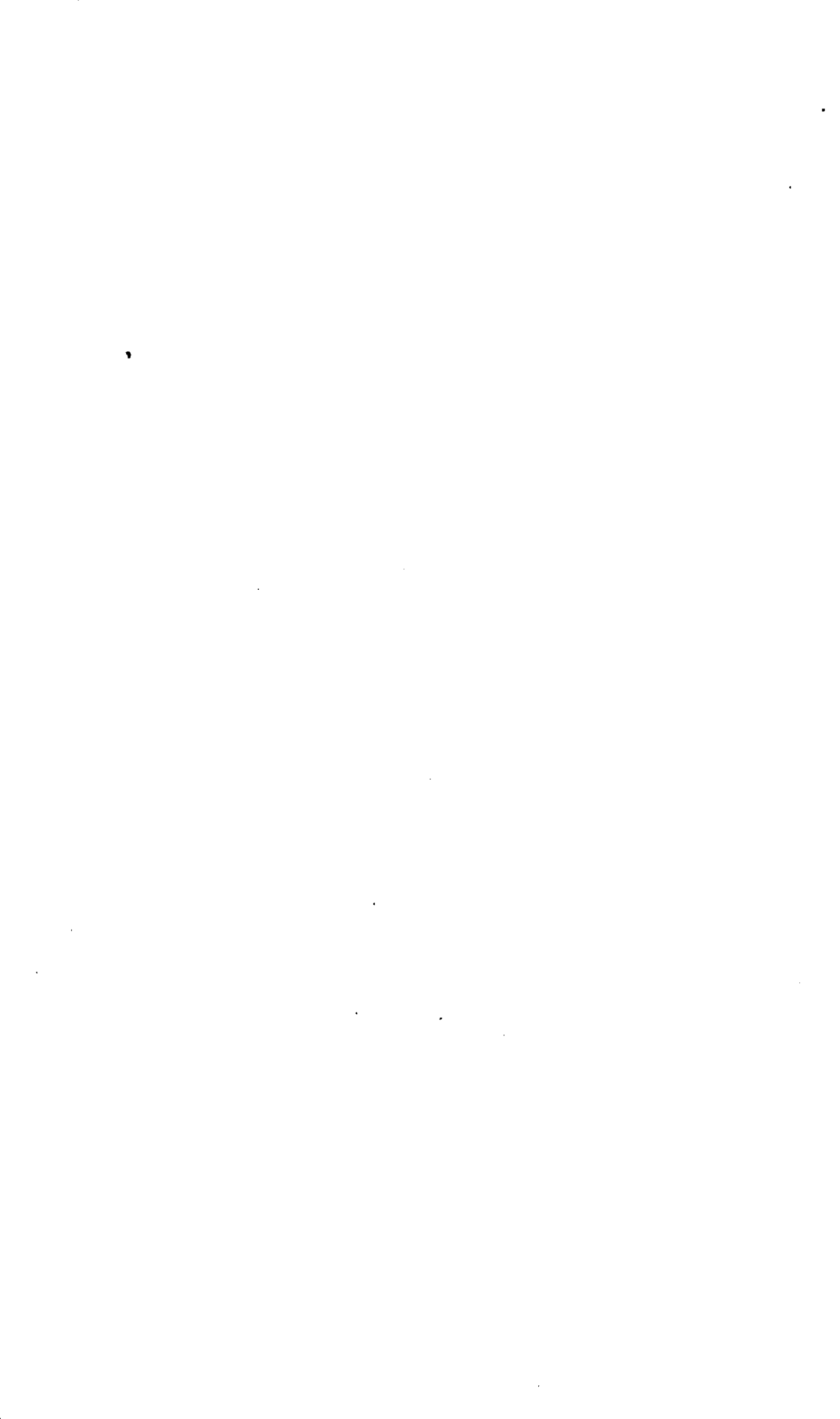
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TUESDAY MARCH, 19.

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1. Mr. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 5 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table further Correspondence relative to the case of the Barque "Norna."
Ordered to be printed.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861—(*Point of Order*):—Mr. Robertson, offering a Notice of Motion for the restoration to the Paper of the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill, which had been omitted, under the view that it had lapsed by the adjournment of the House, after it had been read, on Friday last;—
The Speaker said "he was of opinion, after mature consideration, that the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill did not lapse by reason of the adjournment on Friday last; and that it ought still to appear on the Paper. The reading of the Order of the Day and the motion for the adjournment actually clashed, for the one was not quite concluded before the Secretary for Public Works proposed the other. No proceeding whatever was taken on the Order of the Day—the Speaker was still in the Chair when the adjournment was moved—that motion was quite in order, and was assented to by the House; and in his opinion the Order of the Day, under the circumstances, ought to be regarded simply as a "dropped Order."
Whereupon, Mr. Robertson withdrew his motion, with the understanding that the Order will be restored to the Paper for to-morrow—then to stand first of the Orders of the Day.
3. Administration of Justice—(Insolvent Law):—Mr. Love presented a Petition from Samuel Anderson and John Campbell, of King-street, Sydney, flour and corn factors, alleging that they have sustained certain injuries arising out of a Judgment delivered in the Supreme Court, in the matter of Sempill (Official Assignee) v. Anderson and Campbell, in the Insolvency of one Patrick Barron; and praying a consideration of their case.
Petition received.
4. Reprieve of "Swan":—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to amended notice, That in the opinion of this House, the conduct of their Honors the Judges, in recommending the Reprieve of Swan, convicted of murder by the unanimous verdict of a Jury, without recommendation to mercy, such verdict being acquiesced in by the presiding Judge; the recommending a Reprieve, founded on their Honors' opinion that the Jury had arrived at an erroneous verdict on the evidence, was unconstitutional, a usurpation of the province of the Jury by the Judges, and a direct attack upon the rights of Trial by Jury.
Debate ensued.
Question put,—
And Division called for,—but, there being no Tellers for the Ayes no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the *Negative*.
5. Private Lands taken for Railway purposes:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabulated Return of all private lands that have been taken by the Government for Railway purposes, shewing in detail in each case the date of taking possession, the quantity, the situation, the name of owner, the amount of compensation claimed, and the amount paid; the mode of settling disputed claims, the costs of arbitration or other mode of settlement, and how the same were paid; the name and profession of arbitrators and valuers employed, the separate expenses claimed by them, and the date of their employment; the causes of delay in unsettled claims;—and that such Return shew these particulars for each Line of Railway separately.
Question put and passed.

6. Proposed Cane Seating in the Chamber :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the expediency of substituting Cane for the present stuffed cushions on some or all of the seats in this Chamber.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. O'Brien,

} Tellers.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Irving,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Hoskins,

} Tellers.

7. Postponement :—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day fortnight.
8. Dr. Jonathan Croft :—Mr. Blake moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between the Local and Imperial Governments, together with all Papers in the offices of the several Departments of Government, with reference to the claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft.
Question put and passed.
9. Pilot Board :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Report from the Pilot Board on the working of that Department, so far as regards Harbour Regulations, Harbour Masters, Pilots, with their Boats' Crews, Light Houses, Light Keepers; and suggestions for improvements in those matters.
Question put and passed.
10. Motions dropped :—Mr. Lucas not making the motions standing in his name, Nos. 7 and 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, they dropped.
11. The Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council,—postponed, on motion of Mr. Terry, until Friday next.
12. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill :—Mr. Morris moved, That this Bill be "now" read a third time.
Mr. Hart moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."
Debate ensued.
Mr. Stewart moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until this day week.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Irving,
Mr. Love,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Hay,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Moriarty,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Morris,

} Tellers.

Noes, 6.

Mr. Driver,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Blake,
Mr. Hart,

} Tellers.

13. Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Terry, read a third time and passed.
Mr. Terry then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate."
Question put and passed.

Whereupon

Whereupon Mr. Terry moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate,*" with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

REGISTRATION OF DEEDS AFFECTING REAL ESTATE LAW AMENDMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled, "*An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate,*" returned to the Legislative Council with Message of 5th March, 1861.

CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Clause 1, line 23. *Substitute "twelve" for "six."*

Examined—

ROBERT WISDOM,
Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

14. Inquests concerning Fires Bill, on motion of Mr. Mate, read a third time and *passed*. Mr. Mate then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Mate moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled "*An Act to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

15. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Arnold moved, That the Report from the Committee of the Whole House on this Bill be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Arnold then moved, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Question put and passed.

16. Postponement :—The consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until to-morrow.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty minutes after Six o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
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1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.
5. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 ; third reading.
6. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
7. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether the Bills to Increase the Duties on Foreign and Colonial Rums, and other Spirits, which, by a Suspension of the Standing Orders, passed through all their stages in this House on the 6th February, have yet become, or are likely to become, law ?
 - (2.) If those Bills are not likely to be passed into law, whether any other measure to increase the Public Revenue will be submitted to Parliament during the present Session ; and whether the Government intend to proceed with any measure to abolish the Export Duty on Gold ?
 - (3.) Whether the increased rates of Duty, as provided by the Bills that passed this House on the 6th February, have been imposed by the Customs authorities, and, if so, within what dates have they been so charged, and will any portion of such Duties be now refunded ?
2. MR. T. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When the papers referred to in the motion passed by this House on the 29th ultimo, relative to the conduct of Mr. Keightley, late Clerk of Petty Sessions and Land Agent at Tamworth, respecting the sale of certain lands to Robinson and Macpherson, will be laid upon the Table ?
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether the Pilot Board have not lately communicated to him their opinion, that the appointment of an additional Pilot at Port Jackson, at present, is not required ?

THURSDAY, MARCH 7.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS (*in the absence of the CHIEF SECRETARY*),—When the Government intend to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act ?

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill ; third reading.
4. Church and School Lands Bill ; third reading.
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the liability of Mining Partnerships.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY MARCH, 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Further Return to Order, in reference to School Statistics, made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Plunkett, on the 24th November, 1858.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Roads in Macdonald River District:—Mr. Piddington presented a Petition from a considerable number of Inhabitants of the District of Macdonald River, in the Counties of Northumberland and Hunter, representing that their operations and welfare are much impeded by the want of proper Roads in the District, and the bad state of those which are now in existence; and praying relief.
Petition received.
3. Postponements :—
 - (1.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
 - (2.) Mr. Robertson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after midnight :—

THURSDAY, 7 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty minutes before Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; second reading.
3. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill; third reading.
4. Church and School Lands Bill; third reading.
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

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5. MR. LOVE to move, That the Petition presented by him, from Anderson and Campbell, be printed.
6. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 6th March, from the Macdonald River, be printed.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the liability of Mining Partnerships.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
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3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion, That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time,—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
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2. MR. PARKES to move,—
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 7 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
The Chinese:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of Sydney, representing that the Chinese have been repeatedly subject, in this Colony, to the grossest violence and outrage, as therein particularized; and praying that such measures may be taken as will secure protection to their persons and property.
Petition received.

2. Light House near Jervis Bay:—Captain Moriarty moved, with the concurrence of the House, without notice, That the Report of the Commissioners appointed by the Governments of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, and Tasmania, to confer upon the subject of Light Houses in the several Australian Colonies, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Commissioners, severally laid upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 25th November and 18th December, 1856, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting in reference to the erection of the Light House, near Jervis Bay.
Question put and passed.

3. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—Captain Moriarty moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House near Jervis Bay, and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable John Lamb, Captain, R.N., in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said member to attend accordingly, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—The Order of the Day (No. 1) for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill having been read,—
Mr. Arnold moved, (before the Speaker had left the Chair) That the further consideration of this Bill in Committee be postponed until the Order of the Day No. 5 shall have been disposed of.
And no objection being offered to this course,—
Question put and passed.

5. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day, Nos. 2, 3, and 4, postponed on motion of Mr. Arnold, to follow consecutively the Order No. 1 as postponed.

6. Pitt-street Tramway Bill (Order No. 5) on the motion of Mr. Arnold, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Arnold then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for the construction of a Tramroad from the Redfern Railway Terminus to the Semi-Circular Quay.*"
Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Arnold moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for the construction of a Tramroad from the Redfern Railway Terminus to the Semi-Circular Quay,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—On the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill being *again* read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration thereof.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

FRIDAY, 8 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

8. Messages:—The Speaker reported that shortly after the House had gone into Committee on the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861, the following Messages were received from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for continuance of Temporary Acts,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

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

(2.) Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal certain Imperial Enactments as to modes of Proof in certain cases,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

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

(3.) Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with Manslaughter,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

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

(4.) Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 7th March instant, requesting leave for the Honorable John Lamb, Captain, R.N., a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on "*Light House near Jervis Bay,*" the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee if he think fit.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 7 March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at Five minutes before One o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

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WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.

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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 8 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Address in reference to Unpaid Magistracy, adopted, on motion of Mr. Meston, on the 26th February last.
Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee on Unpaid Magistracy, now sitting.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Meston moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Robertson,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Flett,
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. T. Garrutt,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Allen,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Redman,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Walker,	Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Dick,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Walsh,
			} Tellers.

The numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his Vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*.
Whereupon, Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Watt, ordered to be considered in Committee this day week.

3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Gray moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Tuesday next—then to take precedence of all other Orders of the Day.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 12.	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Redman,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Raper,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Allen,			} Tellers.

4. Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Walsh then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend the Law with respect to Verdicts and Judgments in the Supreme Court.*"
Question put and passed.

Whereupon,

Whereupon, Mr. Walsh moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Law with respect to Verdicts and Judgments in the Supreme Court*," returns the same to the Legislative Council without Amendment.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 8 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

5. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Wilson moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the House was counted; and, there being only nineteen members present, exclusive of the Speaker, viz. :—Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Laycock, Mr. Leary, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Markham, Mr. Mate, Mr. Morrice, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Raper, Mr. Redman, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Terry, Mr. Weekes, and Mr. Wilson,—the Speaker adjourned the House at twenty-six minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the liability of Mining Partnerships.
2. MR. EGAN to move, That the Petition of Mr. James Boyle, Master Mariner, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 4th of May, 1860, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances, for their consideration and report.
3. MR. SHEPHERD to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the claims, if any, of the Reverend W. B. Clarke for the services rendered by that Gentleman in developing the great mineral resources of this Colony.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Mate, Mr. Smart, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Suttor, Mr. Walker, and Mr. O'Brien.
4. MR. TERRY to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law regulating Public Ferries.
5. MR. MATE to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the careless use of fires.
6. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds, towards making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
7. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for 1861, a sum of money, not exceeding Twelve Hundred Pounds, to be presented to the Rev. W. B. Clarke, as a recognition of the great and valuable services rendered by that gentleman towards developing the great mineral resources of Australia.
8. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.
9. MR. LOVE to move, That the Petition presented by him, from Anderson and Campbell, be printed.
10. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 6th March, from the Macdonald River, be printed.

ORDERS

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Lucas' motion,—That the Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill be "now" read a second time.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; second reading.
4. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion,—That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time,—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
4. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

Question:—

1. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If it is the intention of the Government to establish a Gold Escort between Bathurst and the Lambing Flat Gold Fields; if not, why not?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES *to move*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN *to move*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.
2. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
3. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all Plans, Estimates, and Surveys in their possession relative to said Extensions.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 12 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Railway Obstruction to Gaol and Court House Reserve, in the Town of Maitland :—
Mr. Dickson presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of the Township of Maitland and its vicinity, representing that the Railway Line, as constructed through that Town, has deprived them of reasonable access to the Reserve for Gaol and Court House; and praying relief.
Petition received.
2. Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Report from Agent for Immigration for 1859.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Unpaid Magistracy :—Mr. Meston, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without notice, That the Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed in the Session of 1856-7, on the Administration of Justice and Conduct of Official Business in Country Districts, together with the accompanying Minutes of Evidence, brought up 16th December, 1856, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting in reference to the Unpaid Magistracy.
Question put and passed.
4. Proposed payment of Members of the Legislative Assembly :—Mr. Hoskins presented a Petition from certain Residents of the Northern District, in the Territory of New South Wales, praying that a Bill may be passed, providing for the payment of all Members who may be elected to sit in the next Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,—
And the same having been read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker,—
Petition received.
5. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Directors of the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company, praying for leave to introduce a Bill to Incorporate the said Company,—
And Mr. Parkes having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and the *Clarence and Richmond Examiner*, newspapers, containing notices for four consecutive weeks, in the months of January and February, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
6. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the Liability of Mining Partnerships.
Question put and passed ;— *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
7. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Egan not making the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
8. Reverend W. B. Clarke :—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the claims, if any, of the Reverend W. B. Clarke for the services rendered by that Gentleman in developing the great mineral resources of this Colony.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Mate, Mr. Smart, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Suttor, Mr. Walker, and Mr. O'Brien.
Debate ensued.
And Mr. Hoskins requiring that the said Committee be appointed by Ballot,—
Question,—(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the claims, if any, of the Reverend W. B. Clarke for the services rendered by that gentleman in developing the great mineral resources of this Colony,—put and passed.
Whereupon the House proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be, with the Mover, the Committee duly appointed :—Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Wilson, Mr. C. Cowper, Jun., Mr. Mate, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Walker.

9. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill :—Mr. Wilson having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to limit the Liability of Mining Partnerships*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
10. Administration of Justice—Insolvent Law :—Mr. McArthur presented a Petition, signed by Samuel Thompson, Chairman, on behalf of the Members of the Sydney Trade Protection Society, representing that the Insolvent Law as at present in force in this Colony, is unsuited to the requirements of its trade and to the social advancement of its people; and praying for the passing of an Insolvency Act suited to the present requirements of the Colony.
Petition received.
11. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill :—Mr. Terry moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law regulating Public Ferries.
Question put and passed ;— *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
12. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill :—Mr. Mate moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the careless use of fires.
Question put and passed ;— *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
13. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Shepherd withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
14. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill :—Mr. Terry having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to Amend the Law Regulating Public Ferries*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
15. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Shepherd withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
16. Postponement :—Mr. Buchanan postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
17. Administration of Justice—Insolvent Law :—Mr. Love moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him, from Anderson and Campbell, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
18. Careless use of Fire Prevention Bill :—Mr. Mate, having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill for preventing the careless use of Fire*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
19. Roads in Macdonald River District :—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 6th March, from the Macdonald River, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
20. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—The adjourned Debate on Mr. Lucas' motion, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—resumed.
Question put and passed ;—
And Bill read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Lucas, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight :—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

21. Postponement :—The consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Friday next.
22. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a second time.
Mr. Parkes then moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.
And the Tellers reporting the numbers as follows :—

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 5.
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Redman,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Laycock,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
junr.,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Terry,		

And it appearing by the said Report that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the Speaker adjourned the House, at half-past Twelve o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M. this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.
5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICKSON to move, That the Petition presented by him, on the 12th March, from the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, relative to Railway obstruction, be printed.
2. MR. HOSKINS to move, That the Petition from the residents of the Northern District, in favor of Payment of Members, be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 8th March, praying for protection to the Chinese at Lambing Flat, be printed.
4. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion,—That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time,—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
3. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill ; second reading.
4. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill ; second reading.
5. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.
2. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.
3. MR. EGAN to move, That the Petition of Mr. James Boyle, Master Mariner, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 4th of May, 1860, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances, for their consideration and report.
4. MR. McARTHUR to move, That the Petition of the Trade Protection Society, relative to the Insolvent Law, presented by him on the 12th March, be printed.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.
2. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
3. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all Plans, Estimates, and Surveys in their possession relative to said Extensions.
4. MR. LUCAS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 29th of February, 1860, on the Tanners and Carriers Bill.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
5. MR. WILSON to move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Church and School Lands Bill, which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday the 8th March, be restored to the Paper for Friday week.
6. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH, 1861.

1. There being only Eleven Members present, exclusive of the Speaker,—namely, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Mate, Mr. Meston, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Wisdom,—the Speaker took the Chair and adjourned the House, at Half-past Three o'clock, until Three o'clock To-morrow.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
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5. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICKSON to move, That the Petition presented by him, on the 12th March, from the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, relative to Railway obstruction, be printed.
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3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 8th March, praying for protection to the Chinese at Lambing Flat, be printed.
4. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion,—That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time,—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
3. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; second reading.
4. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

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1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 - (4.) The value of such services to the Government.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
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 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 29th of February, 1860, on the Tanners and Carriers Bill.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
5. MR. WILSON to move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Church and School Lands Bill, which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday the 8th March, be restored to the Paper for Friday next.
6. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 14 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Gold Digger at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Su Sau Sing Dob, a Chinaman, representing that, in January last, he suffered certain aggressions, as therein set forth, from Europeans, at the Lambing Flat Diggings, including the burning of his tent, whereby he sustained a loss to the extent of £500, and praying a consideration of his case.
Petition received.
2. Postponements:—Mr. Weekes postponed, until Wednesday next, the motion standing in his own name, No. 1, and the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cowper, No. 2, on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day.
3. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported No Progress and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
4. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day for the Resumption of the adjourned debate on Mr. Cowper's motion respecting the Great Seal of the Colony, and the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means, postponed, respectively, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.
5. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
The Chairman reported Progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.
6. Assent to Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,
Administrator of the Government.

Message No. 5.

A Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions contained in the Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, and Sixtieth Sections of the Common Law Procedure Act of 1857," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 14 March, 1861.*

7. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
The Chairman reported that the following *Point of Order* had arisen in the Committee:—
A Vote consisting of several Items being under the consideration of the Committee, a motion for the omission of one of those Items was negatived; whereupon a motion was submitted for the reduction of that Item. The Chairman had stated his opinion to be against the reception of this second motion, on the ground that the Committee having decided that the Item should not be omitted, the fair presumption was that it should remain intact.
The Speaker ruled that, as no proceeding had been taken on any subsequent Item of the Vote, the motion for the reduction of the Item in question was quite in order. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Committee resumed.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

8. Messages :—The Speaker reported that, while the House was in Committee of Supply, the following Messages were received from the Legislative Council :—

(1.) Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate.*"

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(2.) Church of England Synods Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in New South Wales to Regulate the Affairs of the said Church, and to authorize the holding of Synods of the same Church in this Colony,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly, for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Douglas, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on the 2nd day of April next.

(3.) Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act for the prevention of Scab in Sheep,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Ordered, on motion of Mr Morris, that the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, be considered in Committee to-morrow.

9. Postponements :—The Orders of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861, and of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861, postponed, respectively, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.
10. Railway obstruction to Gaol and Court House Reserve, in the Town of Maitland :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Dickson, That the Petition presented by Mr. Dickson, on the 12th March, from the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, relative to Railway obstruction, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
11. Proposed Payment of Members of the Legislative Assembly :—Mr. Hoskins moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from the residents of the Northern District, in favor of Payment of Members, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
12. The Chinese :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 7th March, praying for protection to the Chinese at Lambing Flat, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight :—

FRIDAY, 15 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

13. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Weekes, at two minutes after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.
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NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
3. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; second reading.
4. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
7. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
8. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion,—That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time,—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."
9. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

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1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.
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4. MR. MCARTHUR to move, That the Petition of the Trade Protection Society, relative to the Insolvent Law, presented by him on the 12th March, be printed.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That the motion for the Consideration in Committee of Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill, which lapsed on the 13th March, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
6. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Honorable the Secretary for Works be requested to ascertain the cause of obstruction to the regular traffic on that portion of the Parramatta River from Redbank to the Commissariat Wharf, Parramatta, and to adopt immediate measures to remove such obstruction.
7. MR. EGAN to move, That leave of absence be granted, for fourteen days, to Mr. Daniel, the Honorable Member for Wellington, on urgent private business.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

Question:—

1. MR. SUTTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government have decided upon any particular position for a Lighthouse at Twofold Bay; and if so, where, and has such Lighthouse been commenced?

TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
 - (1.) The amount paid to Mr. Surveyor Flide for Salary, Forage, and Wages of his Staff during the last three years.
 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
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6. Mr. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.
7. Mr. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
8. Mr. LUCAS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A Return of all sums of money voted for and expended upon the original construction of the line of Railway between Liverpool and Campbelltown, stating separately the money expended in strengthening the original bridges before the late floods.
 - (2.) A Return shewing the money expended in repairing or altering the above line of Railway in consequence of the late floods, setting forth the various amounts paid and owing to contractors, with their respective names, as well as any other expenditure on the above account by the employees of the Railway Department, together with the estimated amounts, under their respective heads, for repairs, alterations, or additions proposed or necessary yet to be done, including those referred to in the *Gazette* of the 8th instant, page 600.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.

Question:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether there is any truth in the statement reported in the *Sydney Morning Herald* of the 14th March, to have been made very publicly in another place, that persons now perfectly sane were most cruelly locked up day by day and night by night with those who were insane in the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. Mr. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. Mr. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

ORDERS

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
 2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
 3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
 4. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

[Price, 2d.]

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 15 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Parkes moved, That the Mover and Seconder of the motion, on which leave was granted, yesterday, to introduce this Bill, prepare and bring in the same.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Parkes having *presented* this Bill, and the Certificate of the payment of Twenty-five Pounds to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony (*handed in by him on the 19th October, 1860, during the last Session of the late Parliament, when this Bill was originally introduced,*) having been produced by the Clerk,—Bill, intituled, “*A Bill to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company called the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company and for other purposes therein mentioned,*”—read a first time.
2. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill :—On motion of Mr. Blake, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
3. Impounding Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Watt, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.
4. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill, on motion of Mr. Wilson, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Wilson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again this day week.
5. Public Ferries Law Amendment Bill :—Mr. Terry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Widsom,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Shepherd,	
Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Lewis,	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. C. Cowper,		
junr.,		

6. Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company's Bill :—Mr. Hay, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 19th February last.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 on Tuesday next.
8. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Tuesday next.

9. Scab in Sheep Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Morris, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Council.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Council,—

Mr. Morris moved, That this House do now adopt the Amendments so agreed to.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Morris moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled, "*An Act for the prevention of Scab in Sheep.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

10. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill :—The adjourned Debate on Mr. Morris' motion, That the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill be "now" read a third time—upon which Mr. Hart had moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the word "now," with a view to adding at the end the words "this day six months."—resumed.

Question—that the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put and passed.

Original Question then put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.			Noes, 14.		
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. T. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Shepherd,		Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Lackey,		Mr. Hay,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Sutherland,		Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Macleay,		Mr. Raper,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Suttor,		Mr. Dalglish,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Walsh,		Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Morris,				

And Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Walsh, *passed.*

Mr. Walsh then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to authorize the Appointment of Commissioners to issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at Newcastle, Eden, and Albury.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Walsh moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner to Issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle,*" with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, including Amendments in the Title, in which Amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

COMMISSIONER AT NEWCASTLE APPOINTMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Appointment of a Commissioner to issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle,"—returned to the Legislative Council, with Message of 15 March, 1861.

CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

- Page 1, Preamble, line 2. *Before "Writs" insert "Eden and Albury."*
 " " line 5. *Omit "Port of Newcastle," insert "Ports of Newcastle and Eden and Town of Albury."*
 " clause 1, line 12. *Substitute "persons" for "person."*
 " " line 12. *After "Newcastle" insert "and Eden and the Town of Albury."*
 " " line 13. *Omit "a";—insert the letter "s" at the end of "Commissioner."*
 " " line 14. *Insert the letter "s" at the end of "Commissioner."*
 " " line 17. *Insert the letter "s" at the end of "Port."*
 " " line 17. *After "Newcastle" insert "and Eden and the Town of Albury."*
 Page 2, clause 2, line 5. *Omit "Port of Newcastle," insert "Ports and Town."*
 Title. *Substitute "Commissioners" for "a Commissioner."*
 " *Omit "the Port of."*
 " *After "Newcastle" insert "Eden and Albury."*

Examined—

ROBERT WISDOM,
Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

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11. William Henry :—The adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council,—resumed.
Motion made by Mr. Terry, and Question put and *Negatived*,—That this Debate be now adjourned until this day month.
Motion made by Mr. Hart, and Question put and *Negatived*,—That this House do now adjourn.
Debate then adjourned, on motion of Mr. Lucas, until this day week.
12. Postponements :—
(1.) Mr. J. T. Ryan postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday week.
(2.) Mr. Hoskins postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Douglas, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(3.) Mr. Wilson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Egan, No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
13. Administration of Justice—Insolvent Law :—Mr. Walsh moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. McArthur, That the Petition of the Trade Protection Society, relative to the Insolvent Law, presented by Mr. McArthur on the 12th March, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
14. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the motion for the Consideration in Committee of Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill, which lapsed on the 13th March, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
15. Postponement :—Mr. Shepherd postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
16. Leave of Absence :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Egan, That leave of absence be granted, for fourteen days, to Mr. Daniel, the Honorable Member for Wellington, on urgent private business.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twelve minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
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1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
2. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
5. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; to be considered in Committee.

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1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

Questions:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether there is any truth in the statement reported in the *Sydney Morning Herald* of the 14th March to have been made very publicly in another place, that persons now perfectly sane were most cruelly locked up day by day and night by night with those who were insane in the Lunatic Asylum at Tarban Creek?
2. MR. WATT to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—When the Papers asked for by him from the Pilot Board will be laid on the Table of this House?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 19 MARCH, 1861.

1. There being only Nineteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker,—namely, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Douglas, Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Markham, Mr. Meston, Mr. Moriarty, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Morris, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Weekes, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Wisdom ;—the Speaker took the Chair, and adjourned the House, at half-past Three o'clock, until Three o'clock to-morrow.
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NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

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1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

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2. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 ; to be considered in Committee.
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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICK to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House, shewing—
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 - (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 - (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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TUESDAY, MARCH 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

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OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Cattle Driving Act:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from certain householders, landowners, and residents of Raymond Terrace and its suburbs, representing that the Cattle Driving Act is prejudicial to the interests of their District; and praying relief.
Petition received.
2. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill:—Mr. Dick, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 26th February, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Dick then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.
3. Waggunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill:—Mr. Hay moved, That the second reading of the Waggunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.
4. Administration of Justice—District Courts:—Mr. Douglas presented the undermentioned Petitions, praying inquiry into the conduct of Mr. Justice Cary:—
(1.) From Samuel Ward, of Camden, complaining of the conduct of Mr. Justice Cary in a recent case in which the Petitioner was plaintiff, and one Alexander Brand, defendant.
(2.) From certain Residents in the District of Camden, complaining of the judicial conduct of Mr. Justice Cary, generally.
Petitions received.

5. Assent to Bills:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

(1.) Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate Law Amendment Bill:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,

Message No. 6.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relative to the Registration of Deeds affecting Real Estate,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 20 March, 1861.

(2.) Supreme Court Verdicts and Judgments Bill:—

JOHN FRAS. KEMPT,

Message No. 7.

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A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law with respect to Verdicts and Judgments in the Supreme Court,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

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6. Postponement :—Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
7. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.
Question put and passed ;— *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
8. Postponements :—
(1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's Motion respecting the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
(2.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.
(3.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 shall have been disposed of.
(4.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
9. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.
10. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments,—
Mr. Robertson moved, That this report be now adopted.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 21 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

- Question put and passed ; and Bill ordered to be read a third time on Friday next.
11. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
12. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates,*" read a first time ; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at a quarter after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.
2. MR. COWPER to move, That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of Private Business on Tuesday in each week ; and that the Sessional Order, giving precedence to Private Orders of the Day on Fridays, be rescinded.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.

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1. MR. WILSON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill this Session to abolish the duty on Gold?
2. MR. LEARY to ask THE MINISTER FOR WORKS :—
 - (1.) Have the Government recently made a reduction in the number of workmen at the Railway Goods Shed at Campbelltown?
 - (2.) Is the Government aware that, since such reduction, many complaints have been made respecting the delays and inconveniences caused to carriers and others in the delivery of goods sent to them per Railway? If so—
 - (3.) Does the Government intend to remedy these inconveniences?
3. MR. MARKHAM to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether there is any truth in a report which has got into circulation, namely, that the officer in charge of the Northern Patrol has been suspended; and if so, what are the circumstances which have led to that officer's being so suspended?
4. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has the Commissioner received instructions to prevent the European population from searching for gold on Blackguard Gully, and if so, on what authority?

FRIDAY, MARCH 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
4. Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Honorable the Secretary for Works be requested to ascertain the cause of obstruction to the regular traffic on that portion of the Parramatta River from Redbank to the Commissariat Wharf, Parramatta, and to adopt immediate measures to remove such obstruction.
2. MR. WILSON to move, That leave of absence for a fortnight be given to Mr. John Garrett, Member for Shoalhaven, absent on urgent private business.
3. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic., No. 23.
4. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition of Samuel Ward, presented by him on the 20th instant, and alleging certain acts of partiality by Mr. Justice Cary, in the administration of justice, be printed.
5. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition from the inhabitants of Camden, presented by him on the 20th instant, and referring to the administration of justice by Mr. Justice Cary, be printed.
6. MR. HOSKINS to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any and all Correspondence which has taken place between the Government and Mr. Zouch, Commandant of the Southern Patrol, and Captain McLerie, Inspector General of Police, and Mr. Cloete, Chief Commissioner of the Southern Gold Fields, subsequently to the 20th February, 1861.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; third reading.
2. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861; third reading.
3. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions :—

1. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Do the Government intend to introduce any scheme or Estimates for Railway Extensions, during the present Session, in accordance with the tenth paragraph of the late Governor General's opening speech of the present Parliament;—and if so, when?
2. MR. WINDEYER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Have the Government received from England two Russian guns, presented to the Colony as trophies of the Crimean War; if so, what has become, or what is intended to be done with the same?

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, MARCH 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27.

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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

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Table 1: Summary of Key Findings

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 21 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Watt presented a Petition from certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the District of Carcoar, praying that this Bill may pass.
Petition received.
2. Postponement:—Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until Wednesday next.
3. Relative Precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of Private Business on Tuesday in each "week"; and that the Sessional Order, giving precedence to Private Orders of the Day on Fridays, be rescinded.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Lucas moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "week."
Debate continued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and Negatived.
Whereupon Question put,—That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of Private Business on Tuesday in each week.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Luckey,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. C. Cowper,	Capt. Moriarty,
Junr.,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Morris,

} Tellers.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Hay,
Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,
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Mr. Dick,

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4. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Love presented a Petition signed "G. Harris, Chairman," and purporting to be from the congregation of the Scots Church in Pitt-street, Sydney, in public meeting assembled, against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
5. Proposed Adjournment:—Mr. Macleay moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
6. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 22 MARCH, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported Progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

7. Acknowledgment of Vote of Thanks by Edward Hamilton, Esq. :—The Speaker reported that he had received by the "Northam's" mail this day a letter from Edward Hamilton, Esq., of London, in acknowledgment of the Vote of Thanks accorded to him by the Legislative Assembly on the 6th November, 1860, during the last Session of the late Parliament, for the valuable assistance rendered by Mr. Hamilton to this Colony with reference to Steam Postal Communication between the Australian Colonies and England, which letter Mr. Speaker read at length to the House as follows :—

5, Cannon-street, London, E. C.,

HONORABLE SIR,

18 January, 1861.

By direction of His Excellency the Governor General, the Colonial Secretary of New South Wales has forwarded to me a copy of the Vote of the Honorable House of Assembly, by which it was unanimously resolved, on the 6th November, 1860, that the Thanks of that House be given to me, for the assistance which I had rendered with reference to the Steam Postal Arrangement between the Australian Colonies and England.

I respectfully beg that you will accept my grateful acknowledgments for this distinguished compliment, and that you will on my behalf assure the Honorable Members of the House that I am fully sensible of the marked honor which they have been pleased to confer upon me. It is far beyond the value of my services, and I feel that I owe it solely to their generous appreciation of the motives which led me to protest against a change, which had been sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of her Majesty's Treasury, under a misapprehension of the wishes and interests of the Parliament and the people of New South Wales.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

EDWARD HAMILTON.

To the Honorable the Speaker
Of the House of Assembly,
Sydney, New South Wales.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at five minutes before One o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M. this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
4. Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill; second reading.
5. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
6. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
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 (2.) The lands, and the number of acres that have been surveyed by Mr. Flide during that time.
 (3.) The number of days that he has been so engaged in such survey.
 (4.) The value of such services to the Government.
10. MR. PARKES to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
11. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all Plans, Estimates, and Surveys in their possession relative to said Extensions.
12. MR. LUCAS to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 29th of February, 1860, on the Tanners and Carriers Bill.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
13. MR. WILSON to move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Church and School Lands Bill, which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday the 8th March, be restored to the Paper for Friday next.
14. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.
15. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
16. MR. LUCAS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of all sums of money voted for and expended upon the original construction of the line of Railway between Liverpool and Campbelltown, stating separately the money expended in strengthening the original bridges before the late floods.
 (2.) A Return shewing the money expended in repairing or altering the above line of Railway in consequence of the late floods, setting forth the various amounts paid and owing to contractors, with their respective names, as well as any other expenditure on the above account by the employeés of the Railway Department, together with the estimated amounts, under their respective heads, for repairs, alterations, or additions proposed or necessary yet to be done, including those referred to in the *Gazette* of the 8th instant, page 600.
17. MR. HART to move, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 12th day of April next.
18. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of Su San Sing Doh, presented by him on the 14th March, be printed.
19. MR. PARKES to move,—
 (1.) That the Bill to incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Allen, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Flett, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Smart, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover.
20. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.
21. MR. EGAN to move, That the Petition of Mr. James Boyle, Master Mariner, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 4th of May, 1860, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances, for their consideration and report.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; third reading.
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1. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Do the Government intend to introduce any scheme or Estimates for Railway Extensions, during the present Session, in accordance with the tenth paragraph of the late Governor General's opening speech of the present Parliament;—and if so, when?
2. MR. WINDEYER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Have the Government received from England two Russian guns, presented to the Colony as trophies of the Crimean War; if so, what has become, or what is intended to be done with the same?
3. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government have entered into any arrangement with Mr. Ledger with reference to the sale of the Alpacas?
4. MR. J. T. RYAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Who is the Lessee of the Emu Ferry, and his address?
5. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government are aware that great irregularity has taken place in payment of the salaries of the Troopers attached to the Northern Patrol, and also the Police upon the Gold Fields in the Northern Districts?
6. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has any Commission, appointing Sir John Young to the Governor Generalship of this Colony, been received; and what is the nature of such Commission?

TUESDAY, MARCH 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.
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1. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the abolition of State Aid.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WREKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 22 MARCH, 1861.

