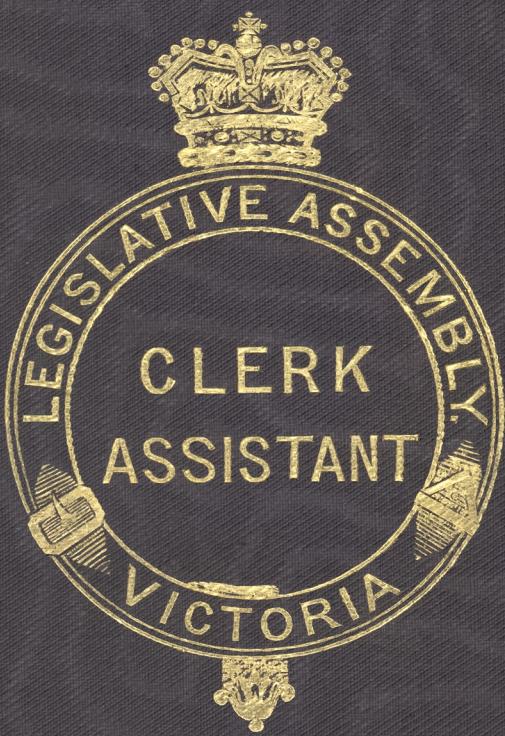


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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH JUNE, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1) If the J. M. Templeton, who has been elected a director of the Fourth Victoria Building Society and also a director of the National Assurance Company, is the J. M. Templeton who is Chairman of the Public Service Board.
 - (2) If so, was the permission of the Governor in Council first obtained.
 - (3) And if not so obtained, what action does the Premier intend taking in the matter.
2. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1) Whether proper steps have been taken to control and regulate the admission of foreign ships of war into Hobson's Bay before war is proclaimed ; and
 - (2) Whether under existing or available arrangements there is any strong probability of the Defence Department being able to keep an enemy outside the Heads after war has been proclaimed.
3. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he has received the report from the Committee nominated to inquire into certain charges brought against Messengers and Officers of this House by the Caterer for the Parliamentary Refreshment Rooms ; and if such report has been received, whether he will cause the said report, with the returns as to the evidence tendered, to be laid on the Table of this House.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether the Government will withdraw the cases arising under the Local Option polls at Sandridge and Williamstown from the further consideration of the Metropolitan Licensing Court.
5. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the siding at North Melbourne will be constructed and ready for use.
6. MR. KEYS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when improved station accommodation will be provided at Mentone.
7. MR. HIGHETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is the intention of the Railway Department to erect goods sheds at California Gully, to appoint a regular porter, and effect other necessary improvements.

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9. **MR. L. L. SMITH** : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal, the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them ; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other ; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
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12. **MR. MCINTYRE** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, including correspondence, legal opinions, reports of deputations, interviews, and minutes relating to the Chinese Immigration Question, and the action of the Government in connection therewith, since the last Session of Parliament, together with copies of the reports of the proceedings of the late Conference on the same question, the decisions arrived at, and all papers and documents submitted to the Conference.

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14. MR. LAURENS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the town of North Melbourne to demise for terms of years certain lands situate in the town of North Melbourne permanently reserved for municipal purposes under Act No. 906.
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17. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, reports, and legal opinions relating to the Maldon and Laanecoorie line of railway.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 21ST JUNE.

1. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he would, in consideration of the large amount of work devolving upon the present Inspector of Mines in the Sandhurst district, take steps for the appointment of an Assistant-Inspector; or devise any other means by which a thorough inspection of the mines could take place.
2. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is the intention of the Railways Commissioners to reduce the rate of freight now charged by them for the carriage of wheat and other farm produce over the Victorian Railways.
3. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will bring in a Bill to amend *The Regulation of Mines and Mining Machinery Act 1883*, so as to compel the firing of shots in sinking shafts by means of electric batteries, and also to provide for the proper means of bringing men to the surface, where three shifts are employed, and only two shifts of engine-drivers are engaged.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, having in view the disabilities and grievances under which the agricultural classes are laboring, it is the intention of the Government to take steps to grant a bonus on all wheat exported from the colony.
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1. MR. BAILES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Residence Areas Act 1884*.
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TUESDAY, 26TH JUNE.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That where as the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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Railway fare to Nicholson-street, Fitzroy	5d. }
Tramway fare to Nicholson-street, Fitzroy	3d. }
Railway fare to Clifton Hill	6d. }
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Railway fare to Collingwood, Johnstone-street	7d. }
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11. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- (1.) The nature and extent of the damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 16th March last by an engine with the balance of its wheels then recently altered.
 - (2.) The whole cost of repairing and replacing the then damaged rails.
 - (3.) Whether the then recent balancing alterations were confined to one engine only for the purpose of experiment ; if not, how many engines had actually been then completely altered, and to what extent were works being prepared for the further alteration of engines other than those then completely altered.
 - (4.) The cost of altering each engine then completely altered.
 - (5.) The cost of the works then being prepared for further alterations.
 - (6.) Whether the engines so altered have been re-altered and restored to their former state ; if so, the cost of re-altering and restoring them to their former state.
 - (7.) If regulations, either in writing or print, were issued prior to 17th March, when the rails at Lancefield were smashed, directing engine-drivers not to run such engine at a greater rate than thirty miles per hour.
 - (8.) At whose instance or direction was the balancing of engine wheels first altered.
12. **MR. JONES** : To move, that there be laid before this House a return showing—
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 - (2.) The salary received by each such officer at the time of his resignation ; and
 - (3.) The record of each officer so resigning, as set forth by the head of the department from which he resigned.
13. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the area of Crown lands lying between the south bank of the River Yarra and the Bay, sold in fee-simple during the last twelve months, stating the upset price named for each Crown allotment, the name of each purchaser, the frontage and depth of each allotment, the street or road where situate, and the price per foot obtained in each instance.
14. **MR. VALE** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

15. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move—
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 (2.) That at the present time a full report is not placed before the whole body of electors.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 26TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. MR. WHEELER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he proposes to take immediate action to provide an increased number of trucks to meet the urgent demands on the various lines.
2. MR. PEIRCE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will provide for an increased allowance in lieu of quarters, &c., to married sub-officers and constables of police stationed in the city of Melbourne; and, if so, to what amount.
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4. MR. GROOM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he intends establishing a State School in Lardner's-road south, parish of Drouin East, if so, will it be at an early date.

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TUESDAY, 26TH JUNE, 1888:

Questions.

1. MR. WHEELER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he proposes to take immediate action to provide an increased number of trucks to meet the urgent demands on the various lines.
2. MR. PEIRCE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will provide