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Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—Mr. Hay presented a Petition from certain Merchants, Tradesmen, and Citizens of Sydney, against the passing of this Bill; and praying that any Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill which may be entertained may be deprived of all class legislation of an oppressive or prohibitory character, and be framed upon principles of justice, to the mutual benefit of the Chinese and the Inhabitants of these Colonies.
Petition received.
2. Unpaid Magistracy:—Mr. Meston, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, appointed on the 12th February last, to inquire into the Working of the Unpaid Magistracy in the Administration of Justice, especially in the remote Districts of this Colony, and the necessity of appointing Police Magistrates where required in addition.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on the 12th February last.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Parkes then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day week.
Question put and passed.
4. Impounding Bill of 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 at a later hour this day.
5. Assumption of the Administration of the Government by the Right Honorable Sir John Young:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—
JOHN YOUNG, *Message No. 1.*
Administrator of the Government.
Sir John Young has the honor of informing the Legislative Assembly that, in virtue of a Commission from the Queen which bears date Windsor, 18th January, 1861, authorising him to Administer the Government of New South Wales, He has assumed the Government of the Colony under the title of Administrator, pending the arrival, which may be expected by next Mail, of a Commission under the Great Seal, conveying his formal appointment as Captain General and Governor-in-Chief.
Government House,
Sydney, 22nd March, 1861.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cowper, to be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
6. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Despatch from the Duke of Newcastle, dated 19th January, 1861, with accompanying Commission, authorizing His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir John Young, K.C.B., G.C.M.G., to Administer the Government of New South Wales, under the title of Administrator.
Ordered to be printed.

7. **Impounding Bill of 1861** :—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

SATURDAY, 23 MARCH, 1861. A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

8. **Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill** :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
Question proposed, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
Motion made by Mr. Wilson, and Question put,—That the Question be amended by the addition of the words “to take precedence of all other business on that day, after the Government Business shall have been disposed of.”
The House divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. G. Cowper,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Junr.,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Wilson.	
Mr. Morrice,		

Noes, 18.

Mr. Hay,	Mr. Parkes,	} Tellers.
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Suttor,	
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Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Windeyer,	

Whereupon Original Question put and passed.

9. **Proposed Adjournment** :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
10. **Postponement** :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council, postponed, on motion of Mr. Lucas, until Tuesday next.
11. **Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill**, on motion of Mr. Hay, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Hay, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill, without amendment, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
12. **Postponement** :—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Mate, until Tuesday next.
13. **Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill** :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 this day fortnight.
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16. **Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill** :—On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the Consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments ;—
Ordered, that the adoption of the Report stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at Ten minutes before Four o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Assumption of the Administration of the Government by the Right Honorable Sir John Young; consideration of His Excellency's Message No. 1.
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 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
18. **MR. CUMMINGS** to move,—
 (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all Plans, Estimates, and Surveys in their possession relative to said Extensions.
19. **MR. LUCAS** to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 29th of February, 1860, on the Tanners and Carriers Bill.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
20. **MR. WILSON** to move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Church and School Lands Bill, which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday the 8th March, be restored to the Paper for Friday next.
21. **MR. BUCHANAN** to move for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.
22. **MR. SHEPHERD** to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
23. **MR. LUCAS** to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of all sums of money voted for and expended upon the original construction of the line of Railway between Liverpool and Campbelltown, stating separately the money expended in strengthening the original bridges before the late floods.
 (2.) A Return shewing the money expended in repairing or altering the above line of Railway in consequence of the late floods, setting forth the various amounts paid and owing to contractors, with their respective names, as well as any other expenditure on the above account by the employees of the Railway Department, together with the estimated amounts, under their respective heads, for repairs, alterations, or additions proposed or necessary yet to be done, including those referred to in the *Gazette* of the 8th instant, page 600.
24. **MR. HART** to move, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 12th day of April next.
25. **MR. PARKES** to move, That the Petition of Su San Sing Doh, presented by him on the 14th March, be printed.
26. **MR. PARKES** to move,—
 (1.) That the Bill to incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Allen, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Flett, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Smart, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover.
27. **MR. DOUGLAS** to move, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.
28. **MR. EGAN** to move, That the Petition of Mr. James Boyle, Master Mariner, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 4th of May, 1860, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances, for their consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; second reading.
2. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
4. Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill; third reading.
5. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
6. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill reported; Adoption of Report.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861*.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the abolition of State Aid.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEARY to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of any and all Correspondence which have taken place between the Department of Works and any individuals or individual, respecting the delivery of Goods at Campbelltown from the 1st of January to the 23rd day of March, 1861.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 26 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Return to Order, in reference to Vessels entering Port Jackson, made by this House, on motion of Mr. Watt, on the 1st February, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Kissing Point Common:—Mr. Shepherd presented a Petition from Edward Drinkwater, of Kissing Point, in the Colony of New South Wales, representing that he believes it is proposed to recommend the mortgage and ultimate sale of the Common Lands of the District, of which he is a Trustee, for the purpose of defraying the expense of certain proposed Roads and Bridges to cross the Parramatta River and Iron Cove, and praying that no appropriation of such lands may be sanctioned, at variance with the intention as expressed in the original Grant.
Petition received.
3. Papers:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 - (1.) Australian Museum. (Report of the Trustees, for the year ending 31 December, 1860.)
 - (2.) Steam Postal Service. (Further Paper respecting.) (*Being a letter from Mr. Edward Hamilton, dated 26 January, 1861.*)Ordered to be printed.
4. Proposed Steam Ferry at Raymond Terrace:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition originating in a Resolution passed at a Public Meeting at Raymond Terrace, and signed by a large number of persons, praying for the establishment of a Steam Ferry at that place.
Petition received.
5. Proposed Adjournment:—Mr. Hoskins moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
6. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty,—

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

7. Assumption of the Administration of the Government by the Right Honorable Sir John Young:—Mr. Cowper moved, That His Excellency's Message, No. 1, be read.
Question put and passed,—
And Message, (as recorded in the Votes and Proceedings of the present Session, No. 42, entry 5,) read at length, by the Clerk, accordingly.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the following Address in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message, as read, be now adopted by this House:—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable SIR JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Administrator of the Government of New South Wales and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

WE, the Members of the Legislative Assembly, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Message announcing that you have assumed the Government of the Colony as Administrator, pending the arrival of a Commission conveying your formal appointment as Captain General and Governor-in-Chief.

We

We respectfully offer our cordial congratulations to Your Excellency upon your assumption of the Government of New South Wales, and we are gratified to find that Her Majesty's choice should have fallen upon Your Excellency whose distinguished career affords the fullest assurance of Your being eminently qualified for the successful performance of the duties of the high office now conferred upon you.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Cowper then intimated to the House that he had ascertained that His Excellency would be pleased to receive their Address at a quarter past Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

8. System of Tendering for Runs:—Mr. Rusden, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee to whom this subject was referred on the 5th February last.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Robertson, read a third time, and *passed*.

Mr. Robertson then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for Regulating the Alienation of Crown Lands.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for regulating the Alienation of Crown Lands,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27 March, 1861, A. M.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

10. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Robertson, read a third time, and *passed*.

Mr. Robertson then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for Regulating the Occupation of the Crown Lands.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act for regulating the Occupation of the Crown Lands,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council, for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27 March, 1861, A. M.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

11. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.

12. Bridge over the Nepean River on the Great Western Line:—Mr. J. T. Ryan moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

13. Postponement:—Mr. Wilson postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

14. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Caldwell moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Love, That the Petition presented by Mr. Love from the congregation of the Scots Church, Pitt-street, Sydney, against the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

15. Motions withdrawn:—Mr. Wilson withdrew the motions standing in his name, Nos. 4 and 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

16. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—Mr. Hay moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd March from certain Merchants and others of Sydney in reference to the Chinese Immigration Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

17. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Meston, No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until a later hour this day.

(2.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Shepherd, No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

18. Leave of Absence :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence for a fortnight be given to Mr. John Garrett, Member for Shoalhaven, absent on urgent private business.
Question put and passed.
19. Postponement :—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, No. 10 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until a later hour this day.
20. Administration of Justice—District Courts :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notices standing respectively in the name of Mr. Douglas :—
(1.) That the Petition of Samuel Ward, presented by Mr. Douglas on the 20th instant, and alleging certain acts of partiality by Mr. Justice Cary, in the administration of justice, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) That the Petition from the inhabitants of Camden, presented by Mr. Douglas on the 20th instant, and referring to the administration of justice by Mr. Justice Cary, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
21. Correspondence—Southern Gold Fields :—Mr. Hoskins moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any and all Correspondence which has taken place between the Government and Mr. Zouch, Commandant of the Southern Patrol, and Captain McLerie, Inspector General of Police, and Mr. Cloete, Chief Commissioner of the Southern Gold Fields, subsequently to the 20th February, 1861.
Question put and passed.
22. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Watt moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on 21st March from certain Inhabitants of Carcoar, in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
23. Cattle Driving Act :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, That the Petition presented by Mr. Windeyer on Wednesday, from the Inhabitants of Raymond Terrace, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
24. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Dick not making the motion standing in his name, No. 16 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
25. Postponement :—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 17 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
26. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Cummings not making the motion standing in his name, No. 18 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
27. Tanners and Curriers Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 29th of February, 1860, on the Tanners and Curriers Bill.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Egan, Mr. Love, Mr. Flett, Mr. Driver, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
28. Church and School Lands Bill :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Church and School Lands Bill, which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday the 8th March, be restored to the Paper for Friday week.
Question put and passed.
29. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to limit the power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace, from inflicting a longer term of punishment than six months imprisonment.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Haworth,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Dalglough,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Redman,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Lucas,		

Noes, 7.

Mr. Hay,	} Tellers.
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Leary,	
Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Morris,	

Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

(2.) Mr. Buchanan having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "A Bill to limit the Power of Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.

30. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Shepherd, No. 22 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
31. Railway between Liverpool and Campbelltown:—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A Return of all sums of money voted for and expended upon the original construction of the line of Railway between Liverpool and Campbelltown, stating separately the money expended in strengthening the original bridges before the late floods.
- (2.) A Return shewing the money expended in repairing or altering the above line of Railway in consequence of the late floods, setting forth the various amounts paid and owing to contractors, with their respective names, as well as any other expenditure on the above account by the employeés of the Railway Department, together with the estimated amounts, under their respective heads, for repairs, alterations, or additions proposed or necessary yet to be done, including those referred to in the *Gazette* of the 8th instant, page 600.
- Question put and passed.
32. Postponement:—Mr. Piddington postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Hart, No. 24 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.
33. Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Gold Digger at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the Petition of Su San Ling Doh, presented by him on the 14th March, be printed.
- Question put and passed.
- Ordered to be printed.
34. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice,—
- (1.) That the Bill to incorporate the Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Allen, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Flett, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Smart, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover.
- Question put and passed.
35. Postponement:—Mr. Wilson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Douglas, No. 27 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
36. Mr. James Boyle:—Captain Moriarty moved, pursuant to notice, standing in the name of Mr. Egan, That the Petition of Mr. James Boyle, Master Mariner, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 4th of May, 1860, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances, for their consideration and report.
- Question put and passed.
37. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Morris, until a later hour this day.
38. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 at a later period of the day.
39. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion, That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council, postponed, on motion of Mr. Caldwell, until Tuesday next.
40. Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill, on motion of Mr. Hay, read a third time, and passed.
- Mr. Hay then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the 'Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company' and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah and to take Toll thereat and for other purposes.*"
- Question put and passed.
- Whereupon Mr. Hay moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—
- MR. PRESIDENT,**
- The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the 'Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company,' and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah and to take Toll thereat and for other purposes,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
- Legislative Assembly Chamber,*
Sydney, 27 March, 1861, A.M.
- Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
41. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Mate, until Thursday next.
42. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill reported:—On motion of Mr. Parkes, Report adopted.
- Ordered, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

43. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until half-past Two o'clock, P.M. this day, for the purpose of proceeding to Government House, there, at a quarter past Three o'clock, to present to the Administrator of the Government their Address in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message No. 1.
- Question put and passed.
- The House adjourned accordingly, at twelve minutes before Three o'clock, A.M., until half-past Two o'clock, P.M., this day.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27.

MEMO.—The House to meet at half-past Two o'clock, P.M., this day, to proceed to Government House, and there, at a quarter-past Three o'clock, P.M., to present to the Administrator of the Government their Address in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message No. 1.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
4. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
5. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the abolition of State Aid.
2. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Petition relative to the establishment of a Ferry at Raymond Terrace, presented by him on the 26th March, be printed.
3. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition from Edward Drinkwater, relative to the Kissing Point Common, presented by him on the 26th March, be printed.
4. MR. MESTON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent, if possible, the introduction of the disease called Pleuro-Pneumonia into the Colony of New South Wales.
5. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic., No. 23.
6. MR. HART to move, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 12th day of April next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; second reading.
3. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; third reading.

Question—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If the depositions asked for by him some time ago, in reference to the case of the two men imprisoned for one year for camping with the blacks, have come to hand?

THURSDAY, MARCH 28.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, MARCH 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEARY to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of any and all Correspondence which have taken place between the Department of Works and any individuals or individual, respecting the delivery of Goods at Campbelltown from the 1st of January to the 23rd day of March, 1861.
2. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of Mr. Justice Wise in sentencing the Rev. W. Chaucer to one year's imprisonment.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lesley, Mr. Neston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, and the mover.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILSON to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Honorable the Secretary for Works be requested to ascertain the cause of obstruction to the regular traffic on that portion of the Parramatta River from Redbank to the Commissariat Wharf, Parramatta, and to adopt immediate measures to remove such obstruction.
3. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
4. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
5. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.
2. Bridge over the Nepean River on the Great Western Line; consideration in Committee of an Address for the sum of £22,000 for the construction of.
3. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Church and School Lands Bill; third reading.
4. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Vacant Seat:—The Speaker having reported that he had just received a letter from James Byrnes, Esquire, (dated yesterday,) resigning his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of Parramatta;—
Mr. Cowper moved, That the Seat of James Byrnes, Esquire, as a Member for the Electoral District of Parramatta, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of the resignation thereof by the said James Byrnes, Esquire.
Question put and passed.
2. Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill (*Report and Evidence from Select Committee*):—Mr. Hay moved, that the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

In reference to a Bill, intituled "*An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the 'Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company' and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah and to take Toll thereat and for other purposes,*" transmitted by a Message, dated this day, to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, the Legislative Assembly herewith communicates a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, its Select Committee thereon.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27 March, 1861.*

Speaker.

- Question put and passed.
3. Papers:—Mr. Arnold laid upon the Table letters from the Officers in charge at Glebe Island, testifying to the general orderly state of the Island and the Abattoirs.
Ordered to be printed.
 4. Address to the Administrator of the Government, the Right Honorable Sir John Young:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the House proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Administrator of the Government, the Right Honorable Sir John Young, their Address in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message, No. 1;—

And, being returned, the Speaker reported, That the Assembly had been to Government House, and had there presented to the Administrator of the Government, the Right Honorable Sir John Young, their Address in acknowledgment of His Excellency's Message No. 1, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make thereto the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

Your Address, expressing a ready acquiescence in the choice which Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to make of a Governor of this Colony, affords evidence of the loyalty of your sentiments, and of those which pervade the great community which you represent.

In entering, as I do with the liveliest interest, upon the sphere of duty which the Constitution assigns me in the Administration of your affairs, I only hope the experience acquired in my past official service, to which you are pleased to refer in such flattering terms, may be found useful in my present position. That position—I rejoice to think—is cast in a land where Free Institutions have already taken root.

I pray you to accept my warmest thanks for your congratulations. I receive and value them as the expression of your favorable opinion, as well as an augury of that kind assistance and generous interpretation which I shall endeavour to merit and count upon receiving at all hands.

JOHN YOUNG.

*Government House,
Sydney, 27 March, 1861.*

5. Papers:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 (1.) Return (in continuation of the Return laid before the Legislative Assembly, on 18th October, 1860) showing the estimated number of Electors entitled to Vote in the several Gold Fields Electoral Districts for 1861.
 (2.) Return to Address, in reference to Distribution of Relief to Sufferers by last Flood at Windsor, adopted, on motion of Mr. Driver, on the 29th January, 1861.
 Ordered to be printed
6. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Walker presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England in Windsor and the neighborhood, praying that the House will pass this Bill.
 Petition received.
7. Paper:—Mr. Arnold laid upon the Table, Report of Further Experiments conducted at the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, to determine the strength and elasticity of Colonial Timbers.
 Ordered to be printed.
8. Confectioners' License:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the New South Wales Alliance for the Suppression of Intemperance and for the Social Moral and Intellectual Elevation of the People, deprecating the necessity for the retailers of Ginger and Spruce Beer obtaining a License for that purpose, and praying that the License alluded to, called "Confectioners' License," may be no longer required by law.
 Petition received
9. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Laycock presented the undermentioned Petitions, praying, respectively, that this Bill may pass:—
 (1.) From certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, resident in the Parish of Prospect and the District of the Seven Hills, in the County of Cumberland.
 (2.) From certain Members of the Church of England residing at Castle Hill and Baulkham Hills.
 (3.) From certain Members of the Church of England, residing at Dooral.
 Petitions received.
10. Postponements:—
 (1.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on Mr. Cowper's motion, relative to the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Tuesday next.
 (2.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
 (3.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
11. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
 The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.
12. Assent to Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read.
- JOHN YOUNG, *Message No. 2.*
Administrator of the Government.
- A Bill intituled "*An Act for the prevention of Scab in Sheep,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.
- Government House,*
Sydney, 27 March, 1861.
13. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Cowper the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

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

14. Church of England Synods Bill (*Report and Evidence from Select Committee*):—The Speaker reported that while the House was in Committee of Supply, the following Message was received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

In reference to the Legislative Council's Message of the 14th instant, transmitting to the Legislative Assembly the Private Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in New South Wales to regulate the affairs of the said Church, and to authorize the holding of Synods of the same Church in this Colony,*" the Council now communicates to the Assembly a copy of the Report from, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee to whom it referred the said Bill in the Session of 1859-60.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 27th March, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

15. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Watt,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Hay,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Windyler,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Leary,		
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Walker,	Mr. T. Garrett,		
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Redman,		
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Terry,		

} Tellers.

The House adjourned accordingly at twenty-five minutes after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(*On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861,*)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
3. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
4. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 27th March instant, relative to the Church of England Synods Bill, from certain Members of the Church of England, at Windsor and neighbourhood, be printed.
2. MR. IRVING to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, the sum of £200, as a pension to Lady Mitchell, widow of the late Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General of New South Wales, in consideration of the eminent services rendered by him to the Colony in his official capacity.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from the New South Wales Alliance for the Suppression of Intemperance, relative to "Confectioners' License," presented by him on the 27th instant, be printed.
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5. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill for the abolition of State Aid.
6. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Petition relative to the establishment of a Ferry at Raymond Terrace, presented by him on the 26th March, be printed.
7. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition from Edward Drinkwater, relative to the Kissing Point Common, presented by him on the 26th March, be printed.

8. MR. MESTON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent, if possible, the introduction of the disease called Pleuro-Pneumonia into the Colony of New South Wales.
9. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic., No. 23.
10. MR. HART to move, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 12th day of April next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
2. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; second reading.
4. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; third reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. TERRY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government are prepared to expend the money voted by a previous Parliament for the repairs on Cherry Tree Hill, on the Mudgee Road, this winter, as the road is in an impassable and dangerous state?
2. MR. LEWIS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the Government bring in a Bill for the better Regulation and Ventilation of Coal Mines in the Colony of New South Wales?
3. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Do the Government intend, during the present Session, to introduce any Scheme or Estimates for Railway Extensions, in accordance with the tenth paragraph of the late Governor General's Opening Speech of the present Parliament;—and, if so, when?

FRIDAY, MARCH 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEARY to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of any and all Correspondence which have taken place between the Department of Works and any individuals or individual, respecting the delivery of Goods at Campbelltown from the 1st of January to the 23rd day of March, 1861.
2. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of Mr. Justice Wise in sentencing the Rev. W. Chaucer to one year's imprisonment.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lesley, Mr. Meston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, and the mover.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILSON to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Honorable the Secretary for Works be requested to ascertain the cause of obstruction to the regular traffic on that portion of the Parramatta River from Redbank to the Commissariat Wharf, Parramatta, and to adopt immediate measures to remove such obstruction.
3. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.

4. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
5. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.
6. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill ; second reading.
2. Bridge over the Nepean River on the Great Western Line ; consideration in Committee of an Address for the sum of £22,000 for the construction of.
3. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

Questions :—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If a ten-feet culvert is now being constructed in Harris's Creek ?
 - (2.) Of what material or materials is that culvert being constructed ?
 - (3.) Was Mr. Rhodes prevented from using similar material for that work as the present contractor is using in its construction ?
2. MR. EGAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he is aware that there are a number of camels, the property of the Government, in the Colony ; and if so, what number, and in whose charge they now are ?
3. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government has selected a site for a Public Cemetery ?
4. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether he has received the expected Plan of a Bridge over the Yass River, at Hume's Crossing Place, made on a less costly scale than a former plan for the same work ; and, if so, how soon he will call for tenders for the erection of that bridge ?
 - (2.) If not received, whether he will direct Mr. Collett, the Engineer in charge of Roads and Bridges in the Yass and adjoining districts to forward a plan as desired to him without delay, that tenders may be called for the erection thereof ?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.

Question :—

1. MR. HAWORTH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any of the Tenders for the improvement of Wollongong Harbour, which were called for on the 5th. last month, have been, or are likely to be, accepted ; and if the Government decline accepting any of the tenders, what steps do they intend to take for carrying out the works ?

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
3. Church and School Lands Bill ; third reading.
4. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill ; second reading.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by a valid receipt or invoice. This ensures transparency and allows for easy verification of the data.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 28 MARCH, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Vacant Seat:—The Speaker having reported that he had received a letter from the Honorable John Robertson, Esquire (dated this day) resigning his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of the Upper Hunter;—
Mr. Cowper moved, That the seat of the Honorable John Robertson, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of the Upper Hunter, hath become and is now vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said Honorable John Robertson, Esquire.
Question put and passed.
2. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table a Schedule shewing the "Estimated Distribution of the Volunteer Vote."
Ordered to be printed.
3. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861:—The Speaker reported that the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act*," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th March, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow week.

4. Messages:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

(1.) Additional Supplementary Estimate for 1860:—

JOHN YOUNG,

*Administrator of the Government.**Message No. 3.*

In compliance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Administrator of the Government submits for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly an additional Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the year 1860.

*Government House,
Sydney, 28 March, 1861.*

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Weekes, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of Supply.

(2.) Proposed Salary of Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates:—

JOHN YOUNG,

*Administrator of the Government.**Message No. 4.*

In accordance with the provision contained in the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Administrator of the Government recommends to the Legislative Assembly the appropriation of a sum not exceeding £1,200, for the salary of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

*Government House,
Sydney, 28 March, 1861.*

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cowper, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole on the Insolvency Commissioners Bill of 1861.

5. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Joseph Wilson, of the City of Sydney, Master Mariner, praying that the House will pass this Bill,—

And the same having been read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker,—
Petition received.

6. Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861 :—

(1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the warehousing of goods for the security of Duties of Customs.

Question put and passed ;— *Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

(2.) Mr. Weekes having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, “ *A Bill to authorize the appointment and approval of places for the Warehousing of Goods subject to Duties of Customs and Excise in certain Inland Towns and to provide for the safe conveyance of such Goods and the payment of the Duties thereon,*” read a first time ; *Ordered* to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

7. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Tuesday next.

8. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, “ That ” the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lucas moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word “ That,” with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, “ the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.”

Debate continued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Irving,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Leary,		

Noes, 21.

Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Flett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Buchanan,		

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

Whereupon, Question,—That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next,—put and passed.

9. Supply :—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

10. Adjournment :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Wisdom,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Love,	*Mr. Flett,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lackey,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Morris,		

Noes, 18.

Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Markham,	} Tellers.
Mr. Cummings,	*Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Shepherd,		
Mr. Meston,		

* So in Tellers' lists.

The House adjourned accordingly, at eighteen minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. MORRIS to move,—(On the Order of the Day being read for considering in Committee the Legislative Council Bill of 1861.)—That it be an instruction to the Committee to alter the Clauses of the Bill, so as to secure the election of Members of the Legislative Council by a system of double election.

GOVERNMENT

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7. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Petition of E. J. H. Knapp, relative to a claim to a Grant of Land, ordered by the Legislative Assembly to be printed on the 4th June, 1858, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
8. MR. WALKER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 27th March instant, relative to the Church of England Synods Bill, from certain Members of the Church of England, at Windsor and neighbourhood, be printed.
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15. MR. MESTON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent, if possible, the introduction of the disease called Pleuro-Pneumonia into the Colony of New South Wales.
16. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic., No. 23.
17. MR. HART to move, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 12th day of April next.

18. MR. LEARY to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of any and all Correspondence which has taken place between the Department of Works and any individuals or individual, respecting the delivery of Goods at Campbelltown from the 1st of January to the 23rd day of March, 1861.
19. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of Mr. Justice Wico in sentencing the Rev. W. Chaucer to one year's imprisonment.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lesley, Mr. Meston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, and the mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill ; second reading.
2. Bridge over the Nepean River on the Great Western Line ; consideration in Committee of an Address for the sum of £22,000 for the construction of.
3. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
4. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill ; second reading.
5. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
6. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill ; second reading.
7. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
8. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill ; third reading.
9. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
10. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If a ten-feet culvert is now being constructed in Harris's Creek ?
 - (2.) Of what material or materials is that culvert being constructed ?
 - (3.) Was Mr. Rhodes prevented from using similar material for that work as the present contractor is using in its construction ?
2. MR. EGAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he is aware that there are a number of camels, the property of the Government, in the Colony ; and if so, what number, and in whose charge they now are ?
3. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government has selected a site for a Public Cemetery ?
4. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether he has received the expected Plan of a Bridge over the Yass River, at Hume's Crossing Place, made on a less costly scale than a former plan for the same work ; and, if so, how soon he will call for tenders for the erection of that bridge ?
 - (2.) If not received, whether he will direct Mr. Collett, the Engineer in charge of Roads and Bridges in the Yass and adjoining districts to forward a plan as desired to him without delay, that tenders may be called for the erection thereof ?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.

Question :—

1. MR. HAVORTH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any of the Tenders for the improvement of Wollongong Harbour, which were called for on the 5th last month, have been, or are likely to be, accepted ; and if the Government decline accepting any of the tenders, what steps do they intend to take for carrying out the works ?

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
3. Church and School Lands Bill ; third reading.
4. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill ; second reading.
5. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861 ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to Consolidate and Amend the laws relating to the Licensing of Public Houses, 13 Victoria, 1849, and the Licensed Public House Act of 1853.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, APRIL 9.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER to move; That this House will, on Tuesday the 16th April, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 2 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Return to Address in reference to Additional or Sixth Pilot for Port Jackson, adopted, on motion of Mr. Watt, on the 1st February, 1861.
2. Member Sworn:—John Nagel Ryan, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Lachlan.
3. Church of England Synods Bill:—The following Petitions relative to this Bill were presented by the Members respectively named:—
In favor of the passing of the Bill:—
 - (1.) By Mr. Leary,—From certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the District of Campbelltown.
 - (2.) By Mr. Douglas,—From certain Members of the Church of England resident in Goulburn and the neighbourhood.
 - (3.) By Mr. Douglas,—From certain Members of the Church of England resident in the District of Penrith.
 - (4.) By Mr. Watt,—From certain Inhabitants of the District of the Lachlan.
 - (5.) By Mr. Lackey,—From certain Members of the Church of England residing at Parramatta.
Against the passing of the Bill.
 - (6.) By Mr. Leary,—From the Minister and certain Elders and Deacons of the Scots Church, Pitt-street, Sydney.
 - (7.) By Mr. Wilson,—From certain Members of the Churches of England and Scotland, Wesleyans, Congregationalists, &c., in Sydney.
 - (8.) By Mr. Dickson,—From the Members of the Congregational Church, and other inhabitants of Newtown.
 - (9.) By Mr. Parkes,—From the Members of the Church and Congregation meeting for Divine Worship in the Baptist Chapel, Bathurst-street, Sydney.
Petitions received.
4. Postponements:—
 - (1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion relative to the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day-week.
 - (2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
 - (3.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Thursday next.
5. Legislative Council Bill of 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

WEDNESDAY, 3 APRIL, 1861, A. M.

The Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

6. Proposed Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.
Debate ensued.

Question

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Buchanan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Morrice,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Raper,		
Mr. Egan,		
Mr. Redman,		
Mr. Leary,		
Mr. Suttor,		
Mr. Piddington,		

Noes, 27.

Mr. Watt,	Mr. T. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Wisdom,		

7. Supply :—Mr. Weekes moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Wisdom,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Redman,	
Mr. O'Brien,		
Mr. Morrice,		
Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Egan,		
Capt. Moriarty,		
Mr. Raper,		
Mr. Hoskins,		
Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Suttor,		
Mr. Buchanan,		
Mr. Atkinson,		
Mr. J. T. Ryan,		

Noes, 30.

Mr. Watt,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Morris,	

8. Postponement—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until a later hour this day.

9. Export Duty on Gold :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Walker moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday next.

Debate ensued.

Question for the proposed adjournment of the Debate until Friday next, put and passed.

10. Obstruction of Traffic on Parramatta River :—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That the Honorable the Secretary for Works be requested to ascertain the cause of obstruction to the regular traffic on that portion of the Parramatta River from Redbank to the Commissariat Wharf, Parramatta, and to adopt immediate measures to remove such obstruction.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Hoskins moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put for the proposed adjournment of the Debate until Friday next.

The House divided.

Ayes, 7.

Mr. O'Brien,	} Tellers.
Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Redman,	
Mr. Sutherland,	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Buchanan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Walker,		

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

11. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees' Bill :—Mr. Windeyer, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on the 19th February last.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr.

Mr. Windeyer then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.

12. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill:—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report the Bill was referred on the 27th March last.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Parkes then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
Question put and passed.
13. Postponement:—Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until a later hour this day.
14. Proposed Public Wharf at Manly Beach:—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not more than £1,000 towards building a Public Wharf at Manly Beach.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
15. Instruction to Library Committee—Interchange of Acts and Statutes with other Colonial Legislatures:—Mr. Douglas moved, pursuant to notice, That it be an Instruction to the Library Committee to place themselves in communication with the proper authorities in the Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, the British territory in North America, and in South Africa, with a view to obtain an interchange of Acts and Statutes passed by the respective Legislatures of the same.
Question put and passed.
16. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Cummings postponed the motion standing in his name No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until a later hour this day.
(2.) Mr. Windeyer postponed the motion standing in his name No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
17. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Walker moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 27th March last, relative to the Church of England Synods Bill, from certain Members of the Church of England, at Windsor and neighbourhood, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
18. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell:—Mr. Irving moved, pursuant to amended notice, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, the sum of £200, as a pension to Lady Mitchell, widow of the late Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General of New South Wales, in consideration of the eminent services rendered by him to the Colony in his official capacity.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Egan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hay,	
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Irving,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Gray,		

Noes, 17.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Arnold,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Sutherland,		

The numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his Vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*.

19. Confectioners' License:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from the New South Wales Alliance for the Suppression of Intemperance, relative to "Confectioners' License," presented by him on the 27th March, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
20. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Laycock moved, pursuant to notice, That the three Petitions presented by him from certain Members of the Church of England, residing respectively at Prospect,—Castle Hill and Baulkham Hills,—and Dooral, relative to the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

1. Proposed State Aid Abolition Bill:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill for the abolition of State Aid.

Mr. Terry moved the Previous Question.

Debate ensued.

Motion made by Mr. Rotton, and question put and negatived,—That this House do now adjourn.

Previous Question put,—That this question be now put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Gray,
Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Buchanan, } Tellers.
Mr. Wilson, }

Noes, 23.

Mr. Cowper, Mr. Redman,
Mr. Weekes, Mr. Douglas,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Hay,
Mr. Cummings, Mr. Hart,
Mr. Terry, Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Meston, Mr. Allen,
Mr. Morris, Mr. Irving,
Mr. Shepherd, Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Mate, Mr. Egan, } Tellers.
Mr. Walker, Mr. Dick,
Mr. Watt,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Wisdom,

22. Proposed Steam Ferry at Raymond Terrace:—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, That the Petition relative to the establishment of a Ferry at Raymond Terrace, presented by Mr. Windeyer on the 26th March, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
23. Kissing Point Common:—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Edward Drinkwater, relative to the Kissing Point Common, presented by him on the 26th March, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
24. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861:—Mr. Meston moved, pursuant to amended notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent, if possible, the introduction of the disease called Pleuro-Pneumonia or other diseases incident to Cattle, into the Colony of New South Wales.
Question put and passed;—Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
25. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act, 16 Vic., No. 23.
Question put and passed;—Ordered, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
26. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861:—Mr. Meston having presented this Bill, Bill intituled “A Bill to regulate the Importation of Cattle, for the purpose of preventing the Introduction of Contagious or Infectious Disorders,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday next.
27. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, “A Bill to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic., No. 23,” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
28. Proposed Call of the House:—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be a Call of the House on Friday, the 26th day of April instant.
Question put and negatived.
29. Delivery of Goods at Campbelltown:—Mr. Leary moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of any and all Correspondence which has taken place between the Department of Works and any individuals or individual, respecting the delivery of Goods at Campbelltown from the 1st of January to the 23rd day of March, 1861.
Question put and passed.
30. Postponement:—Mr. Buchanan postponed the motion standing in his name No. 19 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
31. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Douglas moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for “Friday week.”
Mr. T. Garrett moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words “Friday week,” with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “this day six Months.”
Debate ensued.
Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.
Original Question put and passed.
32. Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line:—Mr. J. T. Ryan moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of an Address for the sum of £22,000 for the construction of this bridge.
Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.		Noes, 2.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. O'Brien,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Redman,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Dick,	

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Committee reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861 a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the Nepean River, on the Great Western Line.

Mr. J. T. Ryan then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

33. Postponements:—

(1.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion respecting William Henry postponed, on motion of Mr. Dalgleish, until Friday next.

(2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Careless use of Fire Prevention Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Mate, until Friday next.

34. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—Mr. Lucas moved, previous to the Order of the Day being read, That the further consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

Motion made by Mr. Terry, and Question put,—That the Question be amended by the addition of the words "to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for "that day."

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 9.
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Dick,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Redman,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Allen,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. T. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Wilson,	

Whereupon, Question,—That the further consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the day for Friday next, to take precedence of all other business on the Paper for that day,—put and passed.

35. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill:—Mr. Dick moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Motion made by Mr. Dalgleish, and Question put and negatived,—That this House do now adjourn.

Original Question then put and passed.

And Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Dick, ordered to be considered in Committee on Tuesday next

36. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 at a later hour this day.

37. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, "That" this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Morris moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," in order to the insertion in their place of the words "the Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill be discharged, with a view "to the re-committal of the Bill."

Debate ensued.

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

Question,

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

Question,—That the Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill be discharged, with a view to the re-committal of the Bill,—put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be now re-committed, with a view to the amendment of the Preamble.

Motion made by Mr. Terry, and Question put,—That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock P.M., this day.

The House divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. T. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Hannell,		
Mr. Lewis,		
Mr. Egan,		
Mr. Atkinson,		
Mr. J. T. Ryan,		

Noes, 15.

Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Gray,	} Tellers.
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Lucas,		

Original Question stated.

Motion made by Mr. Terry,—and Question put and passed,—that the Question be amended by the addition of the words "and Clause 3."

Question then—That this Bill be now recommitted, with a view to the amendment of the Preamble and Clause 3,—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with further Amendments, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time at a later hour this day.

38. **Minni and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill**, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

39. **Adjournment**:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock P.M. "this day."

Mr. Hart moved, That the question be amended by the omission of the words "this day," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "on Thursday next."

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

Whereupon, Original Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at Six o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; second reading.
2. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be considered in Committee.
3. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
4. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LEARY** to move, That the Petition from the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Scots Church, Pitt-street, Sydney, against the Synod Bill, be printed.
2. **MR. LEARY** to move, That the Petition from the Members of the Church of England of Campbelltown, relative to the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
3. **MR. LACKEY** to move, That the Petition presented by him on Tuesday, 2nd instant, relative to the Synods Bill, be printed.
4. **MR. PARKES** to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
5. **MR. CUMMINGS** to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.

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4. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

Questions:—

1. MR. HAWORTH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether any of the Tenders for the improvement of Wollongong Harbour, which were called for on the 5th last month, have been, or are likely to be, accepted; and if the Government decline accepting any of the tenders, what steps do they intend to take for carrying out the works?
2. MR. ROTTON to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Is it the fact, as stated by The Honorable the Colonial Secretary, in Committee of Supply on Tuesday, the 26th March, that Captain Batty, the Superintendent of the Western Patrol, has been dismissed?
 - (2.) If so, on what grounds?
 - (3.) Has he been afforded an opportunity of exculpating himself?
 - (4.) When was he, or has he yet been, officially informed of his dismissal?
 - (5.) Has any other gentleman yet been appointed to the office? If so, who, and when was the appointment made?
3. MR. LOVE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the return relating to Insolvency, ordered by the House on the 23rd January last, will be laid upon the Table?
4. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If a ten-feet culvert is now being constructed in Harris' Creek?
 - (2.) Of what material or materials is that culvert being constructed?
 - (3.) Was Mr. Rhodes prevented from using similar material for that work as the present contractor is using in its construction?
5. MR. EGAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he is aware that there are a number of camels, the property of the Government, in the Colony; and if so, what number, and in whose charge they now are?

THURSDAY, APRIL 4.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
2. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. ALLEN to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What has been the actual deficiency in the ordinary Revenue of the year 1860, compared with the expenditure of that year as voted by Parliament?
 - (2.) Out of what fund has the said deficiency been made good in providing for the expenditure of the past year?
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FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
4. Church and School Lands Bill; third reading.
5. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.
6. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
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10. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
11. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to Consolidate and Amend the laws relating to the Licensing of Public Houses, 13 Victoria, 1849, and the Licensed Public House Act of 1853.

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- (1.) Return relating to Insolvencies, ordered by the Legislative Assembly on the 8th August, 1856, and laid upon the Table on the 17th December following.
 - (2.) Part Return and further Returns relating to Insolvencies, ordered by the Legislative Assembly on the 30th March, 1858, and severally laid upon the Table on the 13th July, 17th and 25th November in that year.
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- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of Mr. Justice Wise in sentencing the Rev. W. Chaucer to one year's imprisonment.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lesley, Mr. Meston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, and the mover.
- GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—
1. Mr. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields.
- Question :—
1. Mr. LUCAS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government has selected a site for a Public Cemetery?

TUESDAY, APRIL 9.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
- OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—
1. Mr. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Tuesday the 16th April, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
- ORDER OF THE DAY :—
1. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; second reading.

Questions :—

1. Mr. T. GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS),—
- (1.) When will that portion of the Braidwood Road from Nowra, Shoalhaven, to the Yellow Water Hole, (or Reserved Water Hole) be proclaimed?
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 - (4.) What roads have been recently surveyed at Good Dog, Shoalhaven; and when will they be proclaimed?
2. Mr. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is a fact, that all the members of the Roman Catholic Church in the Bathurst District qualified to serve as Special Jurors, have been omitted from that list, and if so, why?

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.
- NOTICE OF MOTION :—
1. Mr. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 3 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Want of Public Wharf at Windsor :—Mr. Walker presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Town and District of Windsor, representing that much inconvenience and loss are occasioned to the steam-boats and vessels trading to and stopping at Windsor, and to passengers and others interested, by reason of there being no proper Wharf or landing-place for passengers or goods at that place, and praying relief.
Petition received.
2. Paper :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Rules of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, dated in 1859 and 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. J. T. Ryan presented a Petition from the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland residing in the Districts of Mulgoa and Greendale, in favor of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
4. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
5. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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.
6. Inquests concerning Fires Bill :—The Speaker reported that the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

7. Privilege :—Mr. Gray moved, without notice,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain language, reflecting upon the character of this House, reported to have been used by His Honor the Chief Justice, while judicially engaged in the Supreme Court of the Colony, on Tuesday, the 2nd instant.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover.Debate ensued.
Mr. Rusden demanded that the said Committee be appointed by Ballot.
Mr. Suttor moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.
Debate ensued.

And

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight :—

THURSDAY, 4 APRIL, 1861, A. M.

Question put, for the Adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow.
The House divided.

Ayes, 4.

Mr. Watt,
Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Morris, } Tellers.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Cowper, Mr. Markham,
Mr. Arnold, Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Weckes, Mr. Lewis,
Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Love, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Parkes, Mr. Dick,
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Mr. Driver,

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And Division called for ; but, there being no Member for the Noes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*.

Whereupon the House proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following Members to be the Committee duly appointed :—Mr. Gray, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Parkes, The Speaker, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Hay, Mr. Walsh, and Mr. Piddington.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at twenty-five minutes before One o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 ; second reading.
3. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.
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7. MR. LACKY to move, That the Petition presented by him on Tuesday, 2d instant, relative to the Synods Bill, be printed.
8. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
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5. MR. LEWIS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government is aware of the miserable state of the lock-ups and the district constable's dwelling at Hexham ; if so, whether the Government intend taking any steps to improve the state of the above place ?
6. MR. DICK *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to introduce any measure to facilitate the transfer of real property ?

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Church of England Synods Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 4 APRIL, 1861.

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

Question of Order :—The Speaker drew attention to the following Point of Order, which had arisen out of the Proceeding recorded in the Votes and Proceedings of yesterday, No. 47, Entry 7, under the head "Privilege" :—

While the Ballot demanded in that case was proceeding, attention was called to the state of the House, but he had abstained from taking the prescribed steps for ascertaining the presence of a Quorum, in pursuance of that call, on the ground that the process of balloting formed a part of the Proceeding sanctioned by the Affirmation which had just been made of the Question for the appointment of the Select Committee. He now desired to submit his view of the case, as so acted on, to the review of the House.

Discussion arose.

Mr. Hay moved, "That" the point of Order brought before the House by the Speaker, with regard to his declining to count the House, on the 3rd of April, during the process of balloting for a Select Committee, be referred to the Committee of Standing Orders, for its consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Douglas 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, "Mr. Speaker's ruling in reference to the appointment by ballot, on the evening of the 3rd instant, of a Committee to investigate certain circumstances stated as a Question of Privilege, is in accordance with the opinion of the House, but that it is expedient to refer the practice of balloting with open doors to the Standing Orders Committee with a view to determine the rules in reference to it."

Debate continued.

Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original question stated.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Walker,	Mr. Rusden,	} Tellers.
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Meston,		
Mr. Morrice,		
Mr. Mate,		
Mr. Egan,		
Mr. Redman,		
Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Macleay,		
Mr. Suttor,		
Mr. Irving,		
Mr. Hay,		
Mr. Piddington,		
Mr. Laycock,		
Mr. Rotton,		
Mr. Wisdom,		
Mr. Haworth,		

Noes, 33.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Atkinson,		

2. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Wisdom presented a Petition from certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland resident on the Western Gold Fields, in favor of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
3. Privilege :—In answer to a question put to him by Mr. Hay, the Speaker stated that in his opinion the Select Committee appointed by Ballot, and referred to in the Proceeding of this day recorded in Entry 1, was properly constituted.
4. Church of England Synods Bill :—The undermentioned Petitions in favor of the passing of this Bill were presented by the Honorable Members respectively named :—
(1.) By Mr. Suttor,—From certain Members of the Church of England residing in the Town of Kelso and the adjoining Districts.
(2.) By Mr. Atkinson,—From certain Members of the Church of England residing at Pennant Hills.
Petitions received.
5. Postponements :—
(1.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until Wednesday next.
(2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 shall have been disposed of.
6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight :—

FRIDAY, 5 APRIL, 1861. A.M.

The Chairman reported the following Point of Order for the determination of the Speaker :—

A Question having been put, and the Voices given, the Chairman had declared that the "Ayes" had it,—whereupon an Honorable Member had called out "Divide," and, on division, had nevertheless voted with the "Ayes."—The Chairman, considering that the Honorable Member by calling out "Divide" had disputed his declaration, had given it as his opinion that that Member was therefore bound to vote with the "Noes;"—the correctness of which opinion had been questioned.

The Speaker sustained the opinion so reported to have been expressed by the Chairman.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Committee resumed.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

7. Postponements :—The following Orders of the Day postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until Tuesday next :—
(1.) Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861 ; second reading.
(2.) Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
(3.) Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 ; second reading.
8. Church of England Synods Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 2nd April, against the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of the Congregation of the Baptist Church, Bathurst-street, relative to the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 2nd instant, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
9. Relative Precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays—*Rescission of Sessional Order* :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Vote following,—“That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of Private Business on Tuesday in each week,”—come to by this House on the 21st of March last, be “now” rescinded.
Debate ensued.
Mr. T. Garrett moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word “now,” with a view to the addition, at the end, of the words “after Tuesday next.”
Debate continued.
Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.
Ayes, 22.
Noes, 16.

Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Irving,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Dalglish,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. T. Garrett,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Peasley,	} Tellers.	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Redman,		
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Morrice,		
Mr. Hay,	Mr. Walker,	Mr. Atkinson,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. Gray,		

Whereupon Original Question put and passed.

10. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock P.M. this day.

Question put.

The House Divided.

Ayes, 16.

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Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Morris,	

The House adjourned accordingly, at twelve minutes before Two o'clock, A. M., until Three o'clock, P. M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. MR. DICK to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Government intend to fill up the office of Solicitor General?
3. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS,—Whether, in order to avoid the recurrence of accidents of such a fatal nature as that which occurred at Newcastle on the 1st instant, the Government intend to erect fences parallel with the line of Railway between the Coal and Copper Company's staiths and Watt-street, and afford the public means of access to the wharves and waterside frontages, by means of proper crossings at the end of the principal streets of the City?

TUESDAY, APRIL 9.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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2. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; second reading.
4. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
5. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—
 - (1.) When will that portion of the Braidwood Road from Nowra, Shoalhaven, to the Yellow Water Hole, (or Reserved Water Hole) be proclaimed?
 - (2.) Is the road from Bomaderry to the head of Broughton Creek, Shoalhaven, yet surveyed? If not, when will such survey be commenced; and how long after such survey will it be before the said road is proclaimed?
 - (3.) Is the road from Nowra to Greenwell Point yet surveyed? If not, why not? If surveyed, when will it be proclaimed?
 - (4.) What roads have been recently surveyed at Good Dog, Shoalhaven; and when will they be proclaimed?
2. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is a fact, that all the members of the Roman Catholic Church in the Bathurst District qualified to serve as Special Jurors, have been omitted from that list, and if so, why?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY *to move*, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
2. MR. ALLEN *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROTTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
 - (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 5 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Smart presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England, Parishioners of St. Mark's, Alexandria, near Sydney, in the County of Cumberland, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
 2. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
 3. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
 4. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
 5. Privilege:—Mr. Gray moved, without notice,—
(1.) That the Select Committee on Privilege, appointed upon the 4th instant, have power to sit on Saturday the 6th, and Monday the 8th instant.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee "to inquire into and report upon certain language, reflecting upon the character of this House, reported to have been used by His Honor the Chief Justice, while judicially engaged in the Supreme Court of the Colony, on Tuesday, the 2nd instant," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable John Fletcher Hargrave, Esquire, Member of the Legislative Council in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend accordingly, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.
*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5 April, 1861.* Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
6. *Point of Order*—Change of day in Notice of Motion:—Mr. Rotton offering a notice for the purpose of enabling him to make, on an earlier day, a motion standing in his name on the Business Paper;—
The Speaker ruled that such a notice could not be received; as, according to the Law and Practice of Parliament, if any Member desire to change the day, after he has given his notice, he must repeat the notice for a more distant day.—Mr. Rotton then gave his notice in the manner indicated.
 7. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Colony, against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
 8. Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Gold Digger at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Mun Gaim, a Chinaman, representing that he suffered certain aggressions, as therein set forth, from Europeans at Lambing Flat, including the burning of his tent and its contents, whereby he sustained a loss to the extent of £500, and praying relief.
Petition received.

9. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Rotton presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England, resident in the District of Hartley, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
10. William Dixon:—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from William Dixon, late Time-keeper in the Locomotive Department of the Great Southern Railway, complaining of his dismissal from office under the circumstances therein set forth, and praying relief.
Petition received.
11. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported that Mr. Lucas had applied to Mr. Terry the term "Jackass." The Speaker, declaring that in his opinion the expression was highly disorderly, called upon Mr. Lucas to make any explanation which he might have to offer. Mr. Lucas thereupon admitting that he had used the expression, stated that he now wished to withdraw it, and regretted that he had used it.
The Speaker then intimating to the Honorable Member that it would be proper for him to withdraw,—Mr. Lucas withdrew accordingly.
The House deliberated.
And Mr. Lucas being recalled to his place,—
The Speaker acquainted the Honorable Member that the House had deliberated on the matter, and were willing to accept his apology for having used the expression excepted to.
Whereupon, Mr. Lucas apologized to the House.
The Committee then, on motion of Mr. Cowper, resumed.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

SATURDAY, 6 APRIL, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again on Friday next.
The Speaker, in reply to a question put to him by Mr. Rotton as to the admissibility of this Bill, with reference to certain *pecuniary* provisions therein contained, ruled that the Bill was properly before the House.
Question proposed,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Friday next.
Mr. Lucas moved, That the Question be amended by the addition of the words "to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day."
Debate ensued.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be added be there added.
The House divided.

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 9.
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Laycock,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Dalglish,	Mr. Watt,
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Question then,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Friday next, to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day,—put and passed.

12. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—The Speaker reported that, while the House was in Committee on the Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill, the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th day of April instant, requesting leave for the Honorable John Fletcher Hargrave, a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed to inquire into and report upon certain language, reflecting upon the character of the Legislative Assembly, reported to have been used by His Honor the Chief Justice, while judicially engaged in the Supreme Court, the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON.
President.

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.
14. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Friday, the 19th instant.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at half-past Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

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 - (2.) Is the road from Bomaderry to the head of Broughton Creek, Shoalhaven, yet surveyed ? If not, when will such survey be commenced ; and how long after such survey will it be before the said road is proclaimed ?

- (3.) Is the road from Nowra to Greenwell Point yet surveyed? If not, why not? If surveyed, when will it be proclaimed?
- (4.) What roads have been recently surveyed at Good Dog, Shoalhaven; and when will they be proclaimed?
2. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is a fact, that all the members of the Roman Catholic Church in the Bathurst District qualified to serve as Special Jurors, have been omitted from that list, and if so, why?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; second reading.

Question:—

1. MR. HANNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS,—Whether, in order to avoid the recurrence of accidents of such a fatal nature as that which occurred at Newcastle on the 1st instant, the Government intend to erect fences parallel with the line of Railway between the Coal and Copper Company's staiths and Watt-street, and afford the Public means of access to the wharves and waterside frontages, by means of proper crossings at the end of the principal streets of the City?

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY *to move*, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
2. MR. ALLEN *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROTTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
 - (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 9 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Privilege:—Mr. Gray, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, appointed on the 4th instant, to inquire into and report upon certain Language reflecting upon the character of this House, reported to have been used by His Honor the Chief Justice, while judicially engaged in the Supreme Court of the Colony, on Tuesday, the 2nd instant.—
Report read at length, by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker.
Ordered, That the Report and accompanying Documents be printed.
2. Field of Mars Common:—Mr. Shepherd presented a Petition from certain resident Landholders and others, having interest in this Common, representing that they believe a Petition has been presented to this House, recommending that the Government would resume and sell the Common Lands alluded to, and apply the proceeds to the formation of Roads and Bridges to connect the north side of the Parramatta River with Sydney; and praying that the House will not sanction any measure having for its object the appropriation of the said Common Lands for any other purpose than that for which they were originally intended.
Petition received.
3. Church of England Synods Bill:—The undermentioned Petitions, in favor of the passing of this Bill, were presented by the Members respectively named:—
 - (1.) By Mr. Cowper,—From certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Parishes of Narellan and Cook.
 - (2.) By Mr. Cowper,—From a certain Clergyman and Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, connected with the Church of Saint Mary, in the Parish and District of Waverley.
 - (3.) By Mr. Cowper,—From certain Members of the Church of England, in the Districts of Randwick and Coogee.
 - (4.) By Captain Moriarty,—From certain Inhabitants of the Town and District of Braidwood, including the Gold Fields.
 - (5.) By Mr. Peisley,—From certain Members of the Church of England, in the District of Orange.Petitions received.
4. Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Despatch, dated 13th January, 1861, respecting the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Postponements:—
 - (1.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Walker, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
 - (2.) Mr. Lucas postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
6. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Wisdom moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him, on 4th April, in favour of the Church of England Synods Bill, from the Western Gold Fields, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Motion dropped:—Mr. Douglas not making the motion standing in his name, No. 4 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.
8. Postponement:—Mr. Dick postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

9. Church of England Synods Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Smart, That the Petition presented by Mr. Smart from the Parish of St. Mark's, Alexandria, in favour of the Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Windeyer, That the Petition presented by Mr. Windeyer on the 5th April, against the Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Mr. Rotton moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Hartley, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 5th April, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

10. Unpaid Magistracy:—Mr. Meston moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Working of the Unpaid Magistracy, brought up and laid on the Table of this House on the 22nd of March last, be now adopted.

(2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted, by Address, to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.

Debate ensued.

Motion made by Mr. Morris and Question put, That this Debate be now adjourned until this day fortnight.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Dick,	} Tellers.
Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Wilson.	

Noes, 27.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Haworth,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Hart,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Wisdom,		

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Dick,	} Tellers.
Mr. Cummings,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Markham,		
Mr. Mate,		
Mr. Dalgleish,		
Mr. Smart,		
Mr. Wilson,		
Mr. Meston,		
Mr. Parkes,		
Mr. Rusden,		
Mr. Egan,		
Mr. Piddington,		

Noes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Love,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Hay,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Hoskins,	

11. William Dixon:—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th of April, from William Dixon, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

12. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Dickson moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 2nd April, from the Members of the Congregational Church, and other inhabitants of Newtown, against the passing of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

13. Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Gold Digger at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mun Gaim, a Chinese Gold Digger, presented by him on the 5th instant, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

14. Public House Laws Amendment Bill:—Mr. Rusden moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to Consolidate and Amend the laws relating to the Licensing of Public Houses, 13 Victoria, 1849, and the Licensed Public House Act of 1853.

Debate ensued.

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

15. Loss of Gold sent by Escort :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Samuel Robinson, representing that in consequence of neglect and carelessness on the part of certain Public Servants he lost a considerable quantity of gold left by him with Mr. Commissioner Johnson, at Stony Creek, and transmitted by that Officer under Escort to Orange; and praying consideration.
Petition received.
16. Church of England Synods Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Haworth presented a Petition from the Reverend Thomas Campbell Ewing, Incumbent of St. Michael's, Wollongong, *in favor of* the passing of this Bill.
(2.) Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of Redfern, Chippendale and neighbourhood, *against* the passing of this Bill.
Petitions received.
17. Working of the Insolvent Law :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That Copies of the following Documents be referred to the Select Committee now sitting in reference to the Working of the Insolvent Law, viz. :—
(1.) Return relating to Insolvencies, ordered by the Legislative Assembly on the 8th August, 1856, and laid upon the Table on the 17th December following.
(2.) Part Return and further Returns relating to Insolvencies, ordered by the Legislative Assembly on the 30th March, 1858, and severally laid upon the Table on the 13th July, 17th and 25th November in that year.
(3.) Petition from Mr. J. N. Beit respecting proceedings in the Insolvency Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, received by the Legislative Assembly on the 23rd December, 1858.
(4.) Petition from Messrs. Samuel Anderson and John Campbell, alleging that they had sustained certain injuries arising out of a Judgment delivered in the Supreme Court in the matter of Sempill (Official Assignee) *v.* Anderson and Campbell, and praying a consideration of their case, received by the Legislative Assembly on the 5th March last.
(5.) Petition from certain Members of the Trade Protection Society, praying for the passing of an Insolvency Act suited to the present requirements of the Colony—received by the House on the 12th March last.
Question put and passed.
18. Mr. Edward James Howes Knapp :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of E. J. H. Knapp, relative to a claim to a Grant of Land, ordered by the Legislative Assembly to be printed on the 4th June, 1858, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
Question put and passed.
19. The Rev. W. Chaucer :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of Mr. Justice Wise in sentencing the Rev. W. Chaucer to one year's imprisonment.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Lesley, Mr. Meston, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, and the mover.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.
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| Ayes, 2. | | Noes, 39. |
| Mr. Buchanan, } Tellers. | | Mr. Cowper, Mr. Peasley. |
| Mr. Lewis, } | | Mr. Weekes, Mr. Egan, |
| | | Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Cunneen, |
| | | Mr. Redman, Mr. Laycock, |
| | | Mr. Rusden, Mr. Lucas, |
| | | Mr. Mate, Mr. Terry, |
| | | Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson, |
| | | Mr. O'Brien, Mr. McArthur, |
| | | Mr. Meston, Mr. Hart, |
| | | Mr. Dalgluish, Mr. Hay, |
| | | Mr. Love, Mr. Suttor, |
| | | Mr. Driver, Mr. Smart, |
| | | Mr. Dickson, Mr. Rotton, |
| | | Mr. Piddington, Mr. Dick, |
| | | Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Allen, |
| | | Mr. Markham, Mr. Wisdom, |
| | | Mr. Leary, Mr. Parkes, |
| | | Mr. Raper, Capt. Moriarty, } Tellers. |
| | | Mr. Haworth, Mr. Windeyer, } |
| | | Mr. Sutherland, |
20. Church of England Synods Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Mate moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Watt, That the Petition presented by Mr. Watt from certain Inhabitants, Members of the Church of England, resident in the Lachlan District, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Suttor moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 4th April, from the Inhabitants of Kelso, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(3.) Mr. Laycock moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Atkinson, That the Petition presented by Mr. Atkinson on 4th April, from certain Inhabitants of Pennant Hills, in favour of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

21. Want of Public Wharf at Windsor:—Mr Piddington moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Walker, That the Petition presented by Mr. Walker on the 3rd instant, from certain Inhabitants of Windsor and District, relative to the erection of a public Wharf at Windsor, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
22. Church of England Synods Bill:—
(1.) Mr. Leary moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Scots Church, Pitt-street, Sydney, against the Synod Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Leary moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the Petition from the Members of the Church of England of Campbelltown, in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(3.) Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Lackey, That the Petition presented by Mr. Lackey, on Tuesday, 2nd instant, relative to the Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
23. Postponements:—
(1.) Mr. Parkes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 24 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(2.) Mr. Lucas postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Cummings, No. 25 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
(3.) Mr. Cowper moved, That the consideration of the Orders of the Day of Other Business, Nos. 1 to "16" inclusive, be postponed until the Order of the Day "No. 2 of Government Business" shall have been disposed of.
Mr. Meston moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the figures "16," in order to the insertion in their place of the figures "10," with a view to the omission afterwards of the words and figure "No. 2 of Government Business," in order to the insertion in their place of the words and figures "No. 11 of Other Business."
Debate ensued.
Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.
Original motion by leave withdrawn.
Mr. Meston then moved, That the Orders of the Day of Other Business, Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive, be postponed until the following Order, No. 11, shall have been disposed of.
Question put and passed.
24. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861, (*Order No. 11 of Other Business*), on motion of Mr. Meston, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Meston, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, and with the Title amended,—the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at ten minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move, That the three Petitions presented by him on the 9th April, in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and of Collieries.
3. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields.
4. MR. COWPER to move, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be appointed a member of the Standing Orders Committee.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; second reading.
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

6. Legislative Council Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
7. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; second reading.
8. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
9. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of Samuel Robinson, presented by him on the 9th instant, complaining of loss of gold while in charge of Gold Escort, be printed.
2. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th of April, against the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
3. MR. HAWORTH to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th April, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861; third reading.
2. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Church and School Lands Bill; third reading.
4. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.
5. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
6. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
7. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill; second reading.
8. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
9. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
10. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
11. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
12. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill; second reading.
13. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
14. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill; third reading.
15. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
16. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS,—Whether, in order to avoid the recurrence of accidents of such a fatal nature as that which occurred at Newcastle on the 1st instant, the Government intend to erect fences parallel with the line of Railway between the Coal and Copper Company's staiths and Watt-street, and afford the Public means of access to the wharves and waterside frontages, by means of proper crossings at the end of the principal streets of the City?
2. MR. DICKSON to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—When the Return ordered by the House on the 7th February, 1860, shewing,—
 - (1.) The way in which all sums of money voted by this House under the head of Allowances, Contingencies, Incidental Expenses, Special and Miscellaneous Services, since the introduction of Responsible Government, have been expended.
 - (2.) That such Return shall show, in detail, the manner in which each Vote under the above heads has been expended.
 - (3.) When the expenditure has been more or less than the sum voted, how the balance has been appropriated or provided.
 —will be laid upon the Table of this House?
3. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If he can give him any idea when the depositions in the case of the two men imprisoned for one year for camping with the Aborigines, will be laid upon the Table of this House?
4. MR. LEWIS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have made arrangements for a Marine Survey of the Entrance to Lake Macquarie;—
 - (2.) If so, when will such Marine Survey be made?
5. MR. LEWIS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If the Government intend to improve the condition of the Lock-up at Hexham;—
 - (2.) If so, when will such improvement be made?
6. MR. PIDDINGTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Designs for the new Houses of Parliament and Public Offices will be exhibited to the public; and, if exhibited, when, and where?

THURSDAY, APRIL 11.

Question :—

1. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether it has been ascertained about what time the Census Returns in detail will be published?
 - (2.) At about what date earlier than the publication of the complete returns, will the principal results of numbering the population, be made public?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
2. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.
3. MR. PEISLEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th instant from the Inhabitants of Orange, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.

Question:—

1. MR. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Why the land surveyed by the Government Surveyor in 1859 at the Gylmandike and Judge Creeks, near Campbell's River, was withdrawn from sale?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to offer the said land for sale; and if not, why not?

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition presented by him on 9th April, relative to the Field of Mars Common, be printed.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That the Petition from Braidwood and the District, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 9th April, be printed.
4. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that his Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount paid from the General Revenue to the Telegraph Department during the year 1860.
 - (2.) The number of Messages sent, the amount paid for each, and the office at which such payment was made.
5. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money paid for professional services rendered by any member of the legal profession since the introduction of Responsible Government.
 - (2.) The nature of the service rendered, the amount of fees paid, the date when paid, and the name of the party to whom such payment was made.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthworks upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A tabular return, shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly, in each cutting, upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil.
7. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Tuesday the 16th April, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
8. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.

9. MR. DICK to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
- (1.) The number of times Barristers, other than Crown Law Officers, have been appointed to prosecute at Circuit Criminal Courts.
 - (2.) The names of such Barristers.
 - (3.) The remuneration that has been paid to them respectively.
10. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
11. MR. PARKES to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
- (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

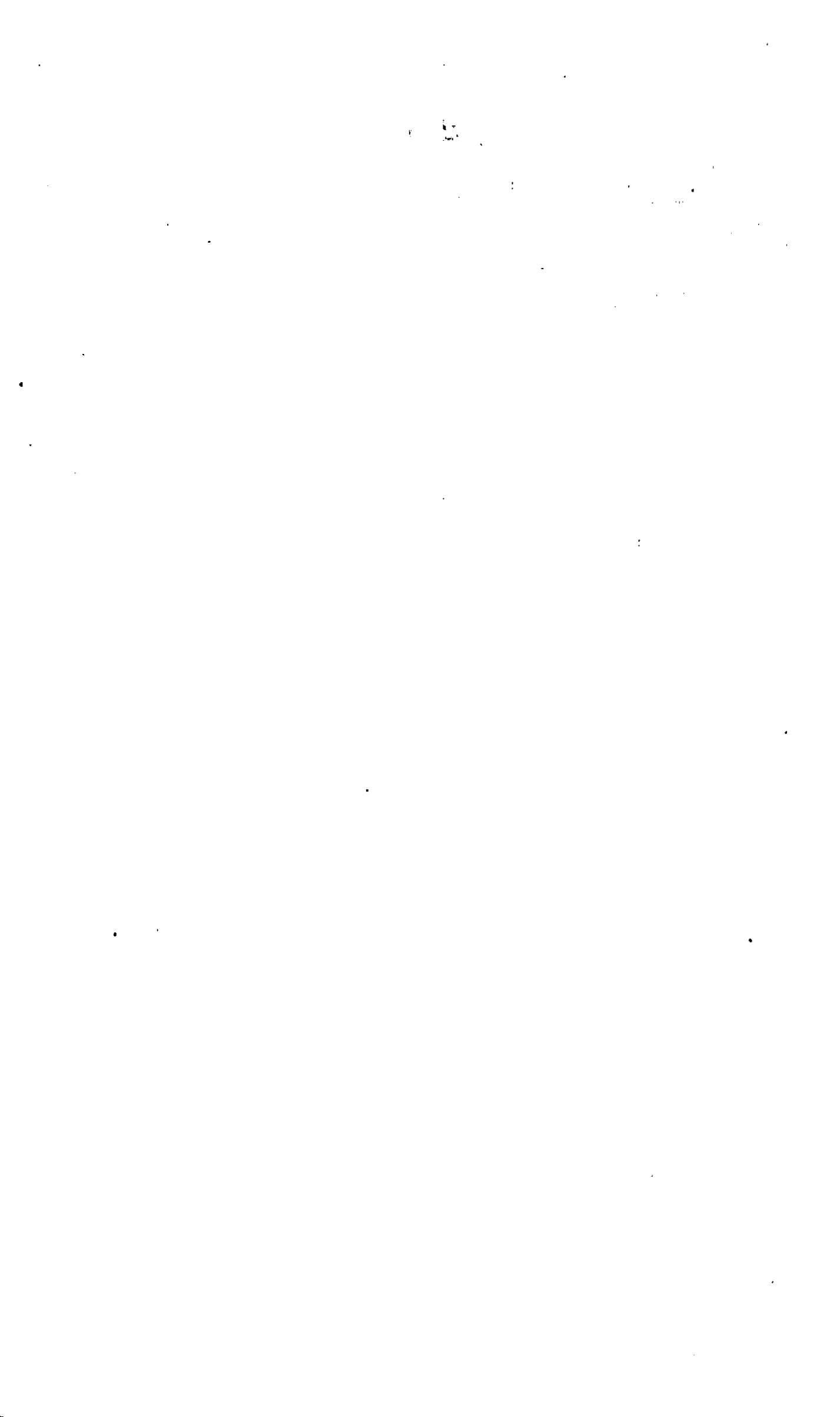
1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROTTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
 - (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 10 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Unavoidable Absence of the Speaker :—The House being informed by the Clerk that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent in consequence of severe illness,—
And the Clerk having read to the House the second section of the Standing Orders, which provides that “Whenever the House shall be informed of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, the Chairman of Committees shall take the Chair for that day only; and in the event of the Speaker’s absence continuing for more than one day, shall, if the House think fit and so order it, take the Chair in like manner on any subsequent day during such absence,”—
Mr. Wisdom, the Chairman of Committees, took the Chair of the House for to-day.
2. Paper :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Return to Address, in reference to Turner and Wood, adopted, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, on the 1st March, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Church of England Synods Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Leary presented a Petition from certain residents of Campbelltown, *against* the passing of this Bill.
(2.) Mr. Douglas presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the United Townships of Gunning and Collector, with their Suburbs, *in favor of* the passing of this Bill.
Petitions received.
4. Publicans’ Laws Amendment Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Rusden having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intitled, “A Bill to amend the Laws relating to Licensed Public Houses,” read a first time; Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That the three Petitions presented by him on the 9th April, in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Postponements :—Mr. Cowper postponed the motions standing in his name, Nos. 2 and 3 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
7. Standing Orders Committee :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be appointed a member of the Standing Orders Committee.
Question put and passed.
8. Postponements :—
(1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 shall have been disposed of.
(2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Coroners’ Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
(3.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
(4.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until to-morrow.
(5.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper’s motion relative to the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
9. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill having been read,—
And a discussion immediately arising as to the manner in which the Chair of the Committees of the Whole House should be filled in the present emergency,—
Mr. Cowper moved, That Mr. Piddington do take the Chair of the Committees of the Whole, for this day.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

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The Deputy Chairman reported the Bill with amendments, and the House, on motion of Mr. Cowper, ordered the Adoption of the Report to stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

10. Postponements:—The remaining Orders of the Day of Government Business postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until a later hour this day.

11. Loss of Gold sent by Escort:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Samuel Robinson, presented by him on the 9th instant, complaining of loss of gold while in charge of Gold Escort, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

12. Church of England Synods Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Sutherland, That the Petition presented by Mr. Sutherland, on the 9th of April, against the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Haworth, That the Petition presented by Mr. Haworth on the 9th April, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

13. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill, on motion of Mr. Meston, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Meston then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to regulate the Importation of Cattle, for the purpose of preventing the introduction 'or 'propagation' of Contagious or Infectious Disorders.*"

Mr. Morris moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words, '*or propagation,*' with a view to adding at the end, the words "*and to prevent the propagation thereof in the Colony.*"

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

Question,—That the words proposed to be added be there added,—put and passed.

Whereupon Question,—That the Title of this Bill be, "*An Act to regulate the Importation of Cattle, for the purpose of preventing the introduction of Contagious 'or Infectious Disorders and to prevent the propagation thereof in the Colony,*"—put and passed.

Mr. Meston then moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to regulate the importation of Cattle for the purpose of preventing the introduction of Contagious or Infectious Disorders and to prevent the propagation thereof in the Colony,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 11 April, 1861, A.M.

Deputy Speaker.

Question put and passed.

14. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day of Other Business, from 2 to 13 inclusive, postponed, on motion of Mr. Morris, until a later hour this day.

15. Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Parkes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson, of Land at Balmain, to sell the said Land, and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson of Land at Balmain to sell the said land and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence,

accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 11 April, 1861, A.M.

Deputy Speaker.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at ten minutes before One o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and of Collieries.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; second reading.
4. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 Reported; Adoption of Report.
5. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
6. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; second reading.
7. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
8. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move for the original depositions taken by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle, in the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer.
2. MR. LEARY to move, That the Petition of certain Residents of Campbelltown, against the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 10th April, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Church and School Lands Bill; third reading.
3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
5. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
6. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill; second reading.
7. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
8. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
9. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
10. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
11. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill; second reading.
12. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
13. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
14. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

Questions:—

1. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether it has been ascertained about what time the Census Returns in detail will be published?
 - (2.) At about what date earlier than the publication of the complete returns, will the principal results of numbering the population, be made public?
2. MR. BUCHANAN to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If it is the intention of the Government to strike the names of the Police Magistrate of Sydney, and Rowan Ronald, Esq., J.P., from the Commission of the Peace, they having, in trying the prisoner LUND, who pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery, fined him only £1?
3. MR. MESTON to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) If the Government intend to appoint any additional Magistrates for Glen Innes and Inverell Benches, there being only two sitting Magistrates at present—one for each Bench—50 miles distant?
 - (2.) If the Government intend to appoint additional Magistrates for the Tenterfield District, where very soon there will not be one sitting Magistrate for that Bench?
 - (3.) If the Government intend to administer in any way to the wants of common justice in those Districts?

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Church of England Synods Bill; second reading.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
2. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.
3. MR. PEISLEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th instant from the Inhabitants of Orange, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
4. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 10th instant, from certain inhabitants of Gunning, in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.

Questions:—

1. MR. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Why the land surveyed by the Government Surveyor in 1859 at the Gilmandyke and Judge Creeks, near Campbell's River, was withdrawn from sale?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to offer the said land for sale; and if not, why not?
2. MR. DALGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What alterations are the Government or Railway Department causing to be made to the South Creek Viaduct?
 - (2.) Was such work originally carried out in accordance with the plans furnished by Mr. Whitton's department to the Contractor?
 - (3.) Was a sum of above £2,000 signed for in certificates to enable the Contractor to get paid on account of such work done at that Viaduct?
 - (4.) Would that Viaduct have been safe, as then finished, without alteration, for the passage of locomotive engines, with goods or passenger traffic?

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition presented by him on 9th April, relative to the Field of Mars Common, be printed.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That the Petition from Braidwood and the District, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 9th April, be printed.
4. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that his Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount paid from the General Revenue to the Telegraph Department during the year 1860.
 - (2.) The number of Messages sent, the amount paid for each, and the office at which such payment was made.
5. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money paid for professional services rendered by any member of the legal profession since the introduction of Responsible Government.
 - (2.) The nature of the service rendered, the amount of fees paid, the date when paid, and the name of the party to whom such payment was made.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthworks upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A tabular return, shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly, in each cutting, upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil.
7. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Tuesday the 16th April, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.

8. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
9. MR. DICK to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
- (1.) The number of times Barristers, other than Crown Law Officers, have been appointed to prosecute at Circuit Criminal Courts.
 - (2.) The names of such Barristers.
 - (3.) The remuneration that has been paid to them respectively.
10. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
11. MR. PARKES to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
- (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
13. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence and Petitions to the Government, relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
14. MR. ATKINSON to move, That, in the opinion of this House, railways would be most economically and profitably worked, and the interest of the community best served, by the existing lines of railway being leased to private individuals or companies; and that, in order to carry out this principle, an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying His Excellency to adopt such measures as will tend to carry out this object at the earliest possible opportunity.
15. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House do now adopt an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying for the instant release of the two men, Turner and Wood, sentenced to one year's imprisonment, by the Deniliquin Bench, with hard labor, for camping with the blacks—the evidence against the Prisoners being aborigines.
- ORDER OF THE DAY :—
1. Publicans' Laws Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROTTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.

(2.)

- (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
- (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.
2. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.

Question :—

1. MR. ECKFORD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why Mr. Hargraves, junior, who was committed by the Gosford Bench to take his trial at the last Quarter Sessions held in Sydney, was not so placed upon his trial?

ROBERT WISDOM,
Deputy Speaker.

[Price, 2d.]

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 11 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Continued Unavoidable Absence of the Speaker :—The House being informed by the Clerk that Mr. Speaker continued to be unavoidably absent in consequence of illness,— And the Clerk having read to the House the second section of the Standing Orders, which provides that “ Whenever the House shall be informed of the unavoidable “ absence of the Speaker, the Chairman of Committees shall take the Chair for that “ day only ; and in the event of the Speaker’s absence continuing for more than one “ day, shall, if the House think fit and so order it, take the Chair in like manner on “ any subsequent day during such absence, ”—
Mr. Cowper moved, That Mr. Wisdom, the Chairman of Committees, do take the Chair of this House for to-day.
Question put by the Clerk, by desire of the House, and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Wisdom took the Speaker’s Chair for to-day.
2. Church of England Synods Bill :—The undermentioned Petitions in favour of this Bill were presented by the Members respectively named,—
(1.) By Mr. Cowper, from certain Members of the Church of England, resident in the Tamut District.
(2.) By Mr. Piddington, from certain Members of the Church of England, residing in Richmond and the neighbourhood.
Petitions received.
3. Member Sworn :—Arthur Todd Holroyd, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of Parramatta.
4. Postponement :—Mr. Cowper postponed the motions standing in his name, Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
5. Christopher Rispin :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Christopher Rispin, late Turnkey at Her Majesty’s Gaol at Darlinghurst, complaining of his recent alleged dismissal from office, and praying relief.
Petition received.
6. Postponements :—The Orders of the Day of Government Business, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, postponed, consecutively, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until the Order of the Day for the adoption of the Report on the Legislative Council Bill of 1861 shall have been disposed of.
7. Legislative Council Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
8. Coroner’s Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Deputy Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill,—and that Mr. Piddington do take the Chair of the Committees of the whole House for this day.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
9. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

10. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

11. Ways and Means:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The Deputy Chairman obtained leave to sit again to-morrow, and reported the following Resolutions:—

(2.) Resolved, that towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Supplementary Service of the year 1860, the sum of £56,834 19s. 8d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

(3.) Resolved, that towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1861, the sum of £3,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

(4.) Resolved, that towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1861, the sum of £279,946 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

(5.) Resolved, that towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £88,835 be raised by the sale of Debentures secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding Five per centum per annum, to defray the expense of certain Public Works.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt these Resolutions.

Question put and passed.

12. Paper:—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table Estimates of the Ways and Means of the Government of New South Wales, for the year 1861.

Ordered to be printed.

13. Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861:—Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

(*Interruption.*)

14. Assent to Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, received and read:—

JOHN YOUNG,

Administrator of the Government.

Message No. 5.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to empower Coroners to hold Inquests concerning Fires,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 11 April, 1861.

15. Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861:—The Debate on Mr. Weekes's motion, That this Bill "be" now read a second time,—interrupted by the foregoing Message,—resumed.

Mr. Allen moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "be," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report."

"(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Weekes, Mr. Mate, Mr. M'Arthur, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Hlay, Mr. Hannell, and the Mover."

Debate continued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Leary,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Baper,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Atkinson,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Caldwell,	} Tellers.
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Daniel,		

Noes, 15.

Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Rusden,	} Tellers.
Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Hay,		
Mr. Dalgleish,		
Mr. Lesley,		
Mr. Mate,		
Mr. Allen,		
Mr. Peisley,		
Mr. Stewart,		
Mr. Parkes,		
Mr. Egan,		
Mr. Sattor,		
Mr. Macleay,		

Original

Original Question then put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Hay,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Terry,	Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. Lesley,	} Tellers.
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Raper,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. Peisley,	Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. Daniel,		Mr. Egan,	

Whereupon Bill read a second time; and, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

The Deputy Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

16. Legislative Council Bill of 1861, 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 the Constitution of the Legislative Council.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to amend the Constitution of the Legislative Council,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11 April, 1861.

Deputy Speaker.

Question put and passed.

17. Supply.—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Deputy Chairman obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next, and reported the following Resolutions:—

ESTIMATES FOR 1861.

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

- (29.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,132, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Treasury Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (30.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £22,830, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Customs Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (31.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,190, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Colonial Distilleries, for the year 1861.
- (32.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,957, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, for the year 1861.
- (33.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £300, to defray the allowances to Gold Receivers, for the year 1861.
- (34.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £25,588, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Post Office Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (35.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £76,020, to defray the expense of the Conveyance of Mails, for the year 1861.
- (36.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £40,870, to defray salaries, and the cost of Stores and Stationery, for the year 1861.
- (37.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £18,500, to defray the salaries, wages, and contingencies of the Printing, Postage Stamps, and Book-binding Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (38.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £436, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gunpowder Magazine Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (39.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £580, to defray the salaries of Health Officers, for the year 1861.
- (40.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £718, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Quarantine Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (41.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,149, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishments of the Shipping Masters, for the year 1861.
- (42.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £22,680, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Harbors, Lighthouses, and Pilot Department, for the year 1861; being £2,752 for Board and Harbor Masters; £4,681 for Lighthouses; £7,909 for Sea and River Pilots; £6,076 for Boatmen; and £1,262 for contingencies.
- (43.)

(43.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,253, to defray Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1861; being £3,223 for Postage of the various Public Departments; £1,500 for the transmission of Telegraphic Messages; £30 for Provisions to be left on Booby Island, for the relief of shipwrecked persons; £1,000 for erecting an experimental Quartz Crushing Machine at the Royal Mint; £2,000 to meet unforeseen expenses, to be hereafter accounted for; and £1,500 to meet the expenses of carrying on the Coast Survey northward of Port Stephens.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(44.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,650, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Lands, for the year 1861.

(45.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £62,341, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment for the Survey of Lands, for the year 1861.

(46.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,065, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment for the Occupation of Lands, for the year 1861.

(47.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,250, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gold Fields Establishments, for the year 1861.

(48.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,500, as a Gold Contingent to meet unforeseen expenses, in cases of emergency, for the year 1861.

(49.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,060, to defray the salaries and contingencies for the Management of Alpacas, for the year 1861.

(50.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £655, to defray the expenses of the Establishment of the Examiner of Coal Fields, for the year 1861.

(51.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,473, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Botanic Gardens Establishment, Sydney, for the year 1861.

(52.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,323, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Government Domains and Hyde Park, for the year 1861.

(53.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £62,175, to defray the expenses of Internal Communication, for the year 1861, being £655 for salaries and travelling expenses of Superintendent and Overseer at Kiandra Gold Fields; £60,680 for the construction and maintenance of Roads, other than Main Roads; and £840 for Ferries.

(54.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £400, to defray Medicines and Medical Attendance on the Aborigines, for the year 1861.

NO. VIII.—AUDITOR GENERAL.

(55.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,322, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of the Auditor General, for the year 1861.

I.—SCHEDULES.

(56.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1861, a sum not exceeding £2,538 1s. 11d., to defray Pensions not provided for by Schedule (B) to Schedule (No. 1) of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 54, being inclusive of £733 6s. 8d., as follows, that is to say,—£200 to Lady Amelia S. Forbes, Widow of Sir Francis Forbes, formerly Chief Justice; £200 to Lady Harriett Dowling, Widow of Sir James Dowling, late Chief Justice; £100 to Mrs. Anne Kinchela, Widow of the late Mr. Justice Kinchela; £100 to Mrs. Anne Petrie, Daughter of the late Captain Flinders, R.N.; and £133 6s. 8d. to Mr. Edward Robert Stack, late Master of the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney.

II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(57.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,448, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Governor General's Establishment, for the year 1861.

(58.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,069, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Executive Council Establishment, for the year 1861.

(59.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,875, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Legislative Council Establishment, for the year 1861.

(60.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,040 13s. 4d., to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Legislative Assembly Establishment, for the year 1861.

(61.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,165, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Joint Establishment of the Legislative Council and Assembly, for the year 1861.

(62.)

III.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

- (62.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,604, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Chief Secretary's Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (63.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,075, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Registrar General's Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (64.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £25,000, for the support of National Schools, and Incidental Expenses of the Board, including the Allowances to the Teachers, for the year 1861.
- (65.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £25,000, for the support of Denominational Schools, and Incidental Expenses of the Board, including the Allowances to the Teachers, for the year 1861.
- (66.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,578, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Protestant Orphan School, for the year 1861.
- (67.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,444, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Roman Catholic Orphan School, for the year 1861.
- (68.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,039, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Judicial Department of the Sydney Police, for the year 1861, being £2,799 for the Central Police Office Establishment; and £1,240 for the Department of Water Police.
- (69.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £28,600, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Executive Department of the Sydney Police for the year 1861, being £22,305 for the Inspector General and Metropolitan Police; £2,855 for the Water Police; and £3,440 for the Horse Patrol.
- (70.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £20,405, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Judicial Department of Police in Country Districts, for the year 1861, being £6,430 for Police Magistrates; £2,925 for Police Magistrates acting as Clerks of Petty Sessions; and £11,050 for Clerks of Petty Sessions.
- (71.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £45,894, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Executive Department of Police in Country Districts, for the year 1861, being £4,725 for First Class Chief Constables; £4,200 for Second Class Chief Constables; £6,726 for District Constables, and £30,243 for Ordinary Constables.
- (72.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,579, to defray the salaries of Detective Police throughout the Colony, for the year 1861.
- (73.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,449, to defray the general contingencies of the Departments of Police in Country Districts, for the year 1861, being £2,029 for the Judicial, and £11,420 for the Executive Department.
- (74.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £44,103, to defray the salaries and contingencies of Horse Patrol and Gold Police, for the year 1861.
- (75.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,000, as a Gold Contingent for the year 1861, to meet Unforeseen Expenses in cases of emergency at the Gold Fields.
- (76.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,050, in the year 1861, for the general service of the Police, to meet claims for length of service and good conduct.
- (77.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £713, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Native Police, for the year 1861.
- (78.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,207, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Sydney Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (79.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,064, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Parramatta Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (80.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,885, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Bathurst Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (81.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,632, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Maitland Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (82.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,701, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Goulburn Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (83.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,629, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Berrima Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (84.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £110, to defray salary of turnkey at Yass Gaol, for the year 1861.

- (85.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £230, to defray salaries of the Wollongong Gaol Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (86.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £110, to defray salary of turnkey at Albury Gaol, for the year 1861.
- (87.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £110, to defray salary of turnkey at Gundagai Gaol, for the year 1861.
- (88.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £600, to defray salaries for Gaols in Country Districts, for the year 1861.
- (89.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,250, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Penal Establishment at Cockatoo Island, for the year 1861.
- (90.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,260, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Observatory Establishment, for the year 1861.
- (91.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £44, to defray the salary of the Clerk to the Medical Board, for the year 1861.
- (92.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,477, to defray the expenses of the Vaccine Institution, for the year 1861.
- (93.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,213, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Lunatic Asylum at Tarhan, for the year 1861.
- (94.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,311, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Lunatic Asylum at Parramatta, for the year 1861.
- (95.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,000, to defray the Naval Allowance, for the year 1861.
- (96.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,540, to defray the Military Allowance, for the year 1861.
- (97.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,644, to defray the expense of the Royal Artillery, for the year 1861.
- (98.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,000, to meet the expense of Volunteer Corps, for the year 1861.
- (99.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £30,239, to defray Charitable Allowances, for the year 1861, being £2,300 for the support of Paupers in the Colonial Hospitals; £1,727 in aid of the Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscriptions; £10,712 in support of the Establishment of the Benevolent Society, Sydney, on condition of £1,000 being raised by private subscriptions; £700 for the support of Infants removed from the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney, to the Asylum for Destitute Children at Randwick; £2,000 in aid of the Asylum for Destitute Children at Randwick, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscriptions; £8,000 towards the completion of the Asylum for Destitute Children at Randwick (Resolution of Assembly); £1,400 in aid of the Hospitals, Windsor, Newcastle, Wagga Wagga, Port Macquarie, Yass, Armidale and New England, and Sofala, at £200 each, on condition of sums to an equal amount being raised by private subscriptions; £600 in aid of the Hospital, Maitland, on same condition; £900 in aid of the Hospitals, Parramatta, Bathurst, and Goulburn, at £300 each, on same condition; £100 in aid of the Hospital at Mudgee, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital at Braidwood, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Port Stephens, on same condition; £100 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Parramatta, on same condition; £100 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Singleton and Patrick's Plains, on same condition; £150 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Tamworth, on same condition; £200 in aid of the erection of an Hospital at Carcoar, on same condition; £350 in aid of the erection of an Hospital at Adelong, on same condition; and £500 in aid of the erection of a Benevolent Asylum at Bathurst, on same condition.
- (100.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,550, as grants in aid of Public Institutions, for the year 1861, being £200 in aid of the Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts; £200 to supplement the present Annual Endowment of £1,000 to the Australian Museum; £700 salary of Curator of Australian Museum; £200 in aid of the School of Arts at St. Leonard's, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscription; £100 in aid of the Goulburn School of Arts, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscription, until a Building be erected; £100 in aid of the Bathurst School of Arts, on same condition, until a Building be erected; £100 in aid of the Albury School of Arts, on same condition, until a Building be erected; £100 in aid of the Waverley School of Arts, on same condition, until a Building be erected; £300 in aid of the erection of the Armidale Mechanics' Institute, on same condition; £450 in aid of the erection of the Mechanics' Institute at Wagga Wagga, on same condition; and £100 in aid of the Literary Institute, Braidwood, on same condition.
- (101.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £24,900, to defray Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1861, being £10,000 for Municipal Council, Sydney, in aid of the City Funds; £4,800 for Expenses attending the preparation of the Electoral Lists; £100 for erecting Pounds, and Allowances to Poundkeepers; and £10,000 to meet the expense of taking the Census.

No. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

- (102.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,627, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Law Officers of the Crown, for the year 1861.
- (103.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,487, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishments of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, for the year 1861.
- (104.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,657, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Sheriff, for the year 1861.
- (105.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £590, to defray the salaries of the Establishment of the Insolvent Court, for the year 1861.
- (106.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £20,821, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the District Courts Establishments, for the year 1861, being £5,806 for the Metropolitan, Cumberland, and Camden Districts; £1,980 for the Southern District; £2,040 for the South Western District; £1,920 for the Western District; £1,850 for the Northern District; £2,250 for the Hunter River District; and £4,975 for contingencies.
- (107.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,464, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Quarter Sessions Establishments, for the year 1861.
- (108.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,824, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Coroners' Establishments, for the year 1861.
- (109.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £290, to defray the expenses of the Court of Claims, for the year 1861.

No. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

- (110.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,000, to defray the expense of additions to Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek, for the year 1861.

TO BE PROVIDED FOR BY LOAN.

- (111.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1861, to be provided for by Loan, a sum not exceeding £10,000, to defray the expense of enlarging the Australian Museum.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR 1860.

No. III.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

- (112.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £50, to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Protestant Orphan School (further sum), for the year 1860.
- (113.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £930, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Police General Service, for the years 1859 and 1860.
- (114.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £39 13s., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Parramatta Gaol, for the year 1860.
- (115.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £66 11s. 9d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Maitland Gaol, for the year 1860.
- (116.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4 2s. 6d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Tamworth Gaol, for the year 1860.
- (117.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,860 15s., to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Penal Establishment, Cockatoo Island, for the year 1860.
- (118.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £846 16s. 11d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Lunatic Asylum, Tarban, for the year 1860.
- (119.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £589 11s. 11d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Lunatic Asylum, Parramatta, for the year 1860.
- (120.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £49 7s. 2d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Military Allowances, for the year 1860.
- (121.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,376 19s. 8d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Charitable Allowances, for the year 1860, being £1,026 19s. 8d. for support of Paupers in Colonial Hospitals, (further sum); £200 for the erection of an Hospital at Kiandra; and £150 further in aid of the Hospital at Braidwood, an equal amount having been raised by private subscription.

No. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

- (122.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £210 11s. 4d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Law Officers of the Crown, for the year 1860, being £62 15s. expenses of the Police Magistrate at Deniliquin, as a Witness in the case *M'Gregor v. Kelly and Others*; and £147 16s. 4d. Law Expenses, including amount of Verdict found for Plaintiff, in the case "*Robertson vs. Lenehan.*"

(123.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £700, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Supreme and Circuit Courts, for the year 1860.

(124.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £400, to defray the Supplementary Charge for District Courts (further sum), for the year 1860.

(125.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,100, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Quarter Sessions, for the year 1860.

(126.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £700, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Coroners, being deficiency in amount voted for 1859 and 1860.

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

(127.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13, to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Treasury Department, for the year 1860.

(128.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £287 14s. 11d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint, for the year 1860, being £22 17s. 6d. allowance in lieu of clothing to 1 Sergeant and 4 Constables, at 3d. per diem; and £264 17s. 5d. deficiency in amount voted for contingencies.

(129.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,350, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Printing, Postage Stamps, and Bookbinding, for the year 1860, being £1,000 deficiency in amount voted for wages and contingencies; and £350 for the purchase of a new Steam Engine and Boiler.

(130.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £140, to defray the Supplementary Charge for the Steam Navigation and Pilot Board (a further sum), for the year 1860.

(131.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,558 1s. 5d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1860, being £1,685 12s. 1d. interest on Moneys deposited in the Treasury under the 18th Section of the Savings' Bank Act of 1853, 17 Vic., 24, from 1 September, 1859, to 31 December, 1860; and £872 9s. 4d. for the relief of Sufferers by the recent Floods at Windsor, further sum.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(132.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,000, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Internal Communication (further sum), for the year 1860.

(133.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £430 13s. 4d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1860, being £127 4s. compensation to Mr. William Sutherland for loss sustained by him, in consequence of Deeds of Grant for certain Land at Minto being twice issued; £61 5s. allowance to Mr. C. F. Gorton, formerly a Clerk in the Survey Office; £220 allowance to Gold Commissioner Buchanan, for Quarters erected at his private expense; and £22 4s. 4d. balance of Pension to Mr. John Thompson, late Deputy Surveyor General.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(134.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £106, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Travelling Expenses for the Colonial Architect, for the year 1860.

(135.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,525 1s. 11d., to defray the Supplementary Charge for Public Works and Buildings for the year 1860, being £2,000 Contribution in aid of the erection of the Light-house at King's Island; £8 for placing Moorings in the Harbour of Bellambi, (further sum); £26 13s. 4d. for lighting the Government Lamps in the streets of Sydney, (further sum); £16 for the erection of two Pillars and Lamps on Circular Quay; £300 for the erection of a Steam Crane at Newcastle, (further sum); £750 for the erection of a Post Office, Kiandra; £150 for the purchase of a Triple-action Engine-pump, for raising water at the Victoria Barracks, &c.; £750 for the erection of Light-house and Pilot Station, Twofold Bay; £250 Lanthorn and apparatus; £150 fencing Cemetery at Parramatta, (further sum); £50 for the erection of a Post Office in connection with the Electric Telegraph Office, West Maitland, (further sum); £8 1s. 4d. for the erection of a Court House at Albury, (further sum); £11 18s. for the erection of a Court House at Gundagai, (further sum); £8 11s. for the erection of a Watch House at Nelligen, (further sum); £4 18s. 3d. for the erection of a Watch House at Cowra, (further sum); £50 for the erection of a Watch House at Tenterfield, (further sum); £60 for the erection of a Watch House at Howlong, (further sum); £800 additions to Abattoirs, Glebe Island; £610 additions and repairs to Military Buildings; and £521 additions and repairs to Legislative Buildings.

(136.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £20, to defray the Supplementary Charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1860, being additional to cover funeral expenses and small bills of the late Mrs. De Courcy.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt these Resolutions.
Question put and passed.

18. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill. The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments,—
Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this Report be now adopted.
Mr. Holroyd moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the Bill be re-committed, in order to the re-consideration of Clause 2."
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 the place of the words omitted be there inserted,—put and passed.
Question,—That the Bill be re-committed, in order to the re-consideration of Clause 2,—put and passed.
Whereupon the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
The Deputy Chairman reported the Bill with further amendments.
Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this report be now adopted.
Mr. Holroyd moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "the Bill be re-committed in order to the further consideration of Clause 2."
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 the place of the words omitted, be there inserted,—put and passed.
Question,—That the Bill be re-committed in order to the further consideration of Clause 2,—put and passed.
Whereupon the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with further amendments, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
19. Messages :—The Speaker reported that the following Messages had been received from the Legislative Council :—
(1.) Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act 1857' as relates to Broad Wheels,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council Chamber, W. W. BURTON,
Sydney, 11 April, 1861. President.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Rotton, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
(2.) Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act for the construction of a Tramroad from the Redfern Railway to Terminus to the Semi-circular Quay*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council Chamber, W. W. BURTON,
Sydney, 11 April, 1861. President.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cowper, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
20. The Rev. W. Chaucer :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the original depositions taken by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle, in the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
21. Hosking's Trust Bill :—Mr. Windeyer, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred, on the 19th February last.
Ordered to be printed.
Mr. Windeyer then moved, That the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the day for Tuesday next.
Question put and passed.

22. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Laycock moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Leary, That the Petition of certain Residents of Campbelltown, against the Synods Bill, presented by Mr. Leary on the 10th April, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
23. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill :—On motion of Mr. Dick, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
24. Church and School Lands Bill, on motion of Mr. Wilson, read a third time and passed.
Mr. Wilson then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to remove any doubts that may exist as to the Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Wilson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to remove any doubts that may exist as to the Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11 April, 1861. Deputy Speaker.
Question put and passed.
25. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Magistrates Powers Limitation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, until Tuesday next.
26. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with an amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
27. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Lesley, until to-morrow week.
28. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at seven minutes before Twelve o'clock, until to-morrow at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Church of England Synods Bill ; second reading.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
5. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill ; third reading.
6. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
7. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
8. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill ; second reading.
9. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell ; consideration in Committee of Address for.
10. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill ; second reading.
11. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
12. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
13. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
2. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.
3. MR. PEISLEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th instant from the Inhabitants of Orange, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
4. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 10th instant, from certain inhabitants of Gunning, in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.
5. MR. ROTTON to move, That leave of absence be granted to the Reverend Dr. Lang, a Member for West Sydney, for the remainder of the present Session.
6. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 11th instant, from the Inhabitants of Richmond, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and of Collieries.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; third reading.
2. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; third reading.
3. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; third reading.
4. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
5. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; third reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. DRIVER to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Why the land surveyed by the Government Surveyor in 1859 at the Gilmandyke and Judge Creeks, near Campbell's River, was withdrawn from sale?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to offer the said land for sale; and if not, why not?
2. MR. DANGLEISH to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What alterations are the Government or Railway Department causing to be made to the South Creek Viaduct?
 - (2.) Was such work originally carried out in accordance with the plans furnished by Mr. Whitton's department to the Contractor?
 - (3.) Was a sum of above £2,000 signed for in certificates to enable the Contractor to get paid on account of such work done at that Viaduct?
 - (4.) Would that Viaduct have been safe, as then finished, without alteration, for the passage of locomotive engines, with goods or passenger traffic?
3. MR. LAYCOCK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government are now in a position to render immediate pecuniary assistance to the people of Cook's River, and places adjacent, for the improvement of the Dam at Cook's River, which has been partially washed away by the late floods, and which, in its present state of disrepair, is highly detrimental to the interests of the inhabitants of that locality, and to the public generally?
4. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Light House at Port Stephens will be finished in time to afford protection to life and property during the approaching stormy Winter months?

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DANGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition presented by him on 9th April, relative to the Field of Mars Common, be printed.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That the Petition from Braidwood and the District, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 9th April, be printed.

4. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that his Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount paid from the General Revenue to the Telegraph Department during the year 1860.
 - (2.) The number of Messages sent, the amount paid for each, and the office at which such payment was made.
5. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money paid for professional services rendered by any member of the legal profession since the introduction of Responsible Government.
 - (2.) The nature of the service rendered, the amount of fees paid, the date when paid, and the name of the party to whom such payment was made.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthworks upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A tabular return, shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly, in each cutting, upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil.
7. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Tuesday the 16th April, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
8. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
9. MR. DICK to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing,—
 - (1.) The number of times Barristers, other than Crown Law Officers, have been appointed to prosecute at Circuit Criminal Courts.
 - (2.) The names of such Barristers.
 - (3.) The remuneration that has been paid to them respectively.
10. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
11. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
13. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence and Petitions to the Government, relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
14. MR. ATKINSON to move, That, in the opinion of this House, railways would be most economically and profitably worked, and the interest of the community best served, by the existing lines of railway being leased to private individuals or companies; and that, in order to carry out this principle, an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying His Excellency to adopt such measures as will tend to carry out this object at the earliest possible opportunity.
15. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House do now adopt an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying for the instant release of the two men, Turner and Wood, sentenced to one year's imprisonment, by the Deniliquin Bench, with hard labor, for camping with the blacks—some of the evidence against the Prisoners being aborigines.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Publicans' Laws Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Hoskings' Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861; third reading.
5. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.

Questions:—

1. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE HONORABLE THE SECRETARY REPRESENTING THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—By whose authority Mr. Surveyor Langley was employed to survey and mark out a Road from the north side of the Parramatta River (crossing the River at Five Dock and over Iron Cove) to Sydney; and whether such survey was made previous to the receipt of a Petition from certain residents on the Parramatta River, praying that a Bridge or Bridges might be made, and that the Government would raise the necessary funds by issuing Debentures, and that the Field of Mars Common should be sold to pay off those Debentures?
2. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Has the Government given any instructions for preparing plans and sections of a Bridge, intended to cross the Parramatta River, at Five Dock, near Hunter's Hill?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROTTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
 - (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.
2. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Police Magistrate of Sydney, and Mr. Rowan Ronald, J.P., for sentencing the prisoner Lunn to pay a fine of One Pound, he having pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Weekes, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Meston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Love, and the Mover.

Question:—

1. MR. ECKFORD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why Mr. Hargraves, junior, who was committed by the Gosford Bench to take his trial at the last Quarter Sessions held in Sydney, was not so placed upon his trial?

ROBERT WISDOM,
Deputy Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 12 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Continued Absence of the Speaker :—The House being informed by the Clerk that Mr. Speaker continued to be absent through indisposition,—
And the Clerk having read to the House the second section of the Standing Orders, which provides that “ Whenever the House shall be informed of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker, the Chairman of Committees shall take the Chair for that day only ; and in the event of the Speaker’s absence continuing for more than one day, shall, if the House think fit and so order it, take the Chair in like manner on any subsequent day during such absence, ”—
Mr. Cowper moved, That Mr. Wisdom, the Chairman of Committees, do take the Chair of this House for to-day.
Question put by the Clerk, by desire of the House, and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Wisdom took the Speaker’s Chair for to-day.
2. Deputy Chairman of Committees :—Mr. Cowper then moved, That Mr. Piddington do take the Chair of the Committees of the Whole House for this day.
Question put and passed.
3. Church of England Synods Bill :—
 - (1.) Mr. Lucas presented a Petition from the Clergyman and certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland connected with the Parish of Canterbury, in favor of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
 - (2.) Captain Moriarty presenting a Petition from the Clergyman and Parishioners of Christ Church, Bungonia, Argyle, in favor of the passing of this Bill,—
And the Deputy Speaker expressing his opinion that the greater number, if not all, of the signatures thereto were in the same hand-writing, and that therefore the Petition was scarcely in accordance with the 23rd Section of the Standing Orders, which requires that “ every Petition must be signed by the parties whose names are appended thereto, with their names or marks written or made by themselves, and by no one else, except in cases of incapacity from sickness ”—but stating his desire to have the decision of the House as to its admissibility,—
Captain Moriarty moved, That the Petition be received.
Question put and passed.
4. Exercise of Pre-emptive Right at Muswellbrook :—Mr. Gray presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of Muswellbrook, representing that they suffer great inconvenience from being surrounded by squatters, who, holding a pre-emptive right, purchase up the available portions of land ; and praying the suspension of the sale of all lands within twelve miles of the Town of Muswellbrook, until the Land Bill shall have been passed.
Petition received.
5. Church of England Synods Bill :—The undermentioned Petitions, in favor of this Bill, were presented by the Members respectively named :—
 - (1.) By Mr. Sutherland,—From the Clergyman and certain Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, connected with the Parish of St. Paul’s, Sydney.
 - (2.) By Mr. Douglas,—From the Clergyman and Members of the Church of England, residing in the Ecclesiastical District attached to the Incumbency of St. Luke’s Church, Seone.
Petitions received.
6. Refreshment Room Servants :—Mr. Parkes presented the following Petition from John Ryan and Bryan Maguire, Refreshment Room Servants :—
“ To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled.
“ The humble Petition of the Refreshment Room Servants, engaged to attend on the Honorable the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly,
“ RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,—
“ That your Petitioners are employed from seven o’clock in the morning until the rising of the House, at uncertain hours of the night, with pay at the
“ rate

"rate of six shillings and nine-pence per day, which your Petitioners respectfully state is insufficient to enable them to appear before, and wait upon, your Honorable House, in a respectable attire, for so long a time.

"Your Petitioners further most respectfully state, that, on the Prorogation of your Honorable House, they will be discharged, without any compensation, such as has been already granted to the Extra Messengers for after-hour attendance.

"Your Petitioners, therefore, most humbly pray that your Honorable House will be pleased to take their case into humane consideration, and grant them such relief as your Honorable House may deem meet.

"And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will for ever pray.

"JOHN RYAN,

"BRYAN MAGUIRE."

"Sydney, 9th April, 1861."

—and moved, That this Petition be received.

And the Deputy Speaker expressing his opinion, that the said Petition infringed on the Parliamentary Rule, that no petitioner shall directly or indirectly pray for a grant of public money, but expressing his willingness, nevertheless, to put the Question to the House,—

Debate ensued.

And several Members dissenting from the opinion expressed by the Deputy Speaker,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Hay,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Piddington.
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. C. Cowper,
Mr. Mate,	junr.,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. Macleay,	

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Hannell,
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Smart,	Capt. Moriarty,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Daniel,	

} Tellers.

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7. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Laycock presented the undermentioned Petitions in favour of the passing of this Bill:—

(1.) From certain Inhabitants of the District of Liverpool.

(2.) From certain Inhabitants of Holdsworthly.

Petitions received.

8. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments,—

Mr. Lucas moved, "That" this Report be now adopted.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the Question be amended, by the omission of all the words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "the Bill be re-committed, in order to the re-consideration of Clause 10."

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 2.

Noes, 32.

Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Peisley,
Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Caldwell,
junr.,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Mcston,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Laycock,	

} Tellers.

The Deputy Speaker, in reply to a question put to him by Mr. Rotton, as to the admissibility of this Bill, with reference to certain *pecuniary* provisions therein contained, which Mr. Rotton maintained were contrary to certain provisions in the Constitution Act,—stated, that the point raised was not one of Order but of *Law*; and that it was not in accordance with the practice of Parliament to call upon the Speaker to decide on such a point.

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

Question,—That the Bill be re-committed, in order to the re-consideration of Clause 10,—put and passed.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Lucas, the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Deputy Chairman having reported the Bill with a further amendment,—

Mr.

Mr. Lucas moved, That this Report be now adopted.

Question put,

And Division called for; but there being no Tellers for the Noes, no Division could be had, and the Deputy Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the *Affirmative*. Mr. Lucas then moved, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next, "to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day."

Debate ensued.

Mr. Rotton moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "to take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for that day."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Love,		Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Hoskins,		Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Sutherland,		Mr. Moston,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. Peisley,		Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Cunneen,		Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Terry,		Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Gray,		Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. C. Cowper,		Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Dalgleish,
junr.,		Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Lewis,	} Tellers.	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lucas,		Mr. Eckford,	Mr. Dick,

Whereupon Question,—That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next,—put and passed.

9. Cattle Disease Prevention Bill of 1861:—The Deputy Speaker reported, that while the House was in Committee on the Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill the following Message was received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to regulate the importation of Cattle for the purpose of preventing the introduction of Contagious or Infectious Disorders and to prevent the propagation thereof in the Colony,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 12th April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,

President.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight:—

SATURDAY, 13 APRIL, 1861, A.M.

10. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Douglas moved, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill be discharged from the Paper.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 14.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Moston,	Mr. Redman,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Leary,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Eckford,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Parkes,	junr.,	Mr. Lesley,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Dick,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Rotton,	} Tellers.		

Mr. Douglas then moved, That the Bill be discharged from the Paper.

Question put and passed.

11. Adjournment:—Mr. Dalgleish moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.		Noes, 15.	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Eckford,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. C. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Buchanan,	junr.,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dick,
	} Tellers.		} Tellers.

Whereupon the Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at twelve minutes past One o'clock, A.M., until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.
2. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That the Petition presented by him on 9th April, relative to the Field of Mars Common, be printed.
3. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That the Petition from Braidwood and the District, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 9th April, be printed.
4. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount paid from the General Revenue to the Telegraph Department during the year 1860.
 - (2.) The number of Messages sent, the amount paid for each, and the office at which such payment was made.
5. MR. DICKSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money paid for professional services rendered by any member of the legal profession since the introduction of Responsible Government.
 - (2.) The nature of the service rendered, the amount of fees paid, the date when paid, and the name of the party to whom such payment was made.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthworks upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A tabular return, shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly, in each cutting, upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil.
7. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
8. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
9. MR. DICK to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The number of times Barristers, other than Crown Law Officers, have been appointed to prosecute at Circuit Criminal Courts.
 - (2.) The names of such Barristers.
 - (3.) The remuneration that has been paid to them respectively.
10. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
11. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, and with leave to sit during any adjournment of the House, to inquire into and report upon the working of the Department of Public Works, and to ascertain whether the separation of that Department from the Department of Lands has, or has not, been beneficial to the Public Service, especially in respect to the Construction and Management of the Public Railways.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Rotton, Mr. Smart, Mr. Sutherland, and the mover.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
13. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.

14. MR. ATKINSON to move, That, in the opinion of this House, Railways would be most economically and profitably worked, and the interest of the community best served, by the existing lines of Railway being leased to private individuals or companies; and that, in order to carry out this principle, an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying His Excellency to adopt such measures as will tend to carry out this object at the earliest possible opportunity.
15. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That this House do now adopt an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying for the instant release of the two men, Turner and Wood, sentenced to one year's imprisonment, by the Deniliquin Bench, with hard labor, for camping with the blacks—some of the evidence against the Prisoners being aborigines.
16. MR. LUCAS to move, That the Petition of fifty-one Members of the Church of England in the Parish of Canterbury, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 12th April, be printed.
17. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him, on the 12th April, from the Clergyman and Members of St. Paul's, in favour of the Synods Bill, be printed.
18. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
19. MR. LAYCOCK to move, That the Petitions presented by him on Friday, April 12th, in favour of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.
20. MR. PARKES to move, That leave be granted to the Select Committee on the State and Management of Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland to sit on Saturdays and Mondays.
21. MR. FERRY to move, That the Petition of John Ryan and Bryan Maguire, presented on the 12th instant, be printed.
22. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
23. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.
24. MR. PEISLEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th instant from the Inhabitants of Orange, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
25. MR. DOUGLAS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 10th instant, from certain inhabitants of Gunning, in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.
26. MR. RYTON to move, That leave of absence be granted to the Reverend Dr. Lang, a Member for West Sydney, for the remainder of the present Session.
27. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 11th instant, from the Inhabitants of Richmond, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Publicans' Laws Amendment Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Hosking's Trust Bill; second reading.
3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861; third reading.
5. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill; third reading.
6. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
7. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
8. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill; third reading.
9. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
10. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
11. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
12. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
13. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill; second reading.
14. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
15. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
16. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and of Collieries.
2. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields.

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1. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861 ; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
2. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861 ; third reading.
3. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861 ; third reading.
4. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861 ; third reading.
5. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
6. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
7. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 ; third reading.

Questions :—

1. MR. SHEPHERD *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (in the absence of THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—By whose authority Mr. Surveyor Langley was employed to survey and mark out a Road from the north side of the Parramatta River (crossing the River at Five Dock and over Iron Cove) to Sydney ; and whether such survey was made previous to the receipt of a Petition from certain residents on the Parramatta River, praying that a Bridge or Bridges might be made, and that the Government would raise the necessary funds by issuing Debentures, and that the Field of Mars Common should be sold to pay off those Debentures ?
2. MR. SHEPHERD *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Has the Government given any instructions for preparing plans and sections of a Bridge, intended to cross the Parramatta River, at Five Dock, near Hunter's Hill ?
3. MR. DALGLEISH *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—How high the Floods of February and May, 1860, rose above the level of the Railway at the Bridge on the Camden Road, near Campbelltown,—that Bridge consisting of three openings, one of 15 feet and two of 8 feet, with an average height of 5 feet 6 inches.
 - (2.) Does the water from eleven Bridges on the Railway, with an aggregate opening of 900 feet, and an average height of 9 feet, concentrate at such Bridge.
 - (3.) Do the Government intend to raise the level and increase the size of that Bridge ?
4. MR. DICK *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Military force is likely to be withdrawn from Lambing Flat ?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Supply ; Resumption of the Committee.

Question :—

1. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—
 - (1.) When will that portion of the Braidwood Road from Nowra, Shoalhaven, to the Yellow Water Hole, (or Reserved Water Hole) be proclaimed ?
 - (2.) Is the Road from Bomaderry to the head of Broughton Creek, Shoalhaven, yet surveyed ? If not, when will such survey be commenced ; and how long after such survey will it be before the said road is proclaimed ?
 - (3.) Is the road from Nowra to Greenwell Point yet surveyed ? If not, why not ? If surveyed, when will it be proclaimed ?
 - (4.) What roads have been recently surveyed at Good Dog, Shoalhaven ; and when will they be proclaimed ?

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill ; to be considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill ; third reading.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROTTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built. (2.)

- (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlec Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
- (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.
2. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Police Magistrate of Sydney, and Mr. Rowan Ronald, J.P., for sentencing the prisoner Lunn to pay a fine of One Pound, he having pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Weekes, Mr. Dalglish, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Meston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Love, and the Mover.
5. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 26th instant, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of flax in this Colony.

Question :—

1. MR. ECKFORD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why Mr. Hargraves, junior, who was committed by the Gosford Bench to take his trial at the last Quarter Sessions held in Sydney, was not so placed upon his trial?

ROBERT WISDOM,
Deputy Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 16 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; and the Speaker having taken the Chair returned his Humble Acknowledgments to the House for their indulgence during his Indisposition.
Documents in Custody of the Clerk required by Crown Solicitor:—The Speaker having informed the House that the Clerk had received a letter dated the 11th instant, from the Crown Solicitor (Mr. John Williams), requesting that he may have returned to him “the Depositions against Charles Skerrett for cattle stealing; the Depositions against Isabella Mary Kelly for illegally branding cattle; the papers relative to the charge against Isabella Mary Kelly of perjury; and all other Documents produced by Mr. Williams on 9th February, 1860, before the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to inquire into the cases of Charles Skerrett”—which Documents are now in the possession of this House;—and having reminded the House that the Clerk cannot comply with such request without leave of the House:—
Put a Question,—That the Clerk have leave to comply with such request—taking a written receipt for the said Documents,—which passed in the *Affirmative*.
2. Mrs. Mary Jones:—Mr. Stewart, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Petition of Mrs. Mary Jones was referred, on the 29th January, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Piddington presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Parishes of Pitt Town and Wilberforce, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
4. Want of Town Common for Albury:—Mr. Mate presented a Petition from certain Farmers, Settlers, and others, residents within the Municipality of Albury, representing that they are put to great inconvenience and expense through the want of a Town Common appertinent to the Albury Municipality, and praying that such a Common may be granted.
Petition received.
5. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England, in the City of Sydney, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
6. Mr. William Meadows Brownrigg:—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from William Meadows Brownrigg, of Sydney, Licensed Surveyor, complaining of certain grievances, pecuniary and otherwise, therein set forth, as sustained by him in his capacity as a Licensed Surveyor under the Government, and praying inquiry into his case.
Petition received.
7. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Suttor presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England, in the District of Molong, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
8. Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Merchant at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Driver presented a Petition from Tu Lim Pow, now of Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, Chinese Merchant, representing that he suffered aggressions and losses, as therein set forth, from Europeans at Lambing Flat, including the burning of his store and its contents, and praying relief.
Petition received.

9. **Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway** :—Mr. Dalgleish moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a comparative section of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, shewing the works intended to have been constructed previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in the Colony; also, the alterations made by him at the time he stated that he adopted the Plans, as altered by him, as his own; and the alterations in the Bridges, &c., since the floods of February and May, 1860, and such further alterations as may be at present proposed on that line; with a copy of the correspondence on the subject of such alterations, or the reasons for alteration where no correspondence of an explanatory nature has been entered upon.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Baper,	
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Shepherd,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Dickson,	

Noes, 27.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. J. Garrett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. C. Cowper,	Capt. Moriarty,	
junr.,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Sutor,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Maelcay,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Morris,	

10. **Tanners and Curriers** :—Mr. Charles Cowper, junr. presented a Petition from Hercules Watt, of Phillip-street, Sydney, setting forth certain losses which he will sustain if an Act be passed to compel the closing of all Tanyards within the boundaries of the City of Sydney, and praying relief in the event of such Act being passed.
Petition received.
11. **Church of England Synods Bill** :—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from certain Clergymen and Members of the Church of England residing in the Town of Bathurst, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
12. **Field of Mars Common** :—Mr. Shepherd moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on 9th April, relative to the Field of Mars Common, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
13. **Church of England Synods Bill** :—Captain Moriarty moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from Braidwood and the District, in favour of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 9th April, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
14. **Telegraph Department** :—Mr. Dickson moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing,—
(1.) The amount paid from the General Revenue to the Telegraph Department during the year 1860.
(2.) The number of Messages sent, the amount paid for each, and the office at which such payment was made.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
15. **Payments made for Legal Services during Responsible Government** :—Mr. Dickson moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
(1.) The amount of money paid for professional services rendered by any member of the legal profession since the introduction of Responsible Government.
(2.) The nature of the service rendered, the amount of fees paid, the date when paid, and the name of the party to whom such payment was made.
Question put and passed.
16. **Motion withdrawn** :—Mr. Sutherland withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 6 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
17. **Postponements** :—
(1.) Mr. Piddington postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Walker, No. 7 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.
(2.) Mr. Lucas postponed the motion standing in his name No. 8 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
18. **Motion withdrawn** :—Mr. Dick withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 9 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
19. **Postponement** :—Mr. Dick postponed the motion standing in his name No. 10 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
20. **Motion withdrawn** :—Mr. Parkes withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 11 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

21. Postponements :—

(1.) Mr. Cummings postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 12 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Friday next.

(2.) Mr. Morris *amended* and postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 13 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

22. Motion dropped :—Mr. Atkinson not making the motion standing in his name, No. 14 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

23. Turner and Wood :—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That this House do now adopt an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying for the instant release of the two men, Turner and Wood, sentenced to one year's imprisonment, by the Deniliquin Bench, with hard labor, for camping with the blacks—some of the witnesses against the Prisoners being aborigines.

Debate ensued.

(*Interruption.*)

24. Assent to Bill :—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read :—

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 6.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Importation of Cattle for the purpose of preventing the introduction of Contagious or Infectious Disorders, and to prevent the propagation thereof in the Colony," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16 April, 1861.

25. Turner and Wood :—The Debate on Mr. Buchanan's motion, interrupted by the foregoing Message, resumed.

Question put.

And Division called for; but there being no Tellers for the Ayes, no Division could be had, and the Speaker declared the Question to have passed in the *Negative*.

26. Motions withdrawn :—

(1.) Mr. Lucas withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 16 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

(2.) Mr. Sutherland withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 17 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

27. Motion dropped :—Mr. Gray not making the motion standing in his name, No. 18 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

28. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Laycock moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the two Petitions presented by him on Friday, April 12th, in favour of the Church of England Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

29. Public Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That leave be granted to the Select Committee on the State and Management of Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland to sit on Saturdays and Mondays.

Question put and passed.

30. Refreshment Room Servants :—Mr. Terry moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of John Ryan and Bryan Maguire, presented on the 12th instant, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

31. Postponement :—Mr. Wilson postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Gray, No. 22 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.

32. Promotion of the Growth of Flax in the Colony :—Mr. Allen moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.

Debate ensued.

(*Interruption*)

33. Additional Estimates for 1861 :—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, received and read :—

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 7.

Administrator of the Government.

In compliance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Administrator of the Government submits for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, an Additional Estimate of Expenditure, for the year 1861.

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Ordered, on motion of Mr. Weekes, to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and taken into consideration in Committee of Supply.

34. Promotion of the Growth of Flax in the Colony :—The Debate on Mr. Allen's motion interrupted by the foregoing Message, resumed.
Question put and passed.
35. The Unemployed :—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from certain Mechanics and Laborers of the City of Sydney and Suburbs, representing that they have been in a state of involuntary idleness for many months, by which they have been reduced to destitution, and praying that as some means of remedying their sufferings, the Public Works of the Colony, now in abeyance, may be proceeded with.
Petition received.
36. Church of England Synods Bill :—
(1.) Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Peisley, That the Petition presented by Mr. Peisley on the 9th instant from the Inhabitants of Orange, in favour of the Synod Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. C. Cowper, junr., moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Mr. Douglas, That the Petition presented by Mr. Douglas on the 10th instant, from certain inhabitants of Gunning, in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
37. Leave of Absence :—Mr. Rotton moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That leave of absence be granted to the Reverend Dr. Lang, a Member for West Sydney, for the remainder of the present Session, in consequence of urgent business calling him to England.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
38. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 11th instant, from the Inhabitants of Richmond, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
39. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—Mr. Wilson moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee "to inquire into and report upon the State and Management of the Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable Edward Deas Thomson, Esquire, C.B., Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend accordingly, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

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Speaker.

Question put and passed.

40. Publicans' Laws Amendment Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Rusden moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Cowper moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question put,—That this Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Egan.	} Tellers.
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Morris,	

Noes, 31.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Hoskins,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. Lesley,	junr.,	
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dick,	

41. Hosking's Trust Bill, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.

42. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill :—Mr. Buchanan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put.

The House divided,

Ayes, 24

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Flett,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. J. Garrett,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Perry,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. C. Cowpor,	
Mr. Sutherland,	junr.,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Lesley,		

Noes, 8.

Mr. Lackey,	} Tellers.
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Morris,	

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Buchanan then moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn; and the consideration in Committee of this Bill ordered, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, to stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

43. Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a third time, and *passed*.

Mr. Windeyer then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act,*" with the Amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which Amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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Sydney, 16 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY INCORPORATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL OF 1861.

SCHEDULE of the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act,"—returned to the Legislative Council with Message of 16 April, 1861.

CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Page 2. After Clause 4, insert the following, to stand Clause 5 :—

(Provost and Vice Provost to be styled Chancellor and Vice Chancellor.)

"The Chief Officers of the University now called Provost and Vice Provost respectively shall hereafter be and be styled Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of the University Provided that the present Provost and Vice Provost shall be the first Chancellor and Vice Chancellor respectively and that all the provisions of the said Act of Incorporation now applicable to the Provost and Vice Provost and to their respective offices shall apply to the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor and their offices respectively."

Examined,—

W. R. PIDDINGTON,
Deputy Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

44. Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Windeyer then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to confer powers to sell and grant Building Leases upon the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen his wife.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to confer powers to sell and grant Building Leases upon the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen his wife,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

45. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Friday next.
46. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 16th instant, requesting leave for the Honorable Edward Deas Thomson, C.B., a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the State and Management of Public Prisons in the City of Sydney and the County of Cumberland, the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

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Sydney, 16 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

47. Tolls Amendment Act Amendment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Lucas, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill,—

Mr. Lucas moved, That the House do now adopt the Amendments so agreed to. Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Lucas moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act, 1857,' as relates to Broad Wheels.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16 April, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

48. West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill :—Mr. Dick moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Noes, 9.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Lasley,	} Tellers
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lackey,	Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. G. Cowper,	Mr. Gray,		
Mr. Dick,	junr.,	Mr. Markham,		
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Lewis,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Hoskins,		
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Walker,	Mr. Buchanan,		
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Windeyer,			} Tellers.

Bill read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Dick then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "*An Act to enable the 'Lord' Bishop of Newcastle as Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland to sell the said Land and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale.*"

Mr. Gray moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Lord," with a view to the insertion in its place of the words "Protestant Episcopal."

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. Garrett moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight,—

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Question put, for the adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow

The House divided.

Ayes, 2.

Noes, 18.

Mr. Lewis,	} Tellers.	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Parkes,	} Tellers.
Mr. J. Garrett,		Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lackey,	
		Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Windeyer,	
		Mr. Dick,	Mr. Shepherd,	
		Mr. Mate,	Mr. Walker,	
		Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Wisdom,	
		Mr. Driver,	Mr. Wilson,	
		Mr. Morris,	Mr. C. Cowper,	} Tellers.
		Mr. Terry,	junr.,	
		Mr. Daniel,		

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.

The

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Parkes,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Shepherd,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Torry,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. Morris,	junr.,	

Noes, 6.

Mr. Cummings,	} Tellers.
Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Roston,	

Original Question then put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Dick moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle as Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland to sell the said Land and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17 April, 1861, A.M.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

49. Admission of Barristers Law Amendment Bill :—The Speaker reported that the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Admission of Barristers of the Supreme Court,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16 April, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Morris, read a first time ; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

50. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, read a second time. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Windeyer, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.
51. Postponements :—
(1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council,—postponed, on motion of Mr. Morris, until Tuesday next.
(2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Careless Use of Fire prevention Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Mate, until Friday next.
(3.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of Address for proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell postponed, on motion of Mr. Wilson, until Friday next.
52. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a second time. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
53. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the House adopted the same, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
54. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Friday next.
55. Impounding Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Mate moved "That" the further consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

Mr.

Mr. J. Garrett moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words, "the Order of the Day be discharged from the Paper."

Debate ensued.

Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question put and passed.

56. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and of Collieries. Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 57. Gold Fields Bill 1861 :—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the management of the Gold Fields. Question put and passed; *Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 58. Coal Fields Regulation Bill, 1861 :—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "*A Bill for the better regulation of Coal Fields and Collieries*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
 59. Gold Fields Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper having presented this Bill, Bill intituled, "*A Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Gold Fields*," read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at five minutes after One o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; second reading.
4. Gold Fields Bill 1861; second reading.
5. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
6. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; third reading.
7. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; third reading.
8. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; third reading.
9. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
10. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
11. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chancer be laid upon the Table of this House.
2. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
4. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
5. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
6. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
7. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
8. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill; third reading.
2. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; third reading.

Questions :—

Questions :—

1. MR. T. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—
 - (1.) When will that portion of the Braidwood Road from Nowra, Shoalhaven, to the Yellow Water Hole, (or Reserved Water Hole) be proclaimed?
 - (2.) Is the Road from Bomaderry to the head of Broughton Creek, Shoalhaven, yet surveyed? If not, when will such survey be commenced; and how long after such survey will it be before the said road is proclaimed?
 - (3.) Is the road from Nowra to Greenwell Point yet surveyed? If not, why not? If surveyed, when will it be proclaimed?
 - (4.) What roads have been recently surveyed at Good Dog, Shoalhaven; and when will they be proclaimed?
2. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Correspondence moved for by him on the 24th January last, having reference to the Southern Gold Commissioners, will be laid upon the Table of this House?

THURSDAY, APRIL 18.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, certain sums, to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PIDDINGTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 - (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 - (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.
2. MR. PIDDINGTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
3. MR. DRIVER *to move*, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
4. MR. SUTOR *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
5. MR. SUTHERLAND *to move*, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.

Questions :—

1. MR. LEARY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Does the Government intend to place on the Supplementary Estates for 1861, an increase to the salaries of those District Court Bailiffs whose salaries are less than forty pounds per annum?
2. MR. HART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have discharged the whole of the Mail Guards on the Northern Line of Road; if so, when?
 - (2.) Was any previous notice given of the intention of the Government to discharge them?

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; third reading.
4. Promotion of the Growth of Flax in the Colony; [consideration in Committee of Address for.
5. Hosking's Trust Bill; third reading.
6. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; to be considered in Committee.
7. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
8. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
9. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
10. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
11. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
12. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 - (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.
2. MR. HART to move, That the Petition in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
3. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, the sum of £2,500 for the Mounted Volunteer Rifles, to provide half forage for 100 horses at £20 each, and £5 each towards shoeing horses, wear and tear of horse trappings, &c., for 100 members.
4. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
5. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a public wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
7. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.

Questions:—

1. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the correspondence and other papers relative to general Cemeteries, ordered by the House on the 29th January last, will be laid upon the Table?
2. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Returns relative to Letters Patent, ordered by the House on the 12th October last, will be ready?
3. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Returns relative to the exercise of the pre-emptive right by Major Chauvel and others in the Clarence River District, and which on the 25th day of January last the Secretary for Lands stated would be laid upon the Table “in a few days” will be ready?

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RYTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
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T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—Mr. Shepherd moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee "to consider the Claims, if any, of the Rev. W. B. Clarke," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable Edward Deas Thomson, Esquire, C.B., Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend accordingly, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

2. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion relative to the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
3. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

4. Messages:—The Speaker reported that while the House was in Committee of Supply the following Messages were received from the Legislative Council:—
(1.) Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council disagrees to the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner to Issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle,*" for the following reasons:—

1st. Because, with the exception of Sydney, Newcastle, being the only Port of Entry and Clearance in the Colony for vessels arriving in and departing therefrom, is largely resorted to, and debts are incurred there, by masters of vessels and others connected therewith, which are not discharged, through the facilities of evading payment afforded by the opportunity of leaving the Port after Clearance, and, therefore, a practical and urgent necessity exists for the passing of such a measure as the present in reference to that Port; whereas no such necessity, as far as this Council is aware, exists in reference to other places.

2nd. Because the measure is an experimental one, of great importance, and it is desirable to see the effects of its operation at Newcastle (a place where grievances now exist for want of such a law), before extending it to other parts of the Colony where no such grievances, as far as this Council is aware, exist.

3rd. And further, as regards the proposed extension of the measure to Albury, because, that being an inland border town, such a provision would there be impracticable for any useful purpose.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17 April, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Dick, to be taken into consideration in Committee at a later hour this day.

(2.) Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 17th instant, requesting leave for the Honorable Edward Deas Thomson, C.B., a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed to consider the claims, if any, of the Reverend W. B. Clarke, the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

5. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—Mr. Daniel moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee "to inquire into and report on the present state and management of the Sydney Domain," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable John Fletcher Hargrave, Esquire, Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend accordingly, on such day and days, as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18 April, 1861, A.M.

Speaker.

Question put and parsed.

6. Adjournment :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock "p.m., this day."

Mr. Driver moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the words "p.m., this day," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "on Friday next."

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Wilson,	} Tellers.
Mr. W. B. Clarke,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Deas Thomson,	Mr. Pittington,	
Mr. Parker,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. C. J. Farrell,	Mr. C. Cowper,	
Mr. J. G. St. John,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Windygar,		

Noes, 16.

Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. Cummings,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Daniel,	

Question put,—That the words proposed to be inserted in the place of the words omitted, be there inserted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Wecker,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Cummings,		

Noes, 4.

Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.
Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	
Mr. C. Cowper,	

Question then put,—That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

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Mr. Wecker,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Atkinson,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
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Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Cummings,		

Noes, 2.

Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.
Mr. Caldwell,	

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned at ten minutes after Three o'clock, A.M., until Friday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion, That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861.
3. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill; third reading.
4. Promotion of the Growth of Flax in the Colony; consideration in Committee of Address for.
5. Hosking's Trust Bill; third reading.
6. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; to be considered in Committee.
7. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
8. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
9. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill; second reading.
10. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.
11. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
12. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
13. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Message disagreeing with Assembly's Amendments.
14. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill; third reading.
15. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill; third reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 - (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.
2. MR. HART to move, That the Petition in favor of the Church of England Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
3. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, the sum of £2,500 for the Mounted Volunteer Rifles, to provide half forage for 100 horses at £20 each, and £5 each towards shoeing horses, wear and tear of horse trappings, &c., for 100 members.
4. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 - (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
5. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a public wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
6. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
7. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
8. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House:—
 - (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 - (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.
9. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.

10. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
11. MR. SUTTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
12. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
13. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
14. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
15. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
16. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
17. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
18. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
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20. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, certain sums, to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
2. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; second reading.
3. Gold Fields Bill 1861; second reading.
4. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
5. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; third reading.
6. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; third reading.
7. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; third reading.
8. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
9. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
10. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; third reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the correspondence and other papers relative to general Cemeteries, ordered by the House on the 29th January last, will be laid upon the Table?
2. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Returns relative to Letters Patent, ordered by the House on the 12th October last, will be ready?
3. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Returns relative to the exercise of the pre-emptive right by Major Chauvel and others in the Clarence River District, and which on the 25th day of January last the Secretary for Lands stated would be laid upon the Table "in a few days" will be ready?
4. MR. SHEPHERD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Did the Government receive an application from certain resident Householders residing within the Parish of Willoughby, east of the township of St. Leonard's, North Shore, praying for the erection of their locality into a Municipality, and stating the boundaries of the desired Municipality; and whether such application has been attended to by the Government; if not, why not?
5. MR. LEARY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Does the Government intend to place on the Supplementary Estates for 1861, an increase to the salaries of those District Court Bailiffs whose salaries are less than forty pounds per annum?
6. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have discharged the whole of the Mail Guards on the Northern Line of Road; if so, when?
 - (2.) Was any previous notice given of the intention of the Government to discharge them?
7. MR. ROTTON to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—What number of men were returned in the last fortnightly Report of the Inspectors to the Engineer-in-Chief, as being employed in actual work upon the Railway Extensions of the three trunk lines?
8. MR. PARKES to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government have decided upon any course to ascertain the amount of loss sustained by the Chinese at Lambing Flat in consequence of the recent riots, and what steps are proposed to be taken in respect to the losses so sustained?

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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13. MR. ROTTON to move, That this House will on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that the sum of £100,000 may be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, to be expended in promoting Immigration to this Colony.
14. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions :—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.

ORDERS

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1. Barristers' Admission Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
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 - (2.) Whether the Government intend to have the said road surveyed and proclaimed?
3. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government intend to repair that portion of the Parramatta Road laying between Longbottom and Parramatta; if so, when?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 19 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the said Company, praying for leave to introduce this Bill.
And Mr. Parkes having produced the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, the *Empire*, and the *Maitland Mercury*, Newspapers, containing notices for four consecutive weeks in the months of March and April, 1861, of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
Petition received.
2. Papers :—
(1.) Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, Trust Moneys Deposit Account, from 1 April 1860 to 31 March, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Letter from Mr. Justice Cary, dated 15th April, 1861, relative to two Petitions on the subject of "Administration of Justice—District Courts," presented to the House on the 20th and 26th March, 1861, respectively. (*See Votes and Proceedings, No. 40, Entry 4, and No. 43, Entry 20.*)
Ordered to be printed.
3. Mr. N. L. Kentish :—Mr. Dick, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish was referred on the 23rd January, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Dick, until this day week.
5. The Adjourned Debate on Mr. Wilson's motion,—That, in the opinion of this House, the Export Duty on Gold should not be levied after the 31st December, 1861,—resumed.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Raper,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Peisley,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Allen,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Love,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Cunneen,		

Noes, 3.

Mr. Shepherd,	} Tellers.
Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Rotton,	

6. Messages :—The Speaker reported that the following Messages had been received from the Legislative Council :—
(1.) Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act for the Amendment of the Law as to Claims against the Crown,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly, for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(2.)

(2.) Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to make better provision for the Custody and Care of Criminal Lunatics*," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly, for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 18 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

(3.) Sydney University Incorporation Act Amendment Bill of 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act*."

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Sydney, 18 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

7. Chinese Immigration Regulation Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Rotton,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Allen,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Parkes,		
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Cunneen,		
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Laycock,		
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Buchanan,		
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Walsh,		
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Dick,		
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. Douglas,		
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Love,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Lucas,		} Tellers.

Bill read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Lucas then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to regulate Chinese Immigration*."

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Lucas moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to regulate Chinese Immigration*," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

8. Promotion of the growth of Flax in the Colony :—On motion of Mr. Allen, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address upon this subject.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of Flax in this Colony.

Mr. Allen then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

9. Hosking's Trust Bill, on motion of Mr. Dick, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Dick then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to authorize the Sale and Exchange of Property held in trust for Mrs. Martha Forlowe Hosking and her issue*."

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Dick moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to authorize the Sale and Exchange of Property held in trust for Mrs. Martha Forlowe Hosking and her issue*," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

10. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill:—On motion of Mr. Buchanan, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, and with the Title amended so as to read thus:—“*A Bill to Limit the Power of Justices of the Peace in certain cases,*”—the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

11. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 on Friday next.

12. Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Parkes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “*An Act to amend the Cattle Driving Act, 16 Vic., No. 23.*”

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, “*An Act to amend the Cattle Driving Act, 16 Vic., No. 23,*” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

13. Careless Use of Fire Prevention Bill:—Mr. Mate moved, That this Bill be “now” read a second time.

Mr. Hoskins moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word “now”, with a view to the addition, at the end, of the words “this day six months”

Debate ensued.

Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original motion by leave withdrawn.

Order of the Day discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Mate.

Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Mate.

14. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of Address for Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell, postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Tuesday next.

15. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Parkes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “*An Act to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act.*”

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, “*An Act to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act,*” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

16. Impounding Bill of 1861:—Mr. Mate moved, That the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill be “postponed until Friday next.”

Mr. Markham moved, that the Question be amended by the omission of the words “postponed until Friday next,” with a view to the insertion in their place of the words “discharged from the Paper.”

Debate ensued.

Proposed amendment by leave withdrawn.

Original Question put and passed.

17. Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Walsh, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Message of the 17th instant, disagreeing to the Assembly's Amendments in this Bill.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That this Committee does not insist upon the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner to issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle.*”

Mr. Walsh then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon,

Whereupon, Mr. Walsh moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message, dated the 17th instant, disagreeing to certain amendments made by the Assembly in the Commissioner at Newcastle Appointment Bill, does not insist upon its said amendments.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

18. Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Parkes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company called the 'Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company' and for other purposes therein mentioned.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company called the 'Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company' and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

19. Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill, on motion of Mr. Hoskins, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hoskins then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to Limit the Liability of Mining Partnerships.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Hoskins moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to Limit the Liability of Mining Partnerships,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

20. Postponement:—Mr. Rusden postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Friday next.
21. Motion dropped:—Mr. Hart not making the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.
22. Mounted Volunteer Rifles:—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, the sum of £2,500 for the Mounted Volunteer Rifles, to provide half forage for 100 horses at £20 each, and £5 each towards shoeing horses, wear and tear of horse trappings, &c., for 100 members.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight:—

SATURDAY, 20 APRIL, 1861. A.M.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Raper,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	
Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Perry,		

Noes, 7.

Mr. Wisdom,	} Tellers.
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Dalglish,	
Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Lewis,	
Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Morris,	

23. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—The Speaker reported that the following Message had been received from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 18th instant, requesting leave for the Honorable John Fletcher Hargrave, a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed, "to inquire into and report on the present state and management of the Sydney Domain," the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 19 April, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at a quarter after Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROTTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenlee Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.
 - (3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.
2. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
4. MR. BUCHANAN to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Police Magistrate of Sydney, and Mr. Rowan Ronald, J.P., for sentencing the prisoner Lunn to pay a fine of One Pound, he having pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Weckes, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Meston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Love, and the Mover.
5. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 26th instant, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £200, for the purpose of promoting the growth of flax in this Colony.
6. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to prohibit all Chinamen from working upon any Gold Field in the Colony of New South Wales.
7. MR. BUCHANAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill rendering all Hawkers' Licenses granted in Sydney applicable to all parts of the Colony of New South Wales.
8. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April from certain inhabitants of Pitt Town and Wilberforce in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.
9. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
10. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.

11. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
12. MR. GRAY to move, That this House will, on Friday, the 19th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
13. MR. ROTTON to move, That this House will on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that the sum of £100,000 may be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, to be expended in promoting Immigration to this Colony.
14. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
 - (1) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
15. MR. DICKSON to move,—
 - (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2) That the Committee consist of the following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.
16. MR. PARKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Maitland and Morpeth Railway Company.
17. MR. LUGAS to move, That all Correspondence connected with the resignation of Captain Martindale be forthwith laid upon the Table of this House.
18. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 - (1) The name of the accused.
 - (2) The nature of charge.
 - (3) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 - (4) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 - (5) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 - (6) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 - (7) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 - (8) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
19. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 - (3) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 - (4) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 - (5) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 - (6) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
20. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
21. MR. DICK to move,—
 - (1) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.

22. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
23. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
24. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
25. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a public wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
26. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
27. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
28. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House:—
 (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.
29. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
30. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 13th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
31. MR. SUTOR to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
32. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
33. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
34. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
35. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
36. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
37. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
38. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
39. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
40. MR. DERVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Barristers' Admission Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be

be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; third reading.
4. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, certain sums, to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861; second reading.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; second reading.
4. Gold Fields Bill 1861; second reading.
5. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
6. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; third reading.
7. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; third reading.
8. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; third reading.
9. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
10. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
11. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; third reading.

Questions:—

1. MR. ECKFORD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why Mr. Hargraves, junior, who was committed by the Gosford Bench to take his trial at the last Quarter Sessions held in Sydney, was not so placed upon his trial?
2. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR. to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Whether the Government are aware that the road leading from Goulburn *via* Wilceco to Lambing Flat and Bland Plains, which has been a main road for the last twenty-five years, has been fenced across in several places, near the Burrowa River, thereby rendering great inconvenience to a large number of the settlers of the Southern district?
(2.) Whether the Government intend to have the said road surveyed and proclaimed?
3. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government intend to repair that portion of the Parramatta Road laying between Longbottom and Parramatta; if so, when?
4. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether Captain Martindale in tendering his resignation sent it through the head of his Department, or did he send it direct to His Excellency the Governor General?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
(1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
(2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 23 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Member Sworn :—Thomas Dangar, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Upper Hunter.
2. Papers to be printed :—Mr. Cowper moved, That the following Papers, viz. :—
 - (1.) Return to Address, in reference to Pre-emptive Right exercised by Clark Irving, Esquire, adopted, on motion of Mr. Martin, on the 23rd September, 1859—
 - (2.) Return to Address, in reference to C. G. T. Chauvel and others, adopted, on motion of Mr. Hart, on the 1st June, 1860,—laid upon the Table by Mr. Robertson, on the 30th January last, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Motions Withdrawn :—
 - (1.) Mr. J. Garrett withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 14 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
 - (2.) Mr. Driver, on behalf of Mr. Eckford, withdrew the motions standing in the name of Mr. Eckford, Nos. 2 and 3 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
4. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Terry presented a Petition from the Inhabitants of Mudgee, against the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
5. Frederick Beer :—Captain Moriarty presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the District of Braidwood, praying for a full and minute inquiry into and investigation of all the circumstances connected with the case of Frederick Beer, a medical practitioner, who, in April, 1856, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment on a charge of having illegally administered belladonna to one Phyllis Browne—and who, in April last, received a ticket-of-leave, and is now practising his profession at Braidwood.
Petition received.
6. Alleged Aggressions on Chinamen at Lambing Flat :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Hu Foo and Kylong, for themselves and certain other sufferers named in the Schedule written in the body of the Petition, and also for certain undersigned Chinamen, now in Sydney,—representing that the Petitioners suffered aggressions and losses, as therein set forth, from European and other Diggers at Lambing Flat,—and praying relief.
Petition received.
7. Tanners and Curriers :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from John Page, of Salehurst Park, in the County of Cumberland, representing that, relying on the due enforcement of the Act, 14 Vic., No. 30, he abstained from establishing himself as a Tanner in Sydney, and opened a Tanning Establishment at St. Mary's, South Creek ;—but that, having recently learned that Tanneries are not discontinued in Sydney, he is desirous of the adoption of measures which will have the effect of immediately discontinuing such establishments within the limits of exclusion.
Petition received.
8. Railway Extension Lines and Works :—Mr. Rotton moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A comparative section of each of the Southern, Western, and Northern Extension Lines of Railway, shewing those portions which have been or are intended to be altered in consequence of the floods, the levels of which are to be shewn thereon, as well as the quantities which already have been or are proposed to be filled into each cutting, or which have been or are to be removed from each embankment, in consequence of the above alterations, with the sizes of all the culverts and lengths of all the bridges and viaducts originally intended to be constructed, as also the sizes and lengths of all those now built or intended to be built.
 - (2.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the Glenleé Viaduct, according to which it is now being constructed, with the date of their delivery to the contractors.

(3.) Copies or tracings of the drawings of the original and all subsequent designs for the Menangle Viaduct, shewing the late flood levels, with the dates of their respective submissions or deliveries to the contractors, with estimates in detail of the same, and specifying the design decided upon.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. Administration of Justice—Sydney Police Court:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Police Magistrate of Sydney, and Mr. Rowan Ronald, J.P., for sentencing the prisoner "Lunn" to pay a fine of One Pound, he having pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Weekes, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Meston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Love, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

10. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Allen, not making the motion standing in his name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

11. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Buchanan withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 6 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

12. Hawkers' Licenses Amendment Bill:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill rendering all Hawkers' Licenses granted in Sydney applicable to all parts of the Colony of New South Wales.

Debate ensued.

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

13. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 18th April, from certain inhabitants of Pitt Town and Wilberforce in favor of the Synods Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

14. Hawkers' Licenses Amendment Bill:—Mr. Buchanan having *presented* this Bill, Bill intituled, "*Hawkers' Licenses Amendment Bill*," read a first time; *Ordered* to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.

15. Postponements:—

(1.) Mr. Lucas postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 9 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

(2.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Dick, No. 10 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until to-morrow.

(3.) Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.

16. Proposed Wharf at Shellharbour:—Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That this House will, on Friday, the 26th instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Allen,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Sattor,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Lesley,		
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Blake,	Mr. Dangar,		
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Rotton,		
Mr. Peisley,	Mr. J. Garrett,	Capt. Moriarty,		
Mr. Atkinson,		Mr. Laycock,		

17. Assisted Immigration:—Mr. Rotton moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that the sum of "£100,000" may be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, to be expended in promoting "Immigration" to this Colony.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Leary moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the figures "£100,000", with a view to the insertion in their place of the figures "£50,000"; and by the insertion, before the word "Immigration," of the word "Assisted."

Debate continued.

Mr. Parkes moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday next.

Debate ensued.

Question

Question put for the adjournment of the Debate until Friday next.
The House divided.

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Cowper,		Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Weekes,		Mr. Martz,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Arnold,		Mr. Leary,	Mr. Meston,
Mr. O'Brien,		Mr. Hart,	Mr. Blake,
Mr. Love,		Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Caldwell,		Mr. Terry,	Mr. Flett,
Mr. Wilson,		Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Haworth,
Mr. Lucas,		Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Parkes,		Mr. Markham,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Lewis,		Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Walker,		Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Hoskins,		Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Buchanan,		Mr. J. Garrett,	
Mr. Allen,	} Tellers.	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Windeyer,		Mr. Shepherd,	

Main Question stated.
Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit till after Midnight:—

WEDNESDAY, 24 APRIL, 1861, A.M.

Question put,—That the figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 19.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Paisley,
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Macleay,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Walker,	Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Morris,	Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Cummings,		Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Buchanan,
		Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Daniel,
		Mr. Leary,	Mr. Blake,
		Mr. Markham,	Mr. T. Garrett,

Question put,—That the figures and words proposed to be inserted, be there inserted.
The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Haworth,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Laycock,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Leary,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Cunneen,		
Mr. Paisley,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,		
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Daniel,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Rusden,		
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Morris,		

Whereupon, Question put,—That this House will on Friday next resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that the sum of £50,000 may be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, to be expended in promoting Assisted Immigration to this Colony.
The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Laycock,	Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Haworth,
Mr. Blake,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Mate,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Flett,	Mr. Leary,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Cunneen,		
Mr. Paisley,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,		
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Daniel,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. J. Garrett,		
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Markham,		

18. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Walker withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 38 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
19. Postponement:—Mr. Lesley postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Dickson, No. 15 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Friday next.

0. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill :—Mr Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate the Maitland and Morpeth Railway Company.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Hart,

} Tellers.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lucas,

} Tellers.

Ordered, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.

21. Resignation of Captain Martindale :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, That all Correspondence connected with the resignation of Captain Martindale be forthwith laid upon the Table of this House.

Mr. Piddington moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock to-morrow.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. J. Garrett.
Mr. Hart,
Mr. Terry,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Flett,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. J. N. Ryan,

} Tellers.

Noes, 25.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Dangar,	*Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Laycock,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Leary,	

} Tellers.

* So in Teller's List.

Original Question then put and passed.

22. Proposed Adjournment :—Mr. Piddington moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 5.

Mr. Lesley,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Lucas,

} Tellers.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. J. Garrett,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Flett,	Mr. T. Garrett,

} Tellers.

23. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill :—Mr. Parkes having *presented* this Bill, and produced a Certificate that the sum of Twenty-five pounds had been paid to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Leary,	Mr. T. Garrett,
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Lesley,	Mr. Flett,
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Rusden,	

} Tellers.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lucas,

} Tellers.

Bill, intituled "A Bill to Establish and Incorporate a Company to be called 'The 'Maitland and Morpeth Railway Company' and to enable the said Company to Construct and Work a Line of Railway between the Port of Morpeth in the Colony of New South Wales and the Town of Maitland in the said Colony',—read a first time.

24. Proposed Adjournment:—Mr. Piddington moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock to-morrow.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 5.

Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Terry, } Tellers.
Mr. Lesley,

Noes, 27.

Mr. Cowper, Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Weekes, Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Arnold, Mr. Flett,
Mr. T. Garrett, Mr. Love,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Parkes, Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Wilson, Mr. Hart,
Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Cummings, Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Markham, Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lewis, Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Leary, Mr. Morris, } Tellers.
Mr. Dangar, Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. J. Garrett,

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at half-past Two o'clock, A. M., until Three o'clock, P. M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for enforcing the payment of rates under the Municipalities Act of 1858.
2. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, certain sums, to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861; second reading.
3. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
4. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; second reading.
5. Gold Fields Bill 1861; second reading.
6. Pitt-street Tramway Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
7. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861; third reading.
8. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861; third reading.
9. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861; third reading.
10. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
11. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
12. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd April, from Braidwood, in reference to Frederick Beer, be printed.
2. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from certain inhabitants of Mudgee against the Synods Bill, be printed.
3. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of certain Chinese gold miners, complaining of the destruction of property by the Lambing Flat riots, presented by him on the 23rd instant, be printed.
4. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition of John Page, relating to Tanneries in the City of Sydney, presented by him on the 23rd instant, be printed.
5. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.

6. MR. PARKES to move,
 (1.) That the Bill to Incorporate the Maitland and Morpeth Railway Company be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Rusden, Mr. Morris, Mr. Love, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Buchanan, and the Mover.
7. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 (1.) The name of the accused.
 (2.) The nature of charge.
 (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
8. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
9. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
10. MR. DICK to move,—
 (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
11. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
12. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
13. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 (1.) That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
 (2.) That the Government will lay on the Table of this House all plans, estimates, and surveys in their possession, relative to said extensions.
14. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a public wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
15. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
16. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.

17. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.
18. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
19. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
20. MR. SUTOR to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
21. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
22. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
23. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
24. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
25. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
26. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
27. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
28. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Barristers' Admission Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Resumption of the adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; third reading.
4. Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell; consideration in Committee of Address for.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
2. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.
5. Hawkers' Licenses Amendment Bill; second reading.
6. Proposed Wharf at Shellharbour; consideration in Committee of Address for funds for.
7. Assisted Immigration; consideration in Committee of Address for funds for.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.

2. MR. DICKSON to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.

(2.) That the Committee consist of the following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.

Question :—

1. MR. THOMAS GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1858 this Session of Parliament?

TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
2. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions :—
(1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
(2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum
(3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves *v.* Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being “wilful trespass,” “vagrancy,” and “being in dread of his life.”
4. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe *v.* Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
5. MR. JOHN GARRETT to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the printing of Returns, Reports, and Evidence moved for and adopted on the motion of the Representative Members of the Legislative Assembly, shewing the amount incurred by each Member, during the Sessions of 1859-60, and 1860; also, the total cost of printing for the same Sessions for both Houses of Parliament.
6. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
7. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
8. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 24 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Papers:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 - (1.) Return to Order, in reference to Kiandra Gold Fields, made by this House, on motion of Mr. C. Cowper, Junr., on the 24th January last.
 - (2.) Return to Address, in reference to Insolvent Estates, adopted, on motion of Mr. Love, on the 23rd January last.
 - (3.) Fourth Yearly Report of the Municipal Council of the City of Sydney, of their Proceedings in connexion with the Sewerage and Water Supply.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for enforcing the payment of rates under the Municipalities Act of 1858.
Question put and passed;—*Ordered*, That the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
3. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Shepherd withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 14 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
4. Postponements;—
 - (1.) Mr. Weekes postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, until a later hour this day.
 - (2.) The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion relative to the Great Seal of the Colony, postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
5. Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment,—
Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this report be now adopted.
Mr. Walker moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words following the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the Bill be re-committed in order to the re-consideration of Clause 7."
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 the place of the words omitted be so inserted,—put and passed.
Question,—That the Bill be re-committed, in order to the re-consideration of Clause 7,—put and passed.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Walker, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
6. Supply:—Mr. Weekes moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported the following Resolutions:—

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES, 1861.

No. II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(137.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £527, to defray additional charge for the joint Department of the Legislative Council and Assembly, for the year 1861.

No. III.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

(138.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £150, to defray additional charge for Registrar General's Department, for the year 1861.

(139.)

- (139.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £50, to defray additional charge for Protestant Orphan School, for the year 1861.
- (140.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £219, to defray additional charge for Department of Water Police, for the year 1861.
- (141.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £20, to defray additional charge for Police, Country Districts—Executive, for the year 1861.
- (142.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £432 12s. 11d., to defray additional charge for Sydney Gaol, for the year 1861.
- (143.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £98 3s., to defray additional charge for Goulburn Gaol, for the year 1861.
- (144.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100 7s. 6d., to defray additional charge for Tamworth Gaol, for the year 1861.
- (145.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £69 12s. 11d., to defray additional charge for Penal Establishment, Cockatoo Island, for the year 1861.
- (146.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £73, to defray additional charge for Military Allowance, for the year 1861.
- (147.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £741 0s. 7d., to defray additional charge for Charitable Allowances, for the year 1861, being—£291 0s. 7d., in aid of the expenses incurred by the Kiandra Hospital for 1860, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscription; £200 in aid of the Penrith Hospital and Benevolent Society, on same condition; and £250 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Parramatta, on same condition, further sum.
- (148.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,450, to defray additional charge for grants in aid of Public Institutions, for the year 1861, being—£200 in aid of the erection of the Newtown School of Arts, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private subscription, further sum; £1,000 in aid of the erection of the Mudgee Mechanics' Institute, on same condition; and £250 in aid of the erection of the Campelltown School of Arts, on same condition.
- (149.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,392, to defray additional charge for Miscellaneous Services for the year 1861, being—£100 to compensate Richard Brett and Richard Heather for losses sustained by them under the circumstances stated in their Petition to the Assembly dated 2nd February, 1860, (Resolution of Assembly); £5,000 for the purchase of Specimens of Gold for transmission to the Exhibition of All Nations, to be held in London in 1862; £8,000 to cover the expense of the Military Expedition to Lambing Flat Gold Fields; and £292 for the purchase of copies of the New Edition of the Australian Magistrate.

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

- (150.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £75, to defray additional charge for the Insolvent Court, for six months of the year 1861.
- (151.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £204 7s. 9d., to defray additional charge for District Courts, for the year 1861.

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

- (152.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13, to defray additional charge for the Department of the Treasury, for the year 1861.
- (153.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £47 13s., to defray additional charge for the Department of the Sydney Mint, for the year 1861.
- (154.) Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £457 6s. 8d., to defray additional charge for the Post Office Department, for the year 1861.
- (155.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,380, to defray additional charge for Conveyance of Mails, for the year 1861.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

- (156.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £387 10s., to defray the expense of the Immigration Department, for six months of the year 1861.
- (157.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £410, to defray additional charge for the Botanic Gardens, Sydney, for the year 1861.
- (158.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100, to defray additional charge for Government Domains and Hyde Park, for the year 1861.
- (159.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,917, to defray additional charge for Roads other than Main Roads, for the year 1861.
- (160.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,468, to defray additional charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1861, being—£208 compensation to Mr. H. Dangar, for fencing road passing through his land at Singleton; £150 compensation to Mr. Hume, land near Burrowa; £150 for fencing portion of road from Bathurst to Rockley, passing through enclosed lands; £450 for fencing road from Raymond Terrace by east side of Williams River to Seaham and Clarence Town; £300 for the purchase of Alignment Posts for different Municipal Towns; £210 for the examination of the Shoalhaven and Snowy Rivers as to fitness for propagation of Salmon.

No.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(161.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £539 9s., to defray additional charge for the Department of Public Works, for the year 1861.

(162.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,450, to defray additional charge for the Railway Department, for the year 1861.

(163.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,139, to defray additional charge for the Electric Telegraph Department, for the year 1861.

(164.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £626 6s. 10d., to defray additional charge for the Road Department, for the year 1861.

(165.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,418, to defray additional charge for Public Works and Buildings, for the year 1861, being—£300 for repairs to Court House, and Assistant Gold Commissioner's Quarters, at Nundle; £270 for the erection of Office for District Surveyor, at Albury; £300 for the erection of Court House, at Uralla; £250 for the erection of Lockup, at Uralla; £400 for the erection of Lockup and Quarters for Commissioners and Police, at Lambing Flat; £250 for the erection of a Record Room, Department of Lands, further sum; £200 to repair Dam at Parramatta; £500 to provide Implements and Materials for employment of Prisoners in Berrima Gaol; £150 for fencing Cemetery, at Nundle; £300 for Buildings for Pilot and Boats' Crews, at Moruya; £2,000 for the erection of Escort Stations in the Southern District; £150 for the erection of Stables and Paddock for Native Police Horses, New England District; £93 for the erection of Landing Waiter's Box, Circular Quay; £170 for alteration and repairs to Court House, Bombala; £500 for the erection of Watch House, Murrumbarra; £450 for the erection of Watch House, Wyagdon; and £135 for the erection of Stable, and fencing Camp Ground, Mounted Patrol Station, Tambaroora.

(166.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £250, to defray additional charge for Engineer's Department (Harbours and River Navigation), for the year 1861.

(167.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £52 10s. to defray additional charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1861, being £52, further sum, as Compensation to the family of the late Mrs. De Courey (Resolution of Assembly); and 10s. for Passage to England of Captain Martindale and Family.

TO BE PROVIDED FOR BY LOAN.

(168.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1861, to be provided for by Loan, a sum not exceeding £14,700, being—£1,000 towards removing obstacles to the Navigation of the River Murray; £5,000 for construction of a Bridge over the Lachlan River; £2,400 for construction of a Bridge over Tumut River, including £200 for Superintendence; £5,000 for erection of Lodging Houses and Public Room at Glebe Island; and £1,300 for extension of Circular Quay for the accommodation of Harbour Steamers.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt these Resolutions.

Question put and passed.

7. Coal Fields Regulation Bill, 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a second time. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

8. Gold Fields Bill 1861:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Walsh moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Question put for the adjournment of the Debate until to-morrow.

The House divided.

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. O'Brien, } Tellers.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Cowper, Mr. Markham,
Mr. Weekes, Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Cummings, Mr. Morris,
Mr. Redman, Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Dangar, Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Lewis, Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. J. Garrett, Mr. Wilson, } Tellers.
Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. T. Garrett,

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes,

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 7.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Markham,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Meston,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Dalglish,	Mr. Wilson,		
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Lewis,		
Mr. Redman,	Mr. T. Garrett,		
Mr. Daugar,			

Bill read a second time ; and, on motion of Mr. Cowper, ordered to be considered in Committee to-morrow.

9. Pitt-street Tramway Bill :—On motion of Mr. Arnold, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill ;—
Mr. Arnold moved, That this House do now adopt the said Amendments so agreed to. Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Arnold moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act for the construction of a Tramroad from the Redfern Railway Terminus to the Semi-Circular Quay.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

10. Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill of 1861, 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 enable Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with Manslaughter.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to enable Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with Manslaughter,*" with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which Amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

CORONERS' BAIL FOR MANSLAUGHTER BILL, OF 1861.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, in the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with Manslaughter,"—returned to the Legislative Council, with Message of 24 April, 1861.

CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Page 1, Clause 1, line 9. Omit "or his Deputy."

Page 1, Clause 2, line 18. Omit "or Deputy."

Page 1, Clause 3, line 23. Omit "or his Deputy."

Examined—

W. R. PIDDINGTON,
Deputy Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

11. Proof by Declaration Abolition Bill of 1861, 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 repeal certain Imperial Enactments as to modes of Proof in certain cases.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to repeal certain Imperial enactments as to modes of Proof in certain cases,*" returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

12. Temporary Acts Continuance Bill of 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for continuance of Temporary Acts,*"
Question put and passed.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act for continuance of Temporary Acts*" returns the same to the Legislative Council without Amendment.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24 April, 1861. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
13. Postponements :—
(1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 shall have been disposed of.
(2.) The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
14. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861, 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 fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24 April, 1861. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
15. Ways and Means :—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, further to consider of the Ways and Means to meet the Supply granted to Her Majesty.
The Chairman reported the following Resolutions :—
(6.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1861, the sum of £859,651 15s. 3d., be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.
(7.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Supplementary service of the year 1860, the sum of £21,355 0s. 10d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.
(8.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £10,000 be raised by the sale of Debentures secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, to defray the expense of enlarging the Australian Museum.
(9.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1861, the sum of £54,258 0s. 2d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.
(10.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £14,700 be raised by the sale of Debentures secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, to defray the expense of certain Public Works.
Mr. Weekes then moved, That this House do now adopt these Resolutions.
Question put and passed.
16. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861 :—Mr. Cowper having *presented* this Bill, Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Enforcing the payment of Rates made under the Municipalities Act of 1858,*" read a first time ; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
17. Appropriation Bill 1860-61 :—
(1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, certain sums, to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61.
Question put and passed ;—*Ordered*, that the Mover and Seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
(2.) Mr. Weekes having *presented* this Bill, Bill intituled "*A Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain sums to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the year 1860-61,*" read a first time ; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

18. Frederick Beer:—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice standing in the name of Captain Moriarty, That the Petition presented by Captain Moriarty on the 23rd April, from Braidwood, in reference to Frederick Beer, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
19. Motion dropped:—Mr. Terry not making the motion standing in his name, No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.
20. Alleged Aggressions on Chinamen at Lambing Flat:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of certain Chinese gold miners, complaining of the destruction of property by the Lambing Flat riots, presented by him on the 23rd instant, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
21. Tanners and Curriers:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of John Page, relating to Tanneries in the City of Sydney, presented by him on the 23rd instant, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
22. Postponement:—Mr. Morris postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Dick, No. 5 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday week.
23. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended Notice,—
(1.) That the Bill to Incorporate the Maitland and Morpeth Railway Company be referred to a Select Committee for their consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Rusden, Mr. Morris, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hannell, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Buchanan, and the Mover.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
24. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until "Three" o'clock to-morrow.
Mr. Wilson moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Three," with a view to the insertion in its place of the word "Seven."
Question,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.
Question,—That the word proposed to be inserted in the place of the word omitted be there inserted,—put and passed.
Question,—That this House do now adjourn until Seven o'clock to-morrow,—put and passed.
Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned at two minutes before Twelve o'clock, P.M., until to-morrow, at Seven o'clock, P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861; third reading.
2. Supply; Resumption of the Committee.
3. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Gold Fields Bill 1861; to be considered in Committee.
5. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861; second reading.
7. Appropriation Bill 1860-61; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
(1.) The name of the accused.
(2.) The nature of charge.
(3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
(4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
(5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
(6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
(7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
(8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.

2. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 - (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
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3. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill; third reading.
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FRIDAY, APRIL 26.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.

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 (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
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6. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

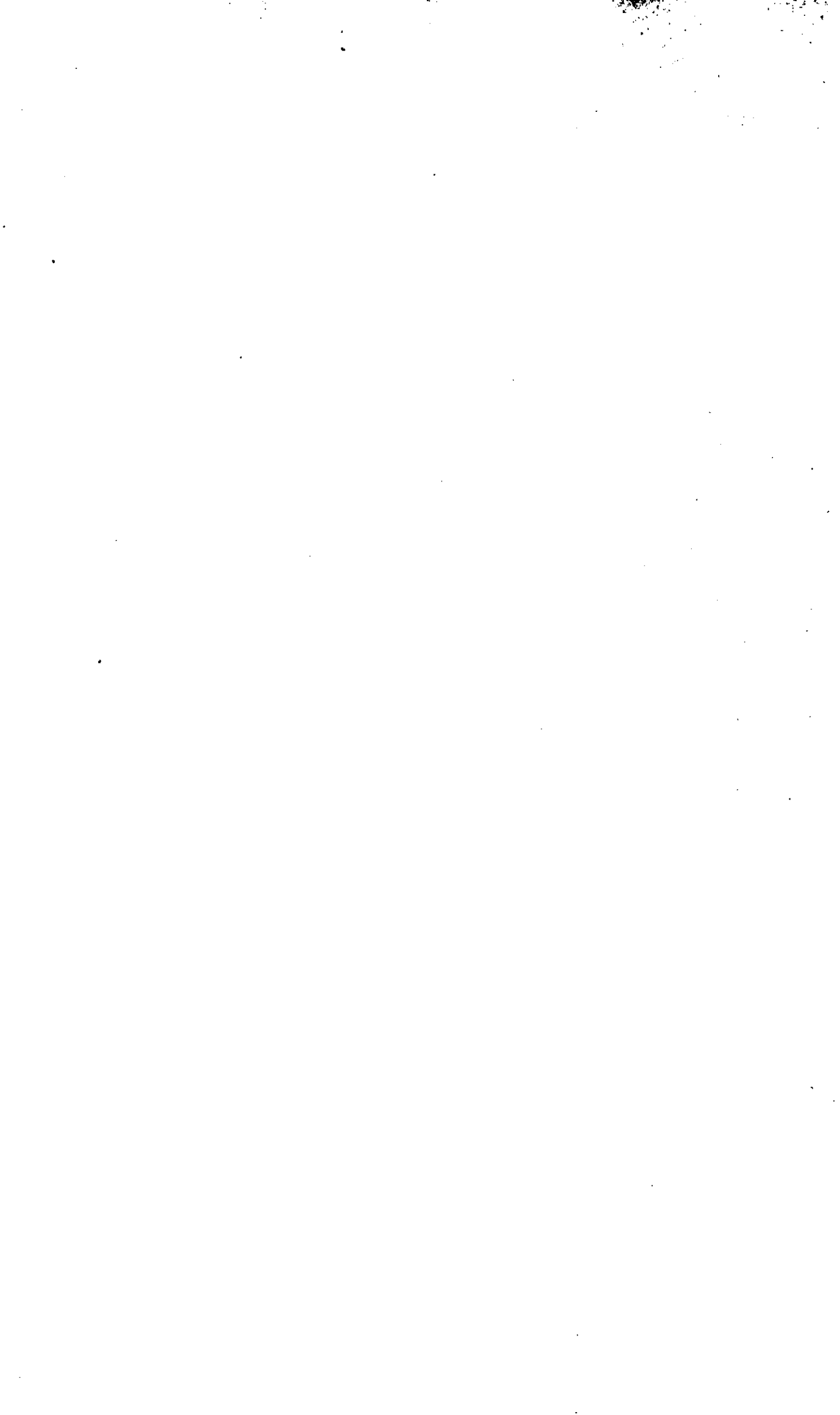
1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 25 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table a Return (in part) to an Address in reference to the Claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft, adopted on motion of Mr. Blake, on the 5th March, 1861.
2. Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861, 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 make better provision for the Custody and Care of Criminal Lunatics.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to make better provision for the Custody and Care of Criminal Lunatics,*" with the Amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which Amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25 April, 1861.

Speaker.

CRIMINAL LUNATICS BILL OF 1861.

SCHEDULE of the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "An Act to make better provision for the Custody and Care of "Criminal Lunatics,"—returned to the Legislative Council with Message of 25 April, 1861.

For CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
F. ELDERSHAW,
Clerk Assistant.

Page 2, clause 7, line 39. After "imprisonment," insert "for any period not exceeding twelve calendar months."

Examined,—

ROBERT WISDOM,
Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

3. Supply:—On the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Committee of Supply,—
Mr. Weekes moved, That this Order of the Day be discharged from the Paper.
Question put and passed.
4. Coal Fields Regulation Bill, 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported that objection having been taken in Committee to the introduction of a new clause which involved a charge upon the people, and which had neither originated in a Committee of the Whole House nor been recommended by the Crown, he had ruled the same to be inadmissible;
The Speaker ruled that the proposed new clause being clearly a tax upon the people, was therefore inadmissible.
The Committee then, on motion of Mr. Cowper, resumed.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments,—
Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this Report be now adopted.
Mr. Weekes moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the Bill be recommitted in order to the reconsideration of clauses 15 and 27."
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 the place of the words omitted, be there inserted,—put and passed.

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Question,—That the Bill be recommitted, in order to the reconsideration of clauses 15 and 27,—put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Chairman reported the Bill with further amendments.

Mr. Irving moved, That the Bill be recommitted, in order to the further consideration of clause 16.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 3.

Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Irving,
Mr. Dalgleish, } Tellers.

Noes, 35.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Haworth,
Mr. T. Garrett,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Redman,
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} Tellers.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Report from the Committee of the Whole House on this Bill be now adopted.

Question put and passed;—

And Bill, as so reported, ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

5. Gold Fields Bill, 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit until after Midnight,—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

6. Papers:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
 (1.) Return to an Address in reference to the proceedings of the Crown in the matter of the property of the late John Tawell; adopted, on motion of Mr. Parkes, on the 29th January, 1861.
 Ordered to be printed.
 (2.) Return to an Address in reference to proceedings taken on behalf of the Government on the subject of the boundaries of the "Tala" or "Moolpa" Run, adopted, on motion of Mr. Parkes, on the 3rd April, 1860.
7. Postponements:—
 (1.) The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
 (2.) The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Appropriation Bill of 1860-61 shall have been disposed of.
8. Appropriation Bill, 1860-61:—Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Morris,
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Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Sutherland,

} Tellers.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Redman,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Dalgleish,

} Tellers.

Bill read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

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 Question put and passed,—
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 Ordered to be printed.
 The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at Two o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26.

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2. MR. ROTTON to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY :—
 - (1.) What is the reason why Sergeant-Major Lawrence, of the Bathurst Mounted Patrol, was continued in suspension after his trial and acquittal of the offence for which he was suspended, coupled with an assurance from the Judge that he left the Court without a stain upon his character ?
 - (2.) Is he still in suspension ; or has he been dismissed the service ?
 - (3.) In either case, upon what charges ?
 - (4.) If any other charges have been made against him, what is the nature of them ?
 - (5.) Have they been investigated,—if so, by whom, and what is the report ?
 - (6.) Has Sergeant Lawrence been afforded any opportunity of disproving them, or explaining his conduct ?

TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (4.) A detailed account of the expenditure for Public Works, and expenses of working, distinguishing in such account between the permanent and temporary expenses.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Gold Fields Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

 WEDNESDAY, MAY 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

 TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. Mr. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 26 APRIL, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Papers :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Return to Address, in reference to Applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions, adopted, on motion of Mr. Hart, on the 12th October, 1860.
 - (2.) Despatch (with Enclosure) from the Duke of Newcastle, dated 1 February, 1861, relative to the Exhibition of the Works of Industry and Art of all Nations, to be holden in London in the year 1862.
Ordered to be printed.
2. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Mate presented a Petition from certain Members of the Church of England in the Town and District of Albury, in favour of the passing of this Bill.
Petition received.
3. Postponements :—
 - (1.) Mr. Cummings postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Tuesday next.
 - (2.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of Address for Proposed Pension to Lady Mitchell shall have been disposed of.
 - (3.) The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill shall have been disposed of.
 - (4.) The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Impounding Bill of 1861 postponed, on motion of Mr. Morris, until this day four weeks.
 - (5.) The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of Address for Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for forage &c., postponed, until the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill shall have been disposed of.
4. Hawkers' Licenses Amendment Bill :—Mr. Buchanan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
Order of the Day discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Buchanan.
Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Buchanan.
5. Proposed Wharf at Shellharbour :—On motion of Mr. Gray, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of an Address for Funds for.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—
Resolved, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £700, for the purpose of constructing a Wharf at Shellharbour.
Mr. Gray then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.
6. Assisted Immigration :—On motion of Mr. Rotton, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of an Address for Funds for.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—
Resolved, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that the sum of £50,000 may be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, to be expended in promoting Assisted Immigration to this Colony.
Mr. Rotton then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
Question put and passed.

7. Barristers' Admission Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Morris moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.
Mr. Gray moved, That the Question be amended, by the omission of the word "now," with a view to the insertion at the end, of the words "this day six months."
Debate ensued.
Question,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.
Question,—That the words proposed to be added be there added,—put and passed.
Question,—That this Bill be read a second time this day six months,—put and passed.
8. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—“That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council,”—postponed, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until Friday next.
9. Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Buchanan then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, “*An Act to limit the power of Justices of the Peace in certain cases.*”
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Buchanan moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, “*An Act to limit the power of Justices of the Peace in certain cases,*” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26 April, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

Ayes, 19.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Walsb,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Lewis,	} Tellers.
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lucas,		
Mr. Love,	Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Piddington,		
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Blake,		
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Driver,		
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Terry,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Irving,	Mr. Leary,		
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Dick,	Mr. Dickson,		
Mr. Meston,		Mr. Wisdom,		

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

SATURDAY, 27 APRIL, 1861, A.M.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, the sum of £200, as a pension to Lady Mitchell, widow of the late Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General of New South Wales, in consideration of the eminent services rendered by him to the Colony in his official capacity.
Mr. Wilson then moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
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 - (4.) A detailed account of the expenditure for Public Works, and expenses of working, distinguishing in such account between the permanent and temporary expenses.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire, whether the Lambing Flat Diggings are situate in the Western or Southern Districts of the Colony, and to take evidence which is the nearest road to and from Sydney to said Diggings,—whether by way of Goulburn or Bathurst.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members :—Mr. Rotton, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. J. N. Ryan, Mr. Markham, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover.

13. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
14. MR. DICK to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of taking into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not less than £350, to defray the Salary of a Police Magistrate for the Town and District of Tamworth.
15. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.
16. MR. DICKSON to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of such following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.
17. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a Sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
18. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from Mudgee, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
19. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 (1.) The name of the accused.
 (2.) The nature of charge.
 (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
20. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
21. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
22. MR. DICK to move,—
 (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
23. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.

24. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
25. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
26. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
27. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.
28. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
29. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
30. MR. SUTTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
31. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
32. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
33. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
34. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
35. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
36. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
37. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
38. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; second reading.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to raise a loan for certain Public Works.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Gold Fields Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861; third reading.
3. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Appropriation Bill 1860-1; third reading.
5. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

Questions :—

1. MR. DICKSON, to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—What legal difficulty (if any) exists in granting to the Trustees (approved of by the Government) the Maitland Pasturage Reserves, as recommended by a Select Committee, and afterwards confirmed by the House, last Session, which recommendation was subsequently adopted by the Executive?

2. MR. MARKHAM *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Are the Government Buildings at Port Macquarie, formerly used as Prisoners' Barracks, at present used for any public purpose?
 (2.) If so, for what purpose are they being used?
 (3.) What state of repair are those buildings in; and, if out of repair, what would be the probable cost of making them habitable, and available for occupation?
3. MR. DICK *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 (1.) Whether any instructions have been given by the Government to the Coroners directing them to hold Inquests on Fires?
 (2.) Has any Correspondence taken place between the City Coroner and the Government, relative to his holding an Inquest as to the occasion of the late fire in King-street?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, MAY 3.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY *to move*, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
 2. MR. DICK *to move*, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
 2. MR. ROTTON *to move*, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 30 APRIL, 1861.

1. There being only seventeen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cowper, Mr. Dalgleish, Mr. Dangar, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Markham, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Morris, Mr. J. N. Ryan, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Terry, Mr. Weckes, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Wisdom,—the Speaker took the Chair, and adjourned the House, at half-past Three o'clock, until Three o'clock To-morrow.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to raise a loan for certain Public Works.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. Gold Fields Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Coal Fields Regulation Bill 1861 ; third reading.
4. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
5. Appropriation Bill 1860-1 ; third reading.
6. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.

MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions :—

- (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
- (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
- (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
3. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."

4. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
5. MR. JOHN GARRETT to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the printing of Returns, Reports, and Evidence moved for and adopted on the motion of the Representative Members of the Legislative Assembly, shewing the amount incurred by each Member, during the Sessions of 1859-60, and 1860; also, the total cost of printing for the same Sessions for both Houses of Parliament.
6. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
7. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
8. MR. WALKER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
9. MR. PARKES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for the present year, a sum of money not exceeding £5,000, to establish Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland, such money to be expended as near as may be in the following manner:—£2,000 for Salaries for twelve months, of two Lecturers and General Agents; £1,000 for Travelling Expenses for such Lecturers; £500 for Shipping Agencies in principal Ports; £1,500 for printing, in cheap and popular form, copies of Land Acts, and other trustworthy information relating to this Colony.
10. MR. ATKINSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Government to dispose of the flock of alpacas, llamas, &c., now depasturing at Arthursleigh.
11. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That a Return be laid upon the Table of this House of the date of the Proclamation of each Municipality, under the Municipal Act of 1858, and in a tabular form,—
 - (1.) The amount of assessment.
 - (2.) The amount of rates received each year.
 - (3.) The amount of endowment.
 - (4.) A detailed account of the expenditure for Public Works, and expenses of working, distinguishing in such account between the permanent and temporary expenses.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire, whether the Lambing Flat Diggings are situate in the Western or Southern Districts of the Colony, and to take evidence which is the nearest road to and from Sydney to said Diggings,—whether by way of Goulburn or Bathurst.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members:—Mr. Rotton, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. J. N. Ryan, Mr. Markham, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover.
13. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That it is the opinion of this House, that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
14. MR. DICK to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of taking into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not less than £350, to defray the Salary of a Police Magistrate for the Town and District of Tamworth.
15. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 - (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.
16. MR. DICKSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members:—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.

17. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a Sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
18. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from Mudgee, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
19. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
- (1.) The name of the accused.
 - (2.) The nature of charge.
 - (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 - (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 - (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 - (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 - (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 - (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
20. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 - (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 - (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 - (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 - (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
21. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
22. MR. DICK to move,—
- (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
23. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 - (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
24. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
25. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A Tabular Return showing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
26. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
27. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—
- (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date, in the form of an Account Current.
 - (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date.

28. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 18th day of April, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
29. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
30. MR. SUTTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
31. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
32. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
33. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
34. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
35. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
36. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
37. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
38. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; second reading.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

Questions:—

1. MR. DICKSON, to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, (in the absence of the SECRETARY FOR LANDS,)—What legal difficulty (if any) exists in granting to the Trustees (approved of by the Government) the Maitland Pasturage Reserves, as recommended by a Select Committee, and afterwards confirmed by the House, last Session, which recommendation was subsequently adopted by the Executive?
2. MR. MARKHAM to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Are the Government Buildings at Port Macquarie, formerly used as Prisoners' Barracks, at present used for any public purpose?
 - (2.) If so, for what purpose are they being used?
 - (3.) What state of repair are those buildings in; and, if out of repair, what would be the probable cost of making them habitable, and available for occupation?
3. MR. DICK to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Whether any instructions have been given by the Government to the Coroners, directing them to hold Inquests on Fires?
 - (2.) Has any Correspondence taken place between the City Coroner and the Government, relative to his holding an Inquest as to the occasion of the late fire in King-street?

FRIDAY, MAY 3.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
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TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
 2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
 3. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
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FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 1 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill, on motion of Mr. Holroyd, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
 2. Paper :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table (Circular) Despatch from the Duke of Newcastle, dated 12 February, 1861, relative to Telegraphic Communication between Europe and Australia.
Ordered to be printed.
 3. Motions withdrawn :—Mr. Piddington withdrew the motions standing in his name, Nos. 27 and 28, on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
 4. Public Works Loan Bill, 1861 :—
 - (1.) Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works.
Question put and passed ;—*Ordered*, that the mover and seconder prepare and bring in the Bill.
 - (2.) Mr. Weekes having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, “ *A Bill to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works,*” read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
 5. Postponements :—
 - (1.) The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion, relative to the Great Seal of the Colony postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until this day week.
 - (2.) The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Gold Fields Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Cowper, until the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Appropriation Bill, 1860-1, shall have been disposed of.
 6. Coal Fields Regulation Bill, 1861, on motion of Mr. Cowper, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Cowper then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “ *An Act for the better regulation of Coal Fields and Collieries.*”
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, “ *An Act for the better regulation of Coal Fields and Collieries,*” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 1 May, 1861. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
7. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Gold Fields Bill, 1861, shall have been disposed of.
 8. Appropriation Bill 1860-1, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “ *An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the year 1860-1.*”
Question put and passed.

Whereupon

Whereupon, Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the year 1860-1,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 1 May, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

9. Gold Fields Bill, 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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.

10. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.

11. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Wilson's Settlement Investment Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Trustees of a Settlement made by Mr. Joseph Wilson of Land at Balmain to sell the said Land and to make provision for the investment of the proceeds of the sale thereof,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1 May, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

- (2.) Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with Manslaughter.*"

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30 April, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

- (3.) Criminal Lunatics Bill of 1861:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to make better provision for the custody and care of Criminal Lunatics.*"

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30 April, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

- (4.) Members of Council Qualification Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to declare the Law relative to the Qualification of Members of the Legislative Council,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly, for its concurrence.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30 April, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Walsh, read a first time; ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.

12. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of this Bill.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight:—

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And the Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment,—the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

13. Postponements:—The following motions standing on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, postponed, respectively, until Tuesday next, on motion of the Members named:—

(1.) No. 1, in the name of Mr. Parkes, by Mr. Parkes.

(2.) No. 2, in the name of Mr. J. Garrett, by Mr. Markham, on his behalf.

(3.) Nos. 3 and 4, in the name of Mr. Eckford, by Mr. Driver, on his behalf.

14. Motion dropped:—Mr. John Garrett not making the motion standing in his name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

15. Postponements:—The following motions, standing on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, postponed, respectively, until Tuesday next, on motion of the Members named:—
 (1.) No. 6, in the name of Mr. Lucas, by Mr. Lucas.
 (2.) No. 7, in the name of Mr. Morris, by Mr. Morris.
16. Proposed Public Wharf at Windsor:—Mr. Walker moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.
 Question put and passed.
17. Proposed Adjournment:—Mr. Dalgleish moved, That this House do now adjourn until three o'clock to-morrow.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 6.
 Mr. Hannell,
 Mr. Hoskins,
 Mr. Cummings,
 Mr. Piddington,
 Mr. Lewis,
 Mr. Dalgleish, } Tellers.

Noes, 28.
 Mr. Cowper,
 Mr. Weekes,
 Mr. Lucas,
 Mr. O'Brien,
 Mr. Shepherd,
 Mr. Walsh,
 Mr. Wilson,
 Mr. Windeyer,
 Mr. Morris,
 Mr. Parkes,
 Mr. Walker,
 Mr. Markham,
 Mr. Sutherland,
 Mr. Dangar,
 Mr. Rusden,
 Mr. Mate,
 Mr. Caldwell,
 Mr. Morrice,
 Mr. Douglas,
 Mr. Buchanan,
 Mr. Laycock,
 Mr. Cunneen,
 Mr. Dickson,
 Mr. Daniel,
 Mr. J. N. Ryan,
 Mr. Wisdom,
 Mr. Driver,
 Mr. Dick, } Tellers.

18. Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for the present year, a sum of money not exceeding £5,000, to establish Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland, such money to be expended as near as may be in the following manner:—£2,000 for Salaries for twelve months, of two Lecturers and General Agents; £1,000 for Travelling Expenses for such Lecturers; £500 for Shipping Agencies in principal Ports; £1,500 for printing, in cheap and popular form, copies of Land Acts, and other trustworthy information relating to this Colony.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion made by Mr. Piddington, and Question put,—That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday next.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 7.
 Mr. Cummings,
 Mr. Morrice,
 Mr. Piddington,
 Mr. Suttor,
 Mr. Hannell,
 Mr. Hoskins,
 Mr. Dalgleish, } Tellers.

Noes, 29.
 Mr. Cowper,
 Mr. Weekes,
 Mr. Lucas,
 Mr. Dick,
 Mr. O'Brien,
 Mr. Windeyer,
 Mr. Wilson,
 Mr. Parkes,
 Mr. Morris,
 Mr. Shepherd,
 Mr. Dangar,
 Mr. Mate,
 Mr. Lewis,
 Mr. Meston,
 Mr. Douglas,
 Mr. Sutherland,
 Mr. Markham,
 Mr. Caldwell,
 Mr. Walker,
 Mr. Laycock,
 Mr. Cunneen,
 Mr. J. N. Ryan,
 Mr. Buchanan,
 Mr. Daniel,
 Mr. Atkinson,
 Mr. Walsh,
 Mr. Driver,
 Mr. Dickson, } Tellers.
 Mr. Rusden,

Original Question stated.

Debate continued.

Motion made by Mr. Hannell, and Question put and *negatived*,—That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock to-morrow.

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.
 Mr. Cowper,
 Mr. Weekes,
 Mr. Hoskins,
 Mr. O'Brien,
 Mr. Caldwell,
 Mr. Windeyer,
 Mr. Wilson,
 Mr. Lucas,
 Mr. Parkes,
 Mr. Shepherd,
 Mr. Mate,
 Mr. Rusden,
 Mr. Lewis,
 Mr. Meston,
 Mr. Dangar,
 Mr. Douglas,
 Mr. Driver,
 Mr. Sutherland,
 Mr. Dickson,
 Mr. Cunneen,
 Mr. Laycock,
 Mr. Buchanan,
 Mr. Walsh,
 Mr. Daniel,
 Mr. J. N. Ryan,
 Mr. Atkinson,
 Mr. Dick,
 Mr. Wisdom,
 Mr. Markham,
 Mr. Morris, } Tellers.

Noes, 4.
 Mr. Cummings,
 Mr. Morrice,
 Mr. Hannell,
 Mr. Dalgleish, } Tellers.

19. Postponement :—Mr. Atkinson postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 10 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, until Friday next.
20. Motion dropped :—Mr. J. Garrett not making the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

21. Lambing Flat Diggings :—Mr. Cummings moved, pursuant to notice,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire, whether the Lambing Flat Diggings are situate in the Western or Southern Districts of the Colony, and to take evidence which is the nearest road to and from Sydney to said Diggings,—whether by way of Goulburn or Bathurst.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members :—Mr. Rotton, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. J. N. Ryan, Mr. Markham, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Hannell demanding that the Committee be appointed by Ballot,—

Question (1.) put,—That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire, whether the Lambing Flat Diggings are situate in the Western or Southern Districts of the Colony, and to take evidence which is the nearest road to and from Sydney to said Diggings,—whether by way of Goulburn or Bathurst.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Daniel,	

Noes, 24.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Morris,	

22. Proposed Adjournment :—Mr. Piddington moved, That this House do now adjourn until "Three" o'clock, p.m., this day.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Driver moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Three," with a view to the insertion in its place of the word "Seven."

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Meston,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Suttor,	Mr. Lucas,	

Noes, 9.

Mr. Driver,	} Tellers.
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Morris,	
Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Daniel,	

Original Question then put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Lewis,	} Tellers.
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Lucas,	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weckes,	Mr. Rusden,	
Mr. J. N. Ryan,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Daniel,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Caldwell,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Morris,	

23. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Cummings withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 13 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

24. Proposed Salary for Police Magistrate for Tamworth :—Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of taking into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of not less than £350, to defray the Salary of a Police Magistrate for the Town and District of Tamworth.

Mr.

Mr. Piddington moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday next.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Walker, } Tellers.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Sutor,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Walsh, } Tellers.

Original Question stated.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put, That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Sutor,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Piddington, } Tellers.

Noes, 19.

Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Wilson, } Tellers.

Original Question then put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Sutor,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Markham, } Tellers.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Walker, } Tellers.

25. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until "Three" o'clock, p.m., this day.

Mr. Driver moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of the word "Three," with a view to the insertion in its place of the word "Seven."

Question put, That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Sutor,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Dalgleish, } Tellers.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Morris,
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Daniel,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Driver, } Tellers.

Original Question then put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at a quarter before Three o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MAY 2.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Public Works Loan Bill, 1861 ; second reading.
2. Gold Fields Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861 ; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—
 - (1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts ; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, 19 Vict., 27, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date.
 - (2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date, in the form of an Account Current.
2. MR. PIDDINGTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 1st day of May, 1861 ; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account ; the Reserves under Special Accounts ; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.
3. MR. RUSDEN to move,—
 - (1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.
4. MR. DICKSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.
5. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a Sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
6. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from Mudgoc, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
7. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 - (1.) The name of the accused.
 - (2.) The nature of charge.
 - (3.) The names of committing Justices ; the date of committal ; and whether to bail or custody.
 - (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 - (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at ; and by whom.
 - (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused ; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 - (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 - (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
8. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.

(3.)

- (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
9. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
10. MR. DICK to move,—
 (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
11. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
12. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
13. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
14. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
15. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
16. MR. SUTOR to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
17. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
18. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
19. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
20. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
21. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
22. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
23. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
24. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; second reading.
2. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

Questions:—

1. MR. LAYCOCK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Whether the Government are aware that the late floods have washed away the greater portion of the centre of the Cook's River Dam, nothing remaining but a narrow track?
 (2.) If so, are the Government prepared to call for tenders for the substantial and permanent repair of the aforesaid Dam?
2. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Resolution for the consideration of this Assembly, during the present Session, relative to the dismemberment of any portion of the Colony?

FRIDAY, MAY 3.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
2. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill; second reading.
3. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.
4. Proposed Public Wharf at Windsor; consideration in Committee of Address for Funds for.
5. Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland; consideration in Committee of Address for Funds for.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HART to move,—
(1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
(2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
2. MR. ATKINSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Government to dispose of the flock of alpacas, llamas, &c., now depasturing at Arthursleigh.

Questions :—

1. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
(1.) If he is aware that, by reason of there not being two Magistrates present at the Court House, Rylstone, on the 16th April (being the annual Licensing Day), the whole of the publicans in that district, some of whom had, with their sureties, travelled upwards of twenty-seven miles for the purpose, were unable to procure a renewal of their licenses, and that an adjourned meeting had lapsed in consequence of there being no Justice on the day to which such meeting stood adjourned?
(2.) Is there any Justice of the Peace now resident in the District?
(3.) If not, will the Government direct the Police Magistrate at Mudgee or Hartley to hold Courts of Petty Sessions at Rylstone, or what other steps will the Government take to provide for the Administration of Justice in the last-mentioned District?
2. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Returns relative to Letters Patent, or Letters of Registration, laid by him on the Table, on the 26th April last, comprise all the applications made up to the date when the Returns were ordered, viz., 12th October, 1860?

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
3. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
4. MR. DANIEL to move,—
(1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
(2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.

6. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
- (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
7. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
8. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
9. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
10. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.

Question:—

1. MR. HOLROYD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If he has a Licensed Publicans' Act prepared; and if he has, has he any objection to lay it on the Table of the House and have it printed, in order that it may be ventilated before the next Session of Parliament?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 2 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.
Restoration of Documents produced before a Select Committee :—Mr. Windeyer, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That the Clerk have leave to return to Mr. Maxwell, a witness examined before the Select Committee on the Sydney Grammar School, during the Session 1859-60, certain original certificates laid before that Committee.
Question put and passed.
2. Court House at Black Creek :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of Black Creek, in the Police District of Maitland, praying for the establishment of a Court House at Black Creek.
Petition received.
3. Pymont Railway Terminus :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from the Directors of the Pymont Bridge Company, setting forth that they had incurred considerable expenditure in the prosecution of their work, on the understanding that the Pymont Railway Terminus would be completed by the Government, and praying that such Terminus and relative works should, with as little delay as possible, be completed and made available for the public.
Petition received.
4. Alleged Aggression on a Chinese Storekeeper at Lambing Flat :—Mr. Parkes presented a Petition from Kew Loong Pow, a licensed storekeeper at Lambing Flat, setting forth that he, with the rest of his countrymen, were driven from those diggings and his property destroyed ; and praying relief.
Petition received.
5. Daniel Lynch :—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from Daniel Lynch, lately an employé in the General Post Office, Sydney, setting forth that he had been struck off pay in that establishment in consequence of illness contracted in the discharge of a public duty, and praying relief.
Petition received.
6. Paper :—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table a Report from the Commissioner in charge of the Southern Gold Fields on the Petition of Su San Ling Doh, respecting alleged losses sustained by him from aggressions of certain Europeans at Lambing Flat.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Public Works Loan Bill, 1861, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a second time.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.
8. Gold Fields Bill, 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House 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 at a later period of the day.
9. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861, postponed, on motion of Mr. Weekes, until to-morrow.
10. Municipal Rates Enforcement Bill of 1861, 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 provide for enforcing the payment of Rates made under the Municipalities Act of 1858.*"
Question put and passed.

Whereupon

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to provide for enforcing the payment of Rates made under the Municipalities Act of 1858,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2 May, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

11. Gold Fields Bill, 1861 :—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman reported, That attention having been called to the state of the Committee, he had counted the same, and found that there was not a quorum of Members present.

The Speaker counted the House, and finding a quorum of Members present, again left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with amendments, Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this Report be now adopted.

Mr. Weekes moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That," with a view to the insertion in their place of the words "the Bill be recommitted," in order to the reconsideration of Clause 3.

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 the place of the words omitted, be there inserted,—put and passed.

Question,—That the Bill be recommitted, in order to the reconsideration of Clause 3,—put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with a further amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time to-morrow.

12. Message:—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
West Maitland Church Land Sale Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Lord Bishop of Newcastle as Trustee of certain Land situated in the Town of West Maitland to sell the said Land and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds of such sale,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 2 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,

President.

13. Revenue Returns and Expenditure for 1860 :—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House :—

(1.) A Return containing an account of the total receipts of the Revenue of the Colony, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts; and, also, an account of the payments and expenditure for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, 19 Vict., 27, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, to the present date.

(2.) An Account shewing the total amount chargeable on the Consolidated Revenue Fund Account, for the year 1860, excluding Loans' Account, Assessment on Sheep Account, Church and School Estate Fund, and Lodgment Accounts, and remaining unpaid upon this date, in the form of an Account Current.

Question put and passed.

14. Treasury Balances :—Mr. Piddington moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the Balances in the Treasury on the 1st day of May, 1861; distinguishing the amount derived from the proceeds of sale of Debentures from the sum at the credit of the ordinary Revenue Account; the Reserves under Special Accounts; and also the Balances at the credit of the Lodgment Accounts, and the distribution of the Balances.

Question put and passed.

16. System of Tendering for Runs :—Mr. Rusden moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the Progress Report brought up by him, and ordered to be printed on the 26th of March, on the System of Tendering for Runs, be now adopted.

(2.) That a Copy of the said Report and Evidence be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that he would be pleased to take into consideration the recommendations contained therein.

Debate ensued.

And

And the House continuing to sit until after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 3 MAY, 1861, A.M.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Irving,	} Tellers.
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Perry,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Rusden,	

Noes, 17.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Laycock,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. J. N. Ryan,		

16. Claims of the Reverend W. B. Clarke:—Mr. Shepherd, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Claims of the Reverend W. B. Clarke had been referred on the 12th March last. Ordered to be printed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at five minutes past Twelve o'clock, A.M., until Three o'clock, P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, MAY 3.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move (*on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Message of the Administrator of the Government, No. 8*), That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government in reference to the raising of a sum of £50,000 by loan for the purposes of Assisted Immigration.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council.
2. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill; second reading.
3. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.
4. Proposed Public Wharf at Windsor; consideration in Committee of Address for Funds for.
5. Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland; consideration in Committee of Address for Funds for.
6. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; second reading.
7. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill; to be considered in Committee.
8. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
9. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
 - (2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
2. MR. ATKINSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Government to dispose of the flock of alpacas, llamas, &c., now depasturing at Arthursleigh.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the Correspondence which has taken place with reference to the appointment of Trustees for expending the money voted by this House for repairing that portion of the Great North Road, situated between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry, including the letter written by B. C. Rodd, Esq., recommending the appointment of a fresh Trustee, viz., Mr. Patrick; the letter withdrawing that recommendation; the letter

- letter recommending the appointment of Mr. Lyons; the resolutions, and other documents, forwarded by the Chairman of a public meeting, held at St. Alban's School-house, Five Dock; the petition presented by Mr. Rodd, with the names attached thereto; and all Correspondence connected with the appointment of such Trustees.
4. MR. LUCAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money voted since the 1st of January, 1856, for the repairs of that portion of the Great North Road, situate between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry.
 - (2.) To whom the money has been entrusted.
 - (3.) Whether one of the trustees is a continual resident of New South Wales.
 - (4.) The names of the persons who have been employed to supply materials or labor; the amount paid to each individual, and the date of such payment.
 5. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That it is the opinion of this House that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale should be carried out with as little delay as possible, and that the Government will make the necessary arrangements for carrying out these works as soon as possible.
 6. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the depositions in the case of a prisoner named Purcell found guilty of robbery, (part of the stolen property being found in his possession,) before the Police Court of Sydney, and sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and afterwards liberated.
 7. MR. PARKES to move, That the petition from certain inhabitants of Black Creek, the petition from Directors of Pymont Bridge Company, and the petition of Kew Loong Pow, presented by him on the 2nd instant, be printed.
 8. MR. DICKSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.
 9. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a Sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
 10. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from Mudgee, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
 11. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 - (1.) The name of the accused.
 - (2.) The nature of charge.
 - (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 - (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 - (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 - (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 - (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 - (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
 12. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 - (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 - (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 - (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 - (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
 13. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.

14. MR. DICK to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
15. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 - (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
16. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Lang, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances.
17. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
18. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
19. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
20. MR. SUTTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
21. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
22. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
23. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
24. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
25. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
26. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
27. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
28. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will enable him to introduce, and carry through all its stages in one day, a Bill to raise by loan the sum of £50,000, for the purpose of Assisted Immigration.
2. MR. COWPER to move, That this House do, at its rising this day, adjourn till Monday, the 6th instant, and that Government Business take precedence on that day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Public Works Loan Bill, 1861 ; third reading.
2. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Gold Fields Bill 1861 ; third reading.

Question :—

1. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) If he is aware that, by reason of there not being two Magistrates present at the Court House, Rylstone, on the 16th April (being the annual Licensing Day), the whole of the publicans in that district, some of whom had, with their sureties, travelled upwards of twenty-seven miles for the purpose, were unable to procure a renewal of their licenses, and that an adjourned meeting had lapsed in consequence of there being no Justice on the day to which such meeting stood adjourned ?
 - (2.) Is there any Justice of the Peace now resident in the District ?
 - (3.) If not, will the Government direct the Police Magistrate at Mudgee or Hartley to hold Courts of Petty Sessions at Rylstone, or what other steps will the Government take to provide for the Administration of Justice in the last-mentioned District ?
2. MR. HART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Returns relative to Letters Patent, or Letters of Registration, laid by him on the Table, on the 26th April last, comprise all the applications made up to the date when the Returns were ordered, viz., 12th October, 1860 ?

3. MR. WINDEYER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have the Government accepted any contract for a punt over the Williams, at Raymond Terrace, for which the money was voted last year; and, if not, what steps have been taken in the matter?
4. MR. DICK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government are aware that the Government of Victoria have refused to transmit by telegraph shipping intelligence without payment; and, if so, has any correspondence taken place on the subject?

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
3. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
4. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
6. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
7. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being “wilful trespass,” “vagrancy,” and “being in dread of his life.”
8. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
9. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
10. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the creation of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
11. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, embodying the following Resolutions; and requesting, that His Excellency may be graciously pleased to submit such Resolutions for the consideration of the Executive Council:—
 - (1.) That it is not expedient for this Colony to increase the Public Debt, further than by the sums voted this Session of Parliament, seeing that the interest on the debt already contracted is becoming oppressive, being about £180,000 annually, and that no provision has yet been made to liquidate any portion of such debt.
 - (2.) That the state of Internal Communication in the Colony is so very bad that it is almost impossible to convey goods into the Interior, or produce thence to the Seaports, or to market; that a large expenditure on the repairs of the public roads, or in the construction of tramways, has become absolutely essential to the vitality of the Colony.
 - (3.) That the Colony possesses large sources of revenue lying dormant, and it is expedient that these should now be developed and applied solely to internal improvements.
 - (4.)

(4.) That goods free of duty are admitted into our ports to the amount of about four millions sterling annually,—it is both expedient and just that such goods should be subjected to specific and discriminating Duties of Customs, on such principles as will return the largest revenue, encourage home productions, and be at the same time as little burdensome to the industry of the Colony as possible.

Questions :—

1. MR. HOLROYD *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If he has a Licensed Publicans' Act prepared ; and if he has, has he any objection to lay it on the Table of the House and have it printed, in order that it may be ventilated before the next Session of Parliament?
2. MR. HOSKINS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to station two Police Constables in the Township of Uralla, New England, in accordance with the provision made by the Legislative Assembly for that purpose?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

Questions :—

1. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What public works money has been voted for by previous Parliaments, since he filled the office of Minister for Works, that have not been commenced, or, having been commenced, have been suspended, and the amount voted for each work?
 - (2.) At what rates of wages did the different officials prepare the estimates for such works, specifying the daily wages of the following tradesmen who would be employed in their construction, viz. :—Stonemasons, bricklayers, carpenters and joiners, ordinary labourers, quarrymen, and cartage ; and, where wrought iron was requisite, the price per pound or hundred-weight ; also the price per cubic foot of heavy timber, and the price per hundred feet of ordinary building timber ; also the cost of bricks delivered at such works?
2. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If the whole amounts voted by former Parliaments for the construction of Public Works, since he took office, which have not been expended on such works, are still to the credit of the Government, to be appropriated to such expenditure.

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 3 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Pyrmont Railway Terminus:—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition, from certain inhabitants of Sydney and its neighbourhood, praying that such steps may be taken, without delay, as may appear best calculated to lead to the speedy completion of the Pyrmont Railway Terminus.
 Petition received.
2. Postponements:—Mr. Cowper, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That all the business on the Paper be postponed, to give precedence to the Notice of Motion, standing No. 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for this day.
 Question put and passed.
3. Special Meeting of the Assembly:—Mr. Cowper then moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do, at its rising this day, adjourn till Monday, the 6th instant, and that Government Business take precedence on that day.
 Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Cumneen,	
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Dangar,		

Noes, 4.

Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.
Mr. Meston,	
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Lucas,	

4. Jane Cockburn, late Office Cleaner employed in the Immigration Department:—Mr. Driver presented a Petition from Jane Cockburn, late Office Cleaner employed in the Immigration Department, setting forth her services in that capacity, without remuneration, and praying relief.
 Petition received.
5. William Henry:—On the Order of the Day being read for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Parkes' motion,—That the Report of the Select Committee of the late Legislative Assembly on the Petition of William Henry, be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with a request that the recommendations therein contained may receive the favorable consideration of the Executive Council,—
 Mr. Parkes moved, That this Order be discharged from the Paper.
 Question put and passed.
6. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill:—Mr. Holroyd moved, That this Bill: be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 16.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Flett,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Dick,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Walsh,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Morris,		

} Tellers.

Bill read a second time.

Whereupon Mr. Holroyd moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Dick moved as an amendment, That all the words following the word "That" be omitted, with the view of inserting in their place the words, "the consideration in "Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next."

Debate ensued.

(Interruption.)

7. Assent to Bills:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 8.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Sydney University Incorporation Act*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 9.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend so much of the 'Tolls Amendment Act of 1857,' as relates to Broad Wheels*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 10.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner to issue Writs of Summons and Arrest at the Port of Newcastle*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 11.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act for the construction of a Tramroad from the Redfern Railway Terminus to the Semi-Circular Quay*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 13.

Administrator of the Government.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to repeal certain Imperial Enactments as to modes of Proof in certain cases*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

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JOHN YOUNG,
Administrator of the Government.

Message No. 14.

A Bill intituled "*An Act for Continuance of Temporary Acts*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Administrator of the Government, for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

8. Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1861:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government received and read:—

JOHN YOUNG,
Administrator of the Government.

Message No. 12.

In compliance with the Resolution of the Legislative Assembly, His Excellency transmits a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, wherein provision is made for the expenditure of £50,000 towards promoting Assisted Immigration to this Colony.

Government House,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Supplementary Estimate, and taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole on Monday next.

9. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill:—The Debate recorded in entry 6, (interrupted by the Messages recorded in entries 7 and 8) resumed.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 19.		Noes, 12.	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Cunncen,	Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Daugar,	Mr. Meston,	Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Flett,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Driver,		
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Holroyd,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Hart,		
Mr. Hoskins,			

Original Question put and passed;—Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time on Monday next.

10. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Members of Council Qualification Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. Walsh, until Tuesday next.
11. Proposed Public Wharf at Windsor:—On motion of Mr. Walker, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of an Address for Funds for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum of money not exceeding £500, for the purpose of building a public wharf at Windsor.

Mr. Walker then moved, That the House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

12. Postponements:—Mr. Cowper, with the concurrence of the House, moved without previous notice, That all the business on the Paper be postponed, to give precedence to Orders of the Day standing as Orders 1 and 3 of Government Business on the Paper for this day.
Question put and passed.

13. Public Works Loan Bill, 1861, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works*."

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works*," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

14. Gold Fields Bill, 1861, 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 the Laws relating to the Gold Fields*."
Question put and passed.

Whereupon,

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled, "*An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Gold Fields,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

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15. Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland :—On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address for Funds to establish Emigration Agencies and Lectureships in Great Britain and Ireland.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution :—

Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for the present year, a sum of money not exceeding £5,000, to provide for the Salaries and Travelling Expenses of Emigration Agents and Lecturers in Great Britain and Ireland, and to defray the expenses of Printing for circulation, in a cheap and popular form, throughout the United Kingdom, copies of Land Acts, and other trustworthy information relating to this Colony,—

Mr. Parkes then moved, That the House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

16. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.

Mr. Hannell moved as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, with the view of adding the words, "this day six months" at the end of the Question. Debate ensued,—

And the House continuing to sit until after Midnight,—

SATURDAY, 4 MAY, 1861, A.M.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Morris,
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Driver,

} Tellers.

Noes, 8.

Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Flett,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lucas,

} Tellers.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time. The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Shepherd,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Daniel,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Markham,

} Tellers.

Noes, 8.

Mr. Flett,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hannell,

} Tellers.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for "Monday" next.

Mr. Piddington moved, as an amendment, that the word "Monday" be omitted, with the view of inserting in its stead the word "Friday."

Debate ensued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes,

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Cummings,	} Tellers.
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Flett,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Suttor,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Shepherd,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Markham,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Cunneen,		

Noes, 5.

Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. Hamell,	
Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Lucas,	

Question,—That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Monday next,—put and passed.

17. Messages :—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

(1.) Hosking's Trust Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council, having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to authorize the Sale and Exchange of Property held in trust for Mrs. Martha Foxlowe Hosking and her issue,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(2.) Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company's Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill intituled, "*An Act to Incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Company called the 'Clarence and Richmond Rivers Steam Navigation Company' and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(3.) Mackenzie's Marriage Settlement Trustees Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to confer powers to sell and grant Building Leases upon the Trustees of the Marriage Settlement of William Henry Mackenzie and Helen his wife,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(4.) Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Mr. Cowper moved, That the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for Monday next. Question put and passed.

18. Present System of Tendering for the Public Service :—Mr. Windeyer, as Chairman, brought up a Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report the present System of Tendering for the Public Service was referred on the 29th January last.
Ordered to be printed.
19. Property Law and Trustees Relief Bill :—The Order for the consideration of this Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, discharged from the Paper.
Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Parkes.
20. Colonial Bank of Australasia Incorporation Bill :—The Order for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill, on motion of Mr. Parkes, discharged from the Paper.
Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Parkes.
21. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of an Address for Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c., postponed, on motion of Mr. Sutherland, until Monday next.
22. Special Adjournment :—The House Adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at fifteen minutes past One o'clock, A.M., until *Monday next at Seven o'clock, P.M.*

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

MONDAY, MAY 6.

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. WEEKES to move (*on the Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Message of the Administrator of the Government, No. 12*), That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government in reference to the raising of a sum of £50,000 by loan for the purposes of Assisted Immigration.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COWPER to move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to Her Majesty, deprecating any further dismemberment of the Territory of New South Wales on the Northern Boundary of the Colony.
2. MR. WEEKES to move, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will enable him to introduce, and carry through all its stages in one day, a Bill to raise by loan the sum of £50,000, for the purposes of Assisted Immigration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Consideration of Message No. 12 of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with the accompanying Supplementary Estimate.
2. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
3. Customs Inland Bonding Bill 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DICK to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, telegrams between this and the adjacent Colonies, relating to the arrival and departure of Shipping, should be transmitted without payment.
 - (2.) That it is desirable that the Government should endeavour to effect arrangements for that purpose.
2. MR. HART to move,—
 - (1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
 - (2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
3. MR. ATKINSON to move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Government to dispose of the flock of alpacas, llamas, &c., now depasturing at Arthursleigh.
4. MR. LUCAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the Correspondence which has taken place with reference to the appointment of Trustees for expending the money voted by this House for repairing that portion of the Great North Road, situated between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry, including the letter written by B. C. Rodd, Esq., recommending the appointment of a fresh Trustee, viz., Mr. Patrick; the letter withdrawing that recommendation; the letter recommending the appointment of Mr. Lyons; the resolutions, and other documents, forwarded by the Chairman of a public meeting, held at St. Alban's Schoolhouse, Five Dock; the petition presented by Mr. Rodd, with the names attached thereto; and all Correspondence connected with the appointment of such Trustees.
5. MR. LUCAS to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of money voted since the 1st of January, 1856, for the repairs of that portion of the Great North Road, situate between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry.
 - (2.) To whom the money has been entrusted.
 - (3.) Whether one of the trustees is a continual resident of New South Wales.
 - (4.) The names of the persons who have been employed to supply materials or labor; the amount paid to each individual, and the date of such payment.
6. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That it is the opinion of this House that Railroad extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale should be carried out with as little delay as possible, and that the Government will make the necessary arrangements for carrying out these works as soon as possible.
7. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the depositions in the case of a prisoner named Purcel found guilty of robbery, (part of the stolen property being found in his possession,) before the Police Court of Sydney, and sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and afterwards liberated.

8. MR. PARKES to move, That the petition from certain inhabitants of Black Creek, the petition from Directors of Pymont Bridge Company, and the petition of Kew Loong Pow, presented by him on the 2nd instant, be printed.
9. MR. DICKSON to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allegations contained in the Petition of the Inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity, presented to this House on the 12th March last, having reference to the Railway Obstruction to the Gaol and Court House Reserve, and that such Committee have power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members,—Mr. Arnold, Mr. Lesley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Rusden, Mr. Meston, Mr. Eckford, and the Mover.
10. MR. SHEPHERD to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a Sum not exceeding £500, for the purpose of making a Public Wharf at Ryde, Kissing Point.
11. MR. TERRY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd instant, from Mudgee, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
12. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
- (1.) The name of the accused.
 - (2.) The nature of charge.
 - (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 - (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 - (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 - (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 - (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 - (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
13. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 - (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 - (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 - (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 - (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 - (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
14. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the letter from Mr. Inspector General Spain to the Colonial Secretary in 1851, stating his reason for recommending Mr. De Philipsthal in place of Mr. Gerald Halligan, to the situation of second class Clerk in the office of the Inspector General of Police.
15. MR. DICK to move,—
- (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. N. L. Kentish, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 19th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
16. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
 - (2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for mail guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
17. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That the Petition of James Davidson, presented to the Legislative Assembly, on the 24th April, 1860, by the Rev. Dr. Laug, be referred to the Committee now sitting on Grievances
18. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 - (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.

19. MR. GRAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
20. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April from Tu Lim Pow, be printed.
21. MR. SUTOR to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from Molong, in favor of the Synod Bill, be printed.
22. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by him on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
23. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
24. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 16th April, from the residents of the Municipality of Albury be printed.
25. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
26. MR. PARKES to move, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
27. MR. C. COWPER, JUNR., to move, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
28. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and laborers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
29. MR. DRIVER to move, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Three o'clock on Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill; third reading.
2. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; to be considered in Committee.
3. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
3. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
4. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
6. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
7. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
8. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.

9. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
10. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
11. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, embodying the following Resolutions; and requesting, that His Excellency may be graciously pleased to submit such Resolutions for the consideration of the Executive Council :—
- (1.) That it is not expedient for this Colony to increase the Public Debt, further than by the sums voted this Session of Parliament, seeing that the interest on the debt already contracted is becoming oppressive, being about £180,000 annually, and that no provision has yet been made to liquidate any portion of such debt.
- (2.) That the state of Internal Communication in the Colony is so very bad that it is almost impossible to convey goods into the Interior, or produce thence to the Seaports, or to market; that a large expenditure on the repairs of the public roads, or in the construction of tramways, has become absolutely essential to the vitality of the Colony.
- (3.) That the Colony possesses large sources of revenue lying dormant, and it is expedient that these should now be developed and applied solely to internal improvements.
- (4.) That goods free of duty are admitted into our ports to the amount of about four millions sterling annually,—it is both expedient and just that such goods should be subjected to specific and discriminating Duties of Customs, on such principles as will return the largest revenue, encourage home productions, and be at the same time as little burdensome to the industry of the Colony as possible.
12. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Tabulated Return, shewing the sectional area of the waterways or openings of the bridges, viaducts, and culverts, which, previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in this Colony, it was intended to construct; also those planned on the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, or altered, by that officer; those portions which have been reconstructed in consequence of having been swept away by floods; how often such reconstruction has been repeated; those portions which have been repaired in consequence of damage by floods; how often such repair has been repeated, with note as to what steps were taken on each occasion to prevent a recurrence of damage; and, also, those works not in original plan which have been built when reconstructing or repairing the Line; giving the height and length of each bridge, viaduct, and length and area of each culvert; the height of the embankments at a distance of two chains on each side, measured from a common data line.
13. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on May 3rd, from 571 of the Inhabitants of Sydney and neighbourhood, praying for the completion of the Railway Terminus at Pyrmont, be printed.
14. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd May, from Jane Cockburn, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.

Questions :—

1. MR. HOLROYD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If he has a Licensed Publicans' Act prepared; and if he has, has he any objection to lay it on the Table of the House and have it printed, in order that it may be ventilated before the next Session of Parliament?
2. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to station two Police Constables in the Township of Uralla, New England, in accordance with the provision made by the Legislative Assembly for that purpose?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blakc, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

Questions :—

Questions :—

1. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What public works money has been voted for by previous Parliaments, since he filled the office of Minister for Works, that have not been commenced, or, having been commenced, have been suspended, and the amount voted for each work?
 - (2.) At what rates of wages did the different officials prepare the estimates for such works, specifying the daily wages of the following tradesmen who would be employed in their construction, viz. :—Stonemasons, bricklayers, carpenters and joiners, ordinary labourers, quarrymen, and cartage; and, where wrought iron was requisite, the price per pound or hundred-weight; also the price per cubic foot of heavy timber, and the price per hundred feet of ordinary building timber; also the cost of bricks delivered at such works?
2. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If the whole amounts voted by former Parliaments for the construction of Public Works, since he took office, which have not been expended on such works, are still to the credit of the Government, to be appropriated to such expenditure.

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

[*Price, 3d.*]

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

MONDAY, 6 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.
Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Buchanan withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 23 of Other Business, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
2. Paper :—Mr. Arnold laid upon the Table a Return to an Address for Correspondence between the Department of Works, and any individuals or individual, respecting the Delivery of Goods at Campbelltown, from the 1st January to the 23rd March, 1861, adopted on motion of Mr. Leary on the 3rd April last.
3. Motion withdrawn :—Mr. Cowper withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 1 of Government Business on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Suspension of Standing Orders :—Mr. Weekes moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will enable him to introduce, and carry through all its stages in one day, a Bill to raise by loan the sum of £50,000, for the purposes of Voluntary and Assisted Immigration.
Question put and passed.
5. Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Weekes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Message No. 12 of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, with the accompanying Estimate.
The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow ; also, that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution :—
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, to be provided for by loan, a sum not exceeding £50,000, to be raised by the sale of Debentures secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, to provide for the expenditure of that amount in promoting Assisted Immigration to this Colony.
Mr. Weekes moved, That this House do now adopt this Report and Resolution.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Weekes then moved, That the further consideration in Committee of Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1861, take precedence of all other Business on the Paper for to-morrow.
Question put and passed.
6. Message :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861.
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled "*An Act for regulating the Alienation of Crown Lands*," with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council Chamber, W. W. BURTON,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861. President.
- Mr. Cowper moved, That the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow, to take precedence next after the Order No. 1 on the Paper for that day.
Question put and passed.
7. Message :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act*," with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council Chamber, W. W. BURTON,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861. President.
- On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

8. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—
(1.) Liability of Mining Partnerships Limitation Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to limit the Liability of Mining Partnerships*," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

- (2.) Cattle Driving Act Amendment Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Cattle Driving Act 16 Vic. No. 23*," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

9. Postponements:—Mr. Holroyd, with the concurrence of the House, moved without previous notice, That all the Business on the Paper be postponed, to give precedence to the Order of the Day standing No. 1 of other Business on the Paper for this day.
Question put and passed.
10. Enforcement of Claims against the Crown 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 for the Amendment of the Law as to Claims against the Crown*."
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Holroyd moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act for the Amendment of the Law as to Claims against the Crown*," with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861.

Speaker.

ENFORCEMENT OF CLAIMS AGAINST THE CROWN BILL

SCHEDULE of the Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the Amendment of the Law as to Claims against the Crown," returned to the Legislative Council with Message of 6 May, 1861.

For CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of Legislative Assembly,
E. ELDERSHAW,

Clerk Assistant.

- Page 4. After Clause 13, insert the following, to stand Clause 14:—

(*Colonial Treasurer to satisfy Judgment.*)

"The Colonial Treasurer shall pay the amount of any moneys and costs as to which a judgment or decree rule or order shall be given or made that the suppliant in any such Petition of Right is entitled and of which judgment or decree rule or order the tenor and purport shall have been so certified to him as aforesaid out of any moneys in his hands for the time being legally applicable thereto or which may be hereafter voted by Parliament for that purpose."

Examined—

ROBERT WISDOM,
Chairman of Committees.

Question put and passed.

11. Insolvency Commissioner's Bill of 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
The Chairman reported, That the Committee had agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Cowper then moved, That this Report be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Cowper moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled, "*An Act to fix the Salary and Tenure of Office of the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates*."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6 May, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

12. Customs Inland Bonding Bill, 1861:—The Order for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill, on motion of Mr. Weekes, discharged from the Paper.
Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Weekes.
13. Motion dropped:—Mr. Dick not making the motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

14. Postponement:—Mr. Markham postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Hart, No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.
15. Motion dropped:—Mr. Atkinson not making the motion standing in his name, No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
16. Trustees of portion of the Great North Road:—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the Correspondence which has taken place with reference to the appointment of Trustees for expending the money voted by this House for repairing that portion of the Great North Road, situated between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry, including the letter written by B. C. Rodd, Esq, recommending the appointment of a fresh Trustee, viz., Mr. Patrick; the letter withdrawing that recommendation; the letter recommending the appointment of Mr. Lyons; the resolutions, and other documents, forwarded by the Chairman of a public meeting, held at St. Alban's School-house, Five Dock; the petition presented by Mr. Rodd, with the names attached thereto; and all Correspondence connected with the appointment of such Trustees.
Question put and passed.
17. Expenditure of Money, voted for repairs of portion of the Great North Road:—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
(1.) The amount of money voted since the 1st of January, 1856, for the repairs of that portion of the Great North Road, situate between the Parramatta Road and Bedlam Ferry.
(2.) To whom the money has been entrusted.
(3.) The names of the persons who have been employed to supply materials or labor; the amount paid to each individual, and the date of such payment.
Question put and passed.
18. Motions dropped:—
(1.) Mr. Cummings not making the motion standing in his name, No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
(2.) Mr. Buchanan not making the motion standing in his name, No. 7. on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
19. Printing Petitions:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the petition from certain inhabitants of Black Creek, the petition from Directors of Pyrmont Bridge Company, and the petition of Kew Loong Pow, presented by him on the 2nd instant, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
20. Motions dropped:—
(1.) Mr. Dickson not making the motion standing in his name, No. 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
(2.) Mr. Shepherd not making the motion standing in his name, No. 10 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
21. Church of England Synods Bill:—Mr. Terry moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd April, from Mudgee, against the Synods Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
22. Postponements:—Mr. Morris postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Walsh, Nos. 12 and 13 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.
23. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Parkes withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 14 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
24. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Dick not making the motion standing in his name, No. 15 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
25. Discharge of Mail Guards on the Northern Line of Road:—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) A copy of all Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons relative to the discharge of the Mail Guards on the Northern line of road.
(2.) A copy of any Correspondence relative to the necessity for Mail Guards on the Western and Southern lines of road.
Question put and passed.
26. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Dalgleish withdrew the motion standing in his name No. 17 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
27. Postponement:—Mr. Lucas postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Sutherland, No. 18 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until to-morrow.
28. Sale of Land in the Vicinity of Muswellbrook:—Mr. Weekes, on behalf of Mr. Gray, moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by Mr. Gray on the 12th April, from the inhabitants of Muswellbrook, relative to the sale of Land in the vicinity of that Town, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
29. Motions Dropped:—
(1.) Mr. Driver, not making the motion standing in his name No. 20 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
(2.) Mr. Suttor, not making the motion standing in his name No. 21 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.

30. William Dixon :—Mr. Lucas, on behalf of Mr. Sutherland, moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of William Dixon, presented by Mr. Sutherland on the 5th of April, be referred to the Committee on Grievances.
Question put and passed.
31. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Mate, not making the motion standing in his name No. 24 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
32. Church of England Synods Bill :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from certain members of the Church of England in favor of the Synods Bill, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
33. W. M. Brownrigg :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition from W. M. Brownrigg, presented by him on the 16th April, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
34. Mr. Hercules Watt :—Mr. Leary, on behalf of Mr. C. Cowper, Junr., moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition of Mr. Hercules Watt, presented by Mr. C. Cowper, Junr., on the 16th April, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
35. Unemployed Mechanics and Labourers of the City of Sydney :—Mr. Lucas, on behalf of Mr. Sutherland, moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by Mr. Sutherland on the 16th April, from the unemployed mechanics and labourers of the City of Sydney, be printed and referred to the Committee on Grievances.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed, and referred accordingly.
36. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Driver, not making the motion standing in his name, No. 29 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
37. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill :—On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman reported that, attention having been called to the state of the Committee, he had counted the same, and found that there was not a Quorum of Members present.
The Speaker counted the House, and finding a Quorum of Members present, again left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.
The Chairman again reported that, attention having been called to the state of the Committee, he had counted the same, and found that there was not a Quorum of Members present.
The Speaker counted the House, and finding a Quorum of Members present, again left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.

And the Committee having continued to sit until after Midnight,—

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The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. Parkes moved, as an amendment, that there be added to the Question the words, "And that the Order take precedence of all other business on the Paper, immediately after Government Business for that day."

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 5.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Lucas,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Dalgleish,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Markham,		
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Gray,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Love,		
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Morris,		

Question put,—That the Committee on the Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill have leave to sit again to-morrow, and that the Order take precedence of all other business on the Paper, immediately after Government Business, for that day.
The House divided.

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 5.	
Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Dalgleish,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Douglas,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Buchanan,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Markham,		
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Gray,		
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Sutherland,		
Mr. Watt,	Mr. Morris,		

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at fifteen minutes before One o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MAY 7.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Voluntary and Assisted Immigration Funds; resumption of the Committee of the Whole for consideration of.
2. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
2. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
3. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
4. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
5. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
6. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
7. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
8. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
9. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
10. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
11. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, embodying the following Resolutions; and requesting, that His Excellency may be graciously pleased to submit such Resolutions for the consideration of the Executive Council:—
 - (1.) That it is not expedient for this Colony to increase the Public Debt, further than by the sums voted this Session of Parliament, seeing that the interest on the debt already contracted is becoming oppressive, being about £180,000 annually, and that no provision has yet been made to liquidate any portion of such debt.
 - (2.)

- (2.) That the state of Internal Communication in the Colony is so very bad that it is almost impossible to convey goods into the Interior, or produce thence to the Seaports, or to market; that a large expenditure on the repairs of the public roads, or in the construction of tramways, has become absolutely essential to the vitality of the Colony.
- (3.) That the Colony possesses large sources of revenue lying dormant, and it is expedient that these should now be developed and applied solely to internal improvements.
- (4.) That goods free of duty are admitted into our ports to the amount of about four millions sterling annually,—it is both expedient and just that such goods should be subjected to specific and discriminating Duties of Customs, on such principles as will return the largest revenue, encourage home productions, and be at the same time as little burdensome to the industry of the Colony as possible.
12. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Tabulated Return, shewing the sectional area of the waterways or openings of the bridges, viaducts, and culverts, which, previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in this Colony, it was intended to construct; also those planned on the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, or altered, by that officer; those portions which have been reconstructed in consequence of having been swept away by floods; how often such reconstruction has been repeated; those portions which have been repaired in consequence of damage by floods; how often such repair has been repeated, with note as to what steps were taken on each occasion to prevent a recurrence of damage; and, also, those works not in original plan which have been built when reconstructing or repairing the Line; giving the height and length of each bridge, viaduct, and length and area of each culvert; the height of the embankments at a distance of two chains on each side, measured from a common data line.
13. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on May 3rd, from 571 of the Inhabitants of Sydney and neighbourhood, praying for the completion of the Railway Terminus at Pyrmont, be printed.
14. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd May, from Jane Cockburn, be printed.
15. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
16. MR. HART to move,—
 (1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
 (2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
17. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 (1.) The name of the accused.
 (2.) The nature of charge.
 (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
18. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
19. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.
2. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
3. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

Questions:—

1. MR. HOLROYD to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If he has a Licensed Publicans' Act prepared; and if he has, has he any objection to lay it on the Table of the House and have it printed, in order that it may be ventilated before the next Session of Parliament?
2. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to station two Police Constables in the Township of Uralla, New England, in accordance with the provision made by the Legislative Assembly for that purpose?

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COWPER to move, That this House, having been informed that Petitions have been prepared with the view of being transmitted to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying for the Separation of the Districts of the Clarence, New England, and Tenterfield, from New South Wales,—Resolves:—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no further dismemberment of this Colony, by the separation of any territory lying between the thirtieth parallel of south latitude and the southern boundary of the Colony of Queensland, can now lawfully be made without the concurrence and consent of the people and Legislature of New South Wales, because by the issue of the said Letters Patent, defining the boundary between the said Colonies, Her Most Gracious Majesty has exercised and exhausted the powers reserved by the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended of the Legislature of New South Wales, to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty.
 - (2.) That such dismemberment by the Imperial Government would be in breach of the pledge of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, as contained in His Grace's Despatch of 18 August, 1859.
 - (3.) That this House earnestly deprecates any such dismemberment, as being not only inexpedient on general grounds, but highly injurious to the interests of New South Wales.
 - (4.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a copy of the foregoing Resolutions to be transmitted to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

Questions:—

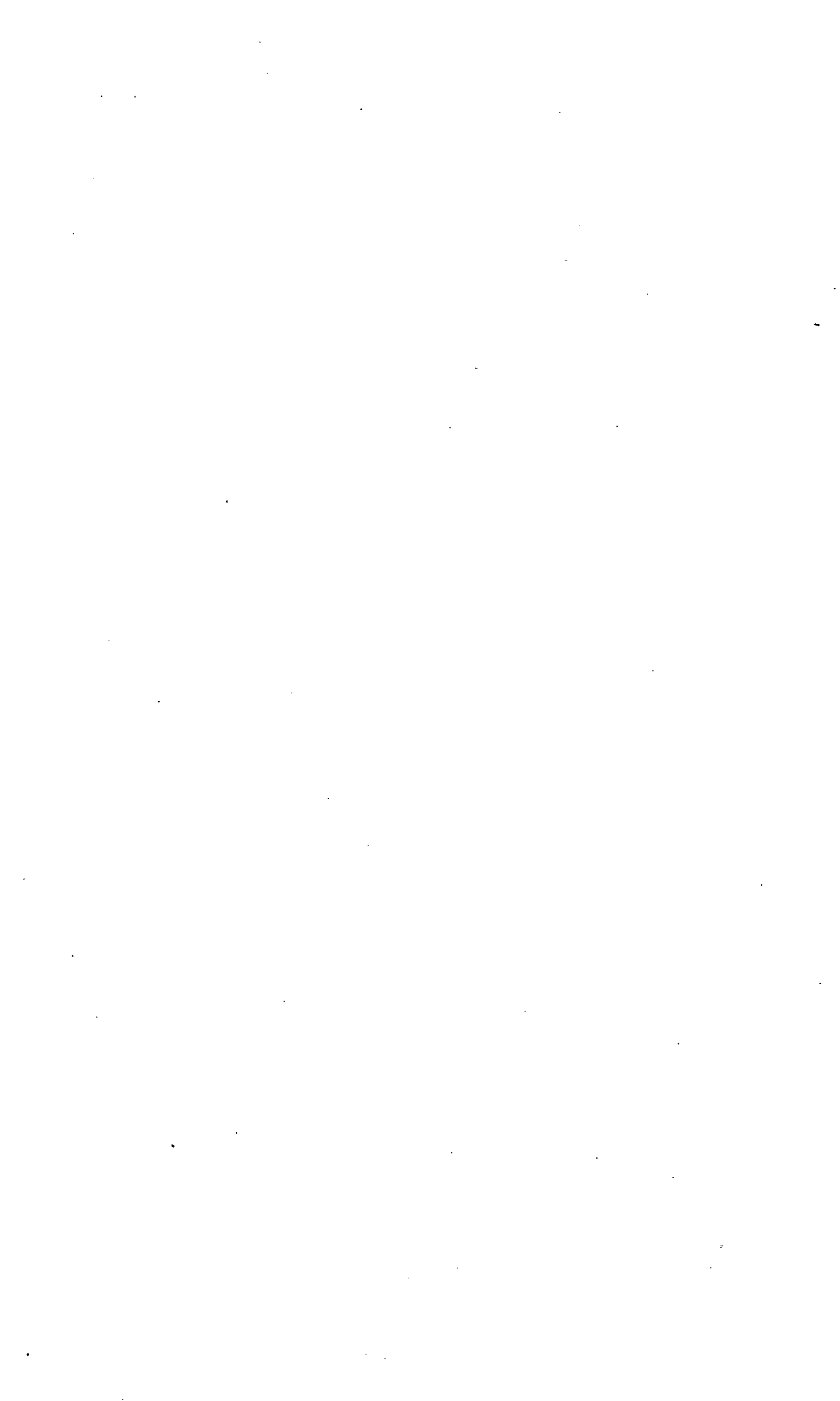
1. MR. ALLEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What public works money has been voted for by previous Parliaments, since he filled the office of Minister for Works, that have not been commenced, or, having been commenced, have been suspended, and the amount voted for each work?
 - (2.) At what rates of wages did the different officials prepare the estimates for such works, specifying the daily wages of the following tradesmen who would be employed in their construction, viz.:—Stonemasons, bricklayers, carpenters and joiners, ordinary labourers, quarrymen, and cartage; and, where wrought iron was requisite, the price per pound or hundred-weight; also the price per cubic foot of heavy timber, and the price per hundred feet of ordinary building timber; also the cost of bricks delivered at such works?
2. MR. ALLEN to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If the whole amounts voted by former Parliaments for the construction of Public Works, since he took office, which have not been expended on such works, are still to the credit of the Government, to be appropriated to such expenditure.

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 7 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair. Funds for promoting Voluntary Immigration:—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, received and read:—

JOHN YOUNG,

Message No. 15.

Administrator of the Government.

In accordance with the request contained in the Address from the Legislative Assembly, of the 3rd May, 1861, the Administrator of the Government invites them to make provision for a sum not exceeding £5,000, for the salaries and travelling expenses of Immigration Agents and Lecturers in Great Britain and Ireland, and to defray the expenses of printing for circulation, in a cheap and popular form, throughout the United Kingdom, copies of Land Acts, and other trustworthy information relating to the Colony.

Government House,

Sydney, 7 May, 1861.

Ordered to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole.

2. Voluntary and Assisted Immigration Fund:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of Message No. 15 of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government.

The Chairman reported, That the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, to be provided for by loan, a sum not exceeding £5,000, to be raised by the sale of Debentures secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum, to provide for the salaries and travelling expenses of Emigration Agents and Lecturers in Great Britain and Ireland, and to defray the expenses of printing for circulation, in a cheap and popular form, throughout the United Kingdom, copies of Land Acts, and other trustworthy information relating to this Colony.

Mr. Weekes moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

3. Voluntary and Assisted Immigration Fund Bill:—Mr. Weekes having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for the purposes of Voluntary and Assisted Immigration,*" read a first time; ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

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

The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted the Report, and ordered the Bill, as so reported, to be read a third time at a later period of the day.

4. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit at a later period of the day.

5. Voluntary and Assisted Immigration Fund Bill, on motion of Mr. Weekes, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Weekes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be, "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for the purposes of Voluntary and Assisted Immigration.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon

Whereupon Mr. Weekes moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for the purposes of Voluntary and Assisted Immigration,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7 May, 1861.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

6. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861 :—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

The Chairman reported the following Point of Order for the determination of the Speaker, and obtained leave to sit again as soon as the Point of Order should have been disposed of :—

A Question having been put, and the Voices given, attention was called to the circumstance, that an Honorable Member who had given his Voice with the "*Ayes,*" was dividing with the "*Noes.*" The Chairman of Committees ruled that that Member was bound to vote with the "*Ayes,*"—which decision had been questioned.

The Speaker sustained the ruling so reported by the Chairman.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Cowper, the Committee resumed.

And the Committee continuing to sit until after Midnight,

WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY, 1861, A. M.

The Chairman reported,—That the Committee had agreed to some, and disagreed from others of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Cowper moved, "That" this House do now adopt this Report.

Mr. Lucas moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to inserting the words "the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of the last amendment in Clause 19 of the Bill, as amended by the Council, and shewn in the Schedule thereto."

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Suttor,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Raper,	Mr. Douglas,	
Mr. Leary,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Daniel,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Rotton,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Holroyd,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Morris.	
Capt. Moriarty,		

Noes, 18.

Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Terry,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Stewart,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Macleay,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Meston,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Watt,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Redman,	

Original Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Cowper, at ten minutes past One o'clock A.M., until Three o'clock P.M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

- MR. COWPER to move, That this House, having been informed that Petitions have been prepared with the view of being transmitted to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying for the Separation of the Districts of the Clarence, New England, and Tenterfield, from New South Wales,—Resolves :—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no further dismemberment of this Colony, by the separation of any territory lying between the thirtieth parallel of south latitude and the southern boundary of the Colony of Queensland, can now lawfully be made without the concurrence and consent of the people and Legislature of New South Wales, because by the issue of the said Letters Patent, defining the boundary between the said Colonies, Her Most Gracious Majesty has exercised and

and exhausted the powers reserved by the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended of the Legislature of New South Wales, to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty.

(2.) That such dismemberment by the Imperial Government would be in breach of the pledge of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, as contained in His Grace's Despatch of 18 August, 1859.

(3.) That this House earnestly deprecates any such dismemberment, as being not only inexpedient on general grounds, but highly injurious to the interests of New South Wales.

(4.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a copy of the foregoing Resolutions to be transmitted to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. MR. COWPER to move,—

(1.) That the following Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty :—

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, approach Your Majesty with expressions of the warmest loyalty and attachment to your Crown and person.

Your Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in transmitting the Commission of the Right Honorable Sir John Young, as Administrator of the Government of New South Wales, having intimated that His Excellency's Commission, as Governor-in-Chief, will be forwarded as soon as prepared, we are under the apprehension that, from the absence of any direct reference to His Excellency's appointment as Governor General, it is Your Majesty's intention to withdraw this distinction from the Governor of this Colony, notwithstanding that it has been enjoyed by His Excellency's two immediate predecessors; and we deem it our duty to lay before Your Majesty this our humble remonstrance.

Admitting unreservedly that with Your Majesty, as the fountain of all honor within Your Dominions, rests the power to grant or withhold this distinction, we venture nevertheless to deprecate the exercise of this power on the present occasion, and to pray that Your Majesty may see fit still to continue the distinction to Your Majesty's Representative in this Colony.

We desire also to avail ourselves of this opportunity to present to Your Majesty our humble Petition that, as in this, so in all other cases in which, by Your Majesty's Royal grace and favor, special privileges or advantages have been conferred on this Colony no abatement or diminution of those privileges or advantages may take place without an opportunity being afforded to Your Majesty's loyal subjects, the Inhabitants of the Colony, of Petitioning through their Representatives, and submitting their humble prayers and remonstrances to your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

(2.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased, at the earliest opportunity, to transmit the foregoing Address to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to Her Majesty.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will on Thursday next resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of taking into consideration the following Resolutions,—

(1.) That it is the opinion of this House, Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.

(2.) That for this purpose the Executive Government be requested to raise, by loan, a sum of not less than £1,000,000 sterling.

(3.) That the foregoing Resolutions be submitted, by Address, to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take steps to carry out the suggestions therein contained.

2. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the depositions in the case of a prisoner named Purcell, found guilty of robbery, before the Police Court of Sydney, and sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and afterwards liberated.

3. CAPTAIN MORTARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.

4. MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.

5. MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
6. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
 - (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
7. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
8. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 - (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
9. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
10. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
11. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
12. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
13. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, embodying the following Resolutions; and requesting, that His Excellency may be graciously pleased to submit such Resolutions for the consideration of the Executive Council:—
 - (1.) That it is not expedient for this Colony to increase the Public Debt, further than by the sums voted this Session of Parliament, seeing that the interest on the debt already contracted is becoming oppressive, being about £180,000 annually, and that no provision has yet been made to liquidate any portion of such debt.
 - (2.) That the state of Internal Communication in the Colony is so very bad that it is almost impossible to convey goods into the Interior, or produce thence to the Seaports, or to market; that a large expenditure on the repairs of the public roads, or in the construction of tramways, has become absolutely essential to the vitality of the Colony.
 - (3.) That the Colony possesses large sources of revenue lying dormant, and it is expedient that these should now be developed and applied solely to internal improvements.
 - (4.) That goods free of duty are admitted into our ports to the amount of about four millions sterling annually,—it is both expedient and just that such goods should be subjected to specific and discriminating Duties of Customs, on such principles as will return the largest revenue, encourage home productions, and be at the same time as little burdensome to the industry of the Colony as possible.
14. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Tabulated Return, shewing the sectional area of the waterways or openings of the bridges, viaducts, and culverts, which, previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in this Colony, it was intended to construct; also those planned on the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, or altered, by that officer; those portions which have been reconstructed in consequence of having been swept away by floods; how often such reconstruction has been repeated; those portions which have been repaired in consequence of damage by floods; how often such repair has been repeated, with note as to what steps were taken on each occasion to prevent a recurrence of damage; and, also, those works not in original plan which have been built when reconstructing or repairing the Line; giving the height and length of each bridge, viaduct, and length and area of each culvert; the height of the embankments at a distance of two chains on each side, measured from a common data line.

15. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on May 3rd, from 571 of the Inhabitants of Sydney and neighbourhood, praying for the completion of the Railway Terminus at Pyrmont, be printed.
16. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd May, from Jane Cockburn, be printed.
17. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
18. MR. HART to move,—
 (1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
 (2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
19. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 (1.) The name of the accused.
 (2.) The nature of charge.
 (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
20. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
21. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.
3. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

Questions:—

1. MR. ALLEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) What public works money has been voted for by previous Parliaments, since he filled the office of Minister for Works, that have not been commenced, or, having been commenced, have been suspended, and the amount voted for each work?
 (2.) At what rates of wages did the different officials prepare the estimates for such works, specifying the daily wages of the following tradesmen who would be employed in their construction, *viz.*:—Stonemasons, bricklayers, carpenters and joiners, ordinary labourers, quarrymen, and cartage; and, where wrought iron was requisite, the price per pound or hundred-weight; also the price per cubic foot of heavy timber, and the price per hundred feet of ordinary building timber; also the cost of bricks delivered at such works?

2. MR. ALLEN *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If the whole amounts voted by former Parliaments for the construction of Public Works, since he took office, which have not been expended on such works, are still to the credit of the Government, to be appropriated to such expenditure?
3. MR. CALDWELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Colonial Architect has been directed by the Government to take any, and, if any, what steps to remedy promptly the annoyance and injury to the patients in the Infirmary, caused by the recent erection of a low chimney, of large dimensions, in the Mint, immediately adjoining the Infirmary, as described in a late Report of the Officer of Health, to the Municipal Council of Sydney?

THURSDAY, MAY 9.

Question :—

1. MR. O'BRIEN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether he has received plans and specifications for the construction of a Bridge over the Yass River, at the lately selected site; and, if so, whether he has called for Tenders for that work, or how soon he purposes to do so?
 - (2.) If not yet received, how soon he expects them; and how soon afterwards he will call for Tenders for the erection of the Bridge?

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—
(1.) Appropriation Bill of 1860-1:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill intituled, "*An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the service of the Year 1860-1,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 8 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

- (2.) Wahgunyah Murray River Bridge Company's Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate a Company to be called the 'Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company' and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah and to take toll thereat and for other purposes,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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Sydney, 8 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

Mr. Walsh moved, That the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
Question put and passed.

2. Papers:—

1. Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table, the following Papers:—

(1.) Return to an Order in reference to Treasury Balances, adopted, on motion of Mr. Piddington, on the 2nd instant.

(2.) Abstracts of the Public Accounts of the Colony of New South Wales.

2. Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Returns under the 103rd Clause of the District Courts Act.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Paper to be printed:—Mr. Cowper moved, That the Return (in part) to an Address in reference to the Claims of Dr. Jonathan Croft, laid upon the Table of this House on the 25th April, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Supply of Water to the Metropolis:—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from W. Bland, as President of the Council of the Australian Medical Association, setting forth the high price and defective supply of Pure Water to the inhabitants of Sydney, and praying that steps may be taken to remedy these evils.
Petition received.

5. Dismemberment of the Colony:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to amended notice, That this House, having been informed that Petitions have been prepared with the view of being transmitted to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying for the Separation of the Districts of the Clarence, New England, and Tenterfield, from New South Wales,—
Resolves:—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no further dismemberment of this Colony, by the separation of any territory lying between the thirtieth parallel of south latitude and the southern boundary of the Colony of Queensland, can now lawfully be made without the concurrence and consent of the people and Legislature of New South Wales, because by the issue of the said Letters Patent, defining the boundary between the said Colonies, Her Most Gracious Majesty has exercised and exhausted the powers reserved by the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill, as amended, of the Legislature of New South Wales, to confer a Constitution on New South Wales, and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty.

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(2.) That such dismemberment by the Imperial Government would be in breach of the pledge of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, as contained in His Grace the Duke of Newcastle's Despatch of 18 August, 1859.

(3.) That this House earnestly deprecates any such dismemberment, as being not only inexpedient on general grounds, but highly injurious to the interests of New South Wales.

(4.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a copy of the foregoing Resolutions to be transmitted to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Morris moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "House," in the 1st Resolution, down to the end of the 3rd Resolution, be omitted, with the view of inserting the words, "the good government of all portions of this Colony is of higher importance than its dismemberment, either by the alteration of the boundary lines of the adjoining Colonies, or by its separation into independent Colonies."

Debate continued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Piddington,
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Love,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Dick,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Wilson,	

} Tellers.

Noes, 6.

Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Rusden,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. Watt,
Mr. Morris,

} Tellers.

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Wilson,
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Dick,	Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Haworth,	Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Dalgleish,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Markham,
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Dickson,	Mr. Raper,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Holroyd,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Love,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. J. Garrett,

} Tellers.

Noes, 6.

Mr. Watt,
Mr. Morris,
Mr. Meston,
Mr. Douglas,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Rusden,

} Tellers.

6. Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861:—Mr. Cowper moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message dated the 6th instant, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Crown Lands Alienation Bill of 1861,—

Agrees to all the amendments in Clause 1.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 2, Clause 2, line 25; Because the effect of such amendment would be to make it necessary for persons under any future holding to be acquainted with the whole of the Orders in Council and Present Regulations, and would also cause them to be often in doubt how far any Order in Council is repugnant to this Act.

Disagrees from the amendments in Page 2, Clause 2, lines 26, 28, 33; Because no such exception ought to be made in respect of such Lands.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 2, Clause 3, lines 36 and 37; Because the Crown Lands having, by the Imperial Parliament, been placed under the management of the Legislature of the Colony, the Governor ought not to exercise the power of making grants, or otherwise disposing of such Lands, except with the advice of his Responsible Ministers.

Agrees to all the amendments in Clause 4.

Disagrees

Disagrees from the amendments in Page 3, Clause 5, lines 2, 14, 15, and 16; Because it would prevent the making of grants of Land for the sites of public buildings or other public purposes.

Agrees to the amendment in Page 3, Clause 5, line 5.

Agrees to the amendment which proposes the insertion after Clause 5 of a new Clause, to stand Clause 6.

Disagrees from the amendments in Page 3, Clause 6, lines 18 to 20; Because the exception proposed to be made by that amendment would cause them unnecessary restriction as to the right of free selection, and is otherwise inexpedient.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 3, Clause 6, line 20; Because such legislation would be an ineffective attempt to bind future Parliaments, and might act injuriously in reference to the future Land policy of the Colony.

Agrees to the amendment in Page 3, Clause 6, line 21.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 3, Clause 6, lines 24 to 33; Because the new Clause proposed in lieu of the proviso does not sufficiently meet the case contemplated.

Disagrees from the amendment which proposes the insertion, after Clause 6, of a new Clause, to stand Clause 7; Because the original proviso in Clause 6 is maintained.

Agrees to all the amendments in Clauses 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 5, Clause 12, line 7; Because it would enable any wealthy man to shut up from free selection all the good land in the neighbourhood, and would also involve the selector in the difficulty of being uncertain whether any piece of land had not been applied for.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 5, Clause 12, line 12; Because such deposit is excessive, and would withdraw from the free selector the capital required for improving the land.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 5, Clause 12, line 20; Because it is consequent upon the carrying the proposed amendment in line 7, on Page 5, which has not been agreed to.

Agrees to all the amendments in Clauses 13, 14, 15, and 16.

Agrees to the amendments in Page 6, Clause 17, lines 10, 11, and 12.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 6, Clause 17, lines 22 to 28; Because it would be very objectionable to place the Crown in the position of being required to enforce payment on a particular date, or in default to compel the forfeiture of the land.

Agrees to the amendment in Page 6, Clause 17, lines 30 to 34.

Agrees to the amendment which proposes the insertion after Clause 17, of a new Clause, to stand Clause 20.

Agrees to all the amendments in Clauses 18, 19, and 20.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 6, Clause 21, line 54; Because it would remove a wholesome restriction.

Agrees to the amendments in Page 6, Clause 21, lines 54 and 56.

Agrees to the amendment in Page 7, Clause 22, line 1.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 7, Clause 23, line 3; Because of the object of the amendment not being apparent.

Disagrees from the amendments in Page 7, Clause 24, line 12; Because consequential upon the disagreement to the amendment proposed in Clause 12.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 7, Clause 24, line 14; Because consequential upon the disagreement to the amendment proposed in Clause 12.

Agrees to the amendments in Page 7, Clause 25, line 19.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 8, Clause 26, lines 1 to 4; Because the amendment would cause a rejection of the usual clause in arbitration matters, and the power proposed to be given to a Judge to refer back any of the matters of arbitration for re-consideration ought not to be given.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 8, Clause 26, line 32; Because the Minister is the proper officer to appoint the Umpire.

Disagrees from the amendment in Page 8, Clause 26, lines 33 to 35; Because the award of the Umpire ought to be final.

Agrees to the amendments in Page 9, Clause 28, line 23.

Disagrees from the amendments in Page 9, Clause 29, line 28; Because such a condition is wholly without precedent, and implies a distrust of the Assembly.

Disagrees to the amendment in Page 9, Clause 29, line 29; Because consequential upon rejection of the preceding amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 8 May, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7.] Address to the Queen,—Title of the Governor of the Colony:—Mr. Cowper moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That the following Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty:—

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, approach Your Majesty with expressions of the warmest loyalty and attachment to your Crown and person.

Your Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in transmitting the Commission of the Right Honorable Sir John Young, as Administrator of the Government of New South Wales, having intimated that His Excellency's Commission, as Governor-in-Chief, will be forwarded as soon as prepared, we are under the apprehension that, from the absence of any direct reference to His Excellency's appointment

appointment as Governor General, it is Your Majesty's intention to withdraw this distinction from the Governor of this Colony, notwithstanding that it has been enjoyed by His Excellency's two immediate predecessors; and we deem it our duty to lay before Your Majesty this our humble remonstrance.

Admitting unreservedly that with Your Majesty, as the fountain of all honor within Your Dominions, rests the power to grant or withhold this distinction, we venture nevertheless to deprecate the exercise of this power on the present occasion, and to pray that Your Majesty may see fit still to continue the distinction to Your Majesty's Representative in this Colony.

We desire also to avail ourselves of this opportunity to present to Your Majesty our humble Petition that, as in this, so in all other cases in which, by Your Majesty's Royal grace and favor, special privileges or advantages have been conferred on this Colony, no abatement or diminution of those privileges or advantages may take place, without an opportunity being afforded to Your Majesty's loyal subjects, the Inhabitants of the Colony, of Petitioning through their Representatives, and submitting their humble prayers and remonstrances to your Majesty's most gracious consideration.

- (2.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased, at the earliest opportunity, to transmit the foregoing Address to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to Her Majesty.

Question put and passed.

8. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table of the House, Report on the University of Sydney for 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
9. Use of the Great Seal of the Colony:—On the Order of the Day being read for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on Mr. Cowper's motion:—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty, humbly praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that the Great Seal of the Colony shall not be used except with the advice and consent of a Responsible Minister, or of the Executive Council for the time being.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the Speaker, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Blake, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hay, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
Mr. Morris moved,—That this Order of the Day be discharged from the Paper.
Question put and passed.
10. Railroad Extensions:—Mr. Cummings moved, pursuant to amended notice:—
(1.) That it is the opinion of this House, Railroad Extension to Goulburn, Bathurst, and Armidale, should be carried out with as little delay as possible.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be submitted, by Address, to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to take steps to carry out the suggestion therein contained.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
11. Working of the Insolvent Law:—Mr. Hart as Chairman brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and Report, the working of the Insolvent Law was referred on the 12th February last.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Administration of Justice:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, the depositions in the case of a prisoner named Purcell, found guilty of robbery, before the Police Court of Sydney, and sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and afterwards liberated.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit until after Midnight:—

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Question put and negatived.

13. Postponements:—Mr. Parkes, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That all the business on the Paper be postponed, to give precedence to Order of the Day standing Order No. 3 of Other Business for this day.
Question put and passed.
14. Minmi and Hexham Railway Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Parkes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's amendments in this Bill.
The Chairman having reported, That the Committee had agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, the House adopted the Report.
Mr. Parkes then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend the Minmi and Hexham Railway Act."
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861. A.M. Speaker.
Question put and passed.

15. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Additional Judge's Appointment Bill.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council, having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to authorize the Appointment of an Additional Judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales,*" presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 8 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

(2.) Public Works Loan Bill of 1861.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council, having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 8 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

16. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock this day.

Debate ensued.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Leary,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Lewis,	Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Atkinson,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Redman,	Mr. Dalgleish,	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Watt,	Mr. Caldwell,	} Tellers.
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Markham,	Mr. Walker,	
Capt. Moriarty,	Mr. Rottou,	
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Dick,	

Whereupon, the House adjourned, at twenty-five minutes past Twelve o'clock, A. M., until Three o'clock, P. M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MAY 9.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- MR. BLAKE to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims (if any) of Dr. Jonathan Croft, to compensation, from the Government of New South Wales.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Dick, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, Mr. Weekes, and the Mover.
- MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That it is the opinion of this House, that the necessary steps should be taken, without delay, for the completion of the Darling Harbour Railway Terminus.
- MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him, on the 8th May, from the President, on behalf of the Council of the Medical Association of New South Wales, be printed.
- MR. WALSH to move, That as the seats of the Members of the Legislative Council of this Colony will become vacant on the 13th May, instant, by effluxion of time, this House declares that the future Members of the said Council should be summoned thereto without delay, in order that a Parliament may be in existence in the Colony in case of emergency.
- MR. DICK to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, telegrams between this and the adjacent Colonies, relating to the arrival and departure of Shipping, should be transmitted without payment.
(2.) That it is desirable that the Government should endeavour to effect arrangements for that purpose.
- CAPTAIN MORIARTY to move, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
- MR. DICK to move, That the Office of Solicitor General is unnecessary, and ought to be abolished.
- MR. ROTTON to move, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.

9. MR. DANIEL to move,—
 (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
 (2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
10. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commission of three or more persons, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
11. MR. J. GARRETT to move, That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions :—
 (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Members be compensated for their attendance.
 (2.) That in the opinion of this Committee such compensation should be £300 per annum.
 (3.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting that a sum may be placed upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1861, for this purpose.
12. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions taken in the case of Hargraves v. Taafe, before the Bench at Gosford, on or about the 3rd of January last, the said charges being "wilful trespass," "vagrancy," and "being in dread of his life."
13. MR. ECKFORD to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the depositions in the case of Taafe v. Hargraves, before the Bench at Gosford, for shooting a mare, the property of the aforesaid Taafe; also, copies of all Correspondence (if any) between the Attorney General and the Bench of Magistrates at Gosford, in reference to this case.
14. MR. LUCAS to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1861, a sum not exceeding £500, to be placed in trust for the support of the three infant children of the late Major Lockyer.
15. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
16. MR. ALLEN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering of an Address to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, embodying the following Resolutions; and requesting, that His Excellency may be graciously pleased to submit such Resolutions for the consideration of the Executive Council :—
 (1.) That it is not expedient for this Colony to increase the Public Debt, further than by the sums voted this Session of Parliament, seeing that the interest on the debt already contracted is becoming oppressive, being about £180,000 annually, and that no provision has yet been made to liquidate any portion of such debt.
 (2.) That the state of Internal Communication in the Colony is so very bad that it is almost impossible to convey goods into the Interior, or produce thence to the Seaports, or to market; that a large expenditure on the repairs of the public roads, or in the construction of tramways, has become absolutely essential to the vitality of the Colony.
 (3.) That the Colony possesses large sources of revenue lying dormant, and it is expedient that these should now be developed and applied solely to internal improvements.
 (4.) That goods free of duty are admitted into our ports to the amount of about four millions sterling annually,—it is both expedient and just that such goods should be subjected to specific and discriminating Duties of Customs, on such principles as will return the largest revenue, encourage home productions, and be at the same time as little burdensome to the industry of the Colony as possible.
17. MR. DALGLEISH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Tabulated Return, shewing the sectional area of the waterways or openings of the bridges, viaducts, and culverts, which, previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in this Colony, it was intended to construct; also those planned on the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, or altered, by that officer; those portions which have been reconstructed in consequence of having been swept away by floods; how often such reconstruction has been repeated; those portions which have been repaired in consequence of damage by floods; how often such repair has been repeated, with note as to what steps were taken on each occasion to prevent a recurrence of damage; and, also, those works not in original plan which have been built when reconstructing or repairing the Line; giving the height and length of each bridge, viaduct, and length and area of each culvert; the height of the embankments at a distance of two chains on each side, measured from a common data line.
18. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him on May 3rd, from 571 of the Inhabitants of Sydney and neighbourhood, praying for the completion of the Railway Terminus at Pyrmont, be printed.

19. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd May, from Jane Cockburn, be printed.
20. MR. BUCHANAN to move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House.
21. MR. HART to move,—
 (1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
 (2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
22. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of June, 1856, and specifying,—
 (1.) The name of the accused.
 (2.) The nature of charge.
 (3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
 (4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
 (5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
 (6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
 (7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
 (8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
23. MR. WALSH to move, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
 (2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
 (3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
 (4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
 (5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
 (6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
24. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
 (2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company's Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
2. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Members of Council Qualification Bill; second reading.
4. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c.; consideration in Committee of Address for.

Questions:—

1. MR. O'BRIEN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Whether he has received plans and specifications for the construction of a Bridge over the Yass River, at the lately selected site; and, if so, whether he has called for Tenders for that work, or how soon he purposes to do so?
 (2.) If not yet received, how soon he expects them; and how soon afterwards he will call for Tenders for the erection of the Bridge?
2. MR. BLAKE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If it is the intention of the Government to establish a Court of Petty Sessions at Black Creek, in pursuance of the Petition for that purpose presented to this House from the inhabitants of that district?
3. MR. LAYCOCK to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) How much of the £50 per mile voted for 1861 has been as yet expended in repairing and improving the Parramatta Road from Burwood to Parramatta; the Liverpool

pool Road from the Bark Huts to Liverpool; the Campbelltown Road from Liverpool to the Cross Roads and places adjacent; together with the Great Western Road and Bridges thereon between Parramatta and Prospect?

(2.) Is it likely that the Government will forthwith expend, in permanent repairs, the whole of the sums voted for 1861 for the aforesaid roads?

4. MR. GRAY *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When the Government are likely to be able to commence the Harbour improvements at Kiama?
5. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether the Government intend to bring up the Return of the cost of repairs of the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway, which Return was ordered by this House on the 26th of March; and if so when?
6. MR. ROTTON *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Out of what fund has the difference of £300,000, shewn to exist between the receipts and the appropriations of 1860, been made up?
 - (2.) Have any of the sums raised by Debentures for Public Works, and not yet expended for that purpose been used for the purpose of covering such deficiency; if so, to what extent?

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 9 MAY, 1861.

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

Papers:—

1. Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Return to an Address, in reference to the Establishment of Petty Sessions at Condobolin, adopted, on motion of Mr. Shepherd, on the 7th February, 1861.

(2.) Further Return to an Order, in reference to Charitable and Educational Establishments, wholly or in part maintained by Public Funds, within the City of Sydney and County of Cumberland, adopted, on motion of Dr. Lang, on the 24th April, 1860.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table of the House, Abstract of Bank Liabilities and Assets for the Quarter ended 30th March, 1861.

Ordered to be printed.

2. Postponements:—Mr. Morris, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That all the Notices of Motion, on the Business Paper of this day, be postponed, to give precedence to Order of the Day, standing No. 1 of Other Business for this day.

Question put and passed.

3. Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company's Bill:—On motion of Mr. Morris, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Amendments in this Bill.

The Chairman having reported, That the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Morris then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled, "*An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the Wahgunyah Murray Bridge Company and to enable the said Company to erect and maintain a Bridge over the Murray River at the end of Ford-street in the Township of Wahgunyah and to take Toll thereat and for other purposes.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

4. Dr. Jonathan Croft:—Mr. Blake moved, pursuant to notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims (if any) of Dr. Jonathan Croft, to compensation, from the Government of New South Wales.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Dick, Mr. Holroyd, Mr. Egan, Mr. Weekes, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

5. Postponements:—Mr. Lucas, on behalf of Mr. Sutherland, postponed the motions standing in the name of Mr. Sutherland, Nos. 2 and 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until after all the other Notices of Motion had been disposed of.

6. Appointment of future Members of Legislative Council :—Mr. Walsh moved, pursuant to amended notice,—
- (1.) That as the seats of the Members of the Legislative Council of this Colony, will become vacant on the 13th May, instant, by effluxion of time, this House is of opinion that the future Members of the said Council should be summoned thereto without delay, in order that a Parliament may be in existence in the Colony, in case of emergency.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to the Administrator of the Government, with an earnest recommendation that His Excellency will please to direct the immediate attention of the Executive Government to the subject.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. Papers :—Mr. Weekes laid upon the Table the following Papers :—

- (1.) Return to an Order for a List of all Tenders for Runs undisposed of, with dates of Application and names of Applicants, adopted, on motion of Mr. Rusden, on the 18th January last.
- (2.) Return to an Order for Correspondence respecting the opening of a Road leading from the Parramatta River, near Kissing Point, and by the Watch House at Ryde to the Great North Road, from Bedlam Ferry, adopted, on motion of Mr. Shepherd, on 29th January last.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Light House near Jervis Bay :—Captain Moriarty, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the inquiry into the circumstances connected with the erection of the Light House near Jervis Bay, was referred on 1 March last.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Messages :—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

- (1.) Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act for regulating the Occupation of the Crown Lands,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

On motion of Mr. Cowper, the House ordered the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, to stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the evening.

- (2.) Gold Fields Bill, 1861 :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to amend the laws relating to the Gold Fields,*" with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.

On motion of Mr. Cowper, the House ordered the consideration in Committee of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, to stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the evening.

10. Intercolonial Shipping Telegrams :—Mr. Dick moved, pursuant to notice,—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, telegrams between this and the adjacent Colonies, relating to the arrival and departure of Shipping, should be transmitted without payment.

- (2.) That it is desirable that the Government should endeavour to effect arrangements for that purpose.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 5.
Mr. Dickson,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Hart, } Tellers.

Noes, 34.
Mr. Cowper, Mr. Markham,
Mr. Weekes, Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Arnold, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Daniel, Mr. Laycock,
Mr. Driver, Mr. Leary,
Mr. Mate, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Redman, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Caldwell,
Capt. Moriarty, Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Lewis, Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Walker, Mr. Meston,
Mr. Hannell, Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Lucas, Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Stewart, Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Baper, Mr. Holroyd, } Tellers.
Mr. J. Garrett, Mr. Watt,

11. Obstruction to Legislation:—Captain Moriarty moved, pursuant to notice, That any Minister who does not adopt decisive means of preventing any recurrence of the obstructions lately offered to measures originating in this House, does not deserve and will not receive the confidence of this House.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
12. Motion withdrawn:—Mr. Dick withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 7 on the Notice Paper for this day.
13. Sergeant-Major Lawrence:—Mr. Rotton moved, pursuant to notice, That all Papers and Correspondence in the possession of the Government relating to the case of Sergeant-Major Lawrence, late of the Western Mounted Patrol, lately dismissed from the service, be laid upon the Table of this House.
Question put and passed.
14. State and Management of the Sydney Domain:—Mr. Daniel moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) "That" the Report of the Select Committee on the State and Management of the Sydney Domain, brought up, and ordered to be printed on the 26th day of April, be now adopted.
(2.) That a copy of the said Report and Evidence be communicated by Address to the Administrator of the Government, with a request that His Excellency would take the recommendation contained therein into his consideration.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Piddington moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" in the first Resolution down to the end of the second Resolution, be omitted, with the view of inserting the words "the present permanent fence erected in the Domain enclosing a portion thereof for the purpose of playing the game of Cricket, be immediately removed."
Debate continued.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted, stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 8.
Mr. Dalgleish,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Dick,
Mr. Terry,
Capt. Moriarty, } Tellers.
Mr. Daniel, }

Noes, 31.
Mr. Cowper,
Mr. Weekes,
Mr. Arnold,
Mr. Raper,
Mr. Love,
Mr. Lewis,
Mr. Hart,
Mr. Atkinson,
Mr. Caldwell,
Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Buchanan,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Markham,
Mr. J. N. Ryan,
Mr. Stewart,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Leary,
Mr. Laycock,
Mr. J. T. Ryan,
Mr. Gray,
Mr. Rotton,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Suttor,
Mr. Walsh,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Dickson, } Tellers.
Mr. J. Garrett, }

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted.

Mr. Love moved, That the proposed amendment be further amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "and that the Corporation Fence, enclosing the Public Baths, be moved lower down the hill."

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

Question, then,—"That the present permanent fence erected in the Domain, enclosing a portion thereof, for the purpose of playing the game of Cricket, be immediately removed, and that the Corporation Fence enclosing the Public Baths, be moved lower down the hill,"—put and passed.

15. Crown Lands Occupation Bill of 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
The Chairman reported, That the Committee had agreed to some, and disagreed from others, of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adopt this Report.
Question put and passed.

16. Gold Fields Bill, 1861:—On motion of Mr. Cowper, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
The Chairman reported, That the Committee had agreed to some, amended one, and disagreed from others, of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
Mr. Cowper moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Question put and passed.

17. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Magistrates' Powers Limitation Bill:—
MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to limit the power of Justices of the Peace in certain cases,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861.

W. W. BURTON,
President.
(2.)

(2.) Enforcement of Claims against the Crown Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "*An Act for the Amendment of the Law as to Claims against the Crown.*"

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9 May, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

18. Alleged Aggression on Chinese at Lambing Flat :—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to amended notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners, not in the service of the Crown, to investigate the cases of certain Chinese, who have sustained loss of property or other injury by the late riots at Lambing Flat.
Question put and passed.
19. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. J. Garrett withdrew the motion standing in his name, No. 11 on the Notice Paper of this day.
20. Motions Dropped :—
(1.) Mr. Eckford not making the motions standing in his name, Nos. 12 and 13 on the Notice Paper of this day, they dropped.
(2.) Mr. Lucas not making the motion standing in his name, No. 14 on the Notice Paper of this day, it dropped.
21. Postponement :—Mr. Wilson, on behalf of Mr. Morris, postponed the motion standing in the name of Mr. Morris, No. 15 on the Notice Paper of this day, until to-morrow.
22. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Allen not making the motion standing in his name, No. 16 on the Notice Paper for this day, it dropped.
23. Railway Works :—Mr. Dalglish moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Tabulated Return, shewing the sectional area of the waterways or openings of the bridges, viaducts, and culverts, which, previous to Mr. Whitton's arrival in this Colony, it was intended to construct on the Liverpool and Campbelltown Railway; also those planned or altered by that officer; those portions which have been reconstructed in consequence of having been swept away by floods; how often such reconstruction has been repeated; those portions which have been repaired in consequence of damage by floods; how often such repair has been repeated, with note as to what steps were taken on each occasion to prevent a recurrence of damage; and, also, those works not in original plan which have been built when reconstructing or repairing the Line; giving the height and length of each bridge, viaduct, and length and area of each culvert; the height of the embankments at a distance of two chains on each side, measured from a common data line.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit until after Midnight :—

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Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 2.

Mr. Piddington, } Tellers.
Mr. Dalglish, }

Noes, 18.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Walsh,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Laycock,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Hart,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Markham,	} Tellers.

24. Railway Terminus at Pyrmont :—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on May 3rd, from 571 of the Inhabitants of Sydney and neighbourhood, praying for the completion of the Railway Terminus at Pyrmont, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

25. Message :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
Voluntary and Assisted Immigration Fund Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for the purposes of Voluntary and Assisted Immigration,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10 May, 1861.*

W. W. BURTON,
President.

26. Jane Cockburn :—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd May, from Jane Cockburn, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

27. Reverend W. Chaucer:—Mr. Buchanan moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, praying that all Papers, Documents, &c., in connection with the case of the Rev. W. Chaucer be laid upon the Table of this House, together with the Judge's Notes. Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
28. Letters of Registration of Inventions—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to notice,—
(1.) That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House (in addition to the Return already upon the Table), a copy of the descriptions and specifications accompanying any applications for Letters of Registration of Inventions under the Act of Council, 16 Victoria, No. 21, together with the date of application for such Letters of Registration, and when granted; also, copies of the plans or sections annexed, and of the Report, in each case.
(2.) That His Excellency will cause similar Returns to be laid before Parliament annually.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
29. Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute:—Mr. Walsh moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Criminal Cases in which the Crown has refused to prosecute, commencing on the 1st day of August 1859, and specifying,—
(1.) The name of the accused.
(2.) The nature of charge.
(3.) The names of committing Justices; the date of committal; and whether to bail or custody.
(4.) The date of receipt of depositions in the Attorney General's Office.
(5.) The date at which the determination not to prosecute had been arrived at; and by whom.
(6.) In custody cases, the date of the order for the discharge of the accused; the name of the Judge by whom order was made, and the place where made (*i. e.* in Sydney, on Circuit, or in Quarter Sessions.)
(7.) In bail cases, the date of intimation of such determination to the committing Justices, and to the accused.
(8.) The amount paid to Witnesses for expenses, if any, in each case.
Question put and passed.
30. Special Warrants issued by the Sheriff:—Mr. Walsh moved, pursuant to notice, That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) A Return of the number of special warrants on *fi. fa.* issued by the Sheriff in each year for the last five years.
(2.) The amount of fees paid for such special warrants and bonds of indemnity connected therewith, for the same period.
(3.) The total amount to be levied under such warrants, and the poundage payable thereon.
(4.) The number of sales under *fi. fa.* of real estate by the Sheriff, in each year for the last five years.
(5.) The amount of fees paid to the Sheriff in respect of such sales.
(6.) The amount of fees paid into the Sheriff's office for bills of sale under such sales.
Question put and passed.
31. Great Northern Railway Extension:—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) A copy of the disposal sheet of the earthwork upon the Great Northern Extension Railway.
(2.) A Tabular Return shewing the quantities of earthwork and rock measured and paid for monthly in each cutting upon the above Railway up to the present time, specifying the quantities of each run to spoil, and the quantities of earthwork from side cuttings into each embankment.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 4.

Mr. Sutherland,	} Tellers.
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Dalgleish,	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Cowper,	Mr. Wisdom,	} Tellers.
Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Arnold,	Mr. Sutor,	
Mr. O'Brien,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Morris,	
Mr. Markham	Mr. Walsh,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Wilson,	

The House adjourned at half-past One o'clock, A. M., until Three o'clock, P. M., this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, MAY 10.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Members of Council Qualification Bill ; second reading.
3. Allowance to Mounted Volunteer Rifles, for Forage, &c. ; consideration in Committee of Address for.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRIS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with and Petitions to the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
2. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That it is the opinion of this House, that the necessary steps should be taken, without delay, for the completion of the Darling Harbour Railway Terminus.
3. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That the Petition presented by him, on the 8th May, from the President, on behalf of the Council of the Medical Association of New South Wales, be printed.

Questions:—

1. MR. J. T. RYAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—What is the intention of the Government with respect to the proposed Bridge over Nepean River—the money having been already voted by this House?
2. MR. GRAY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When the Government are likely to be able to commence the Harbour improvements at Kiama?

FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 10 MAY, 1861.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Special Adjournment:—Mr. Weekes, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That this House do, at its rising, adjourn until Three o'clock to-morrow.
Question put and passed.
2. Paper:—Mr. Cowper laid upon the Table, Report of the Sydney Grammar School for 1860.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Adjournment:—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn until Six o'clock this evening.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
4. Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill:—On the Order of the Day being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the further consideration of this Bill.
The Speaker resumed the Chair.
5. Restoration of Documents produced before a Select Committee:—Mr. Parkes, with the concurrence of the House, moved, without previous notice, That the Clerk have leave to return to the promoters of the Morpeth and Maitland Railway Company's Bill certain Plans and Documents relative thereto, now in his custody.
Question put and passed.
6. Members of Council Qualification Bill:—On the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill being read,—
Mr. Walsh moved, That the Order be discharged from the Paper.
Question put and passed.
Bill discharged from the Paper, on motion of Mr. Walsh.
7. Mounted Volunteer Rifles:—On motion of Mr. Sutherland, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of an Address for Allowance for Forage, &c.
The Chairman reported the following Resolution:—
Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Administrator of the Government, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1861, the sum of £2,500 for the Mounted Volunteer Rifles, to provide half forage for 100 horses at £20 each, and £5 each towards shoeing horses, wear and tear of horse trappings, &c., for 100 members.
Mr. Sutherland moved, That this House do now adopt this Resolution.
The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Weekes,	Mr. Mate,	} Tellers.
Mr. Blake,	Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Love,	Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. J. T. Ryan,	Mr. Buchanan,	
Mr. Rusden,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Stewart,	Mr. Smart,	
Mr. Terry,	Capt. Moriarty,	
Mr. Meston,	Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. O'Brien,	
Mr. Morris,	Mr. Holroyd,	
Mr. Allen,	Mr. Dick,	
Mr. Parkes,		

Noes, 9.

Mr. Egan,	} Tellers.
Mr. Daigleish,	
Mr. J. Garrett,	
Mr. J. N. Ryan,	
Mr. Dickson,	
Mr. Raper,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Rotton,	
Mr. Walsh,	

8. Electric Telegraph Line between Hay and Deniliquin :—Mr. Morris moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—all Correspondence with, and Petitions to, the Government relative to the erection of a line of Electric Telegraph between the Townships of Hay and Deniliquin.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
9. Darling Harbour Railway Terminus :—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That it is the opinion of this House, that the necessary steps should be taken, without delay, for the completion of the Darling Harbour Railway Terminus.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
10. Public Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland :—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up a Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence (with Appendix) taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report the State of Public Prisons in Sydney and Cumberland was referred on 23rd January, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
11. Grievances—Cases of James Pegg and James Ralfe :—Mr. Parkes, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report the Petitions of James Pegg and James Ralfe were referred respectively on 31 January and 20 February last.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Seamen :—Mr. Dalgleish, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of the Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report the working of the various Acts which have special reference to the shipping, discharging, and lodging of Seamen in the Colony of New South Wales, was referred on the 29th January, 1861.
Ordered to be printed.
13. Supply of Water to the Metropolis :—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him, on the 8th May, from the President, on behalf of the Council of the Medical Association of New South Wales, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
- Adjournment :—Mr. Cowper moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed,—
- Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned accordingly at twenty minutes past Seven o'clock, until (pursuant to Order) Three o'clock to-morrow.

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

SATURDAY, MAY 11.

Question :—

1. MR. BUCHANAN *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the case quoted by the Colonial Secretary of a young man who, it was alleged, was illegally married by Mr. Chaucer, was the case of Mr. Eckford?
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FRIDAY, MAY 24.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

- 1 Impounding Bill of 1861 ; to be further considered in Committee.

T. A. MURRAY,
Speaker.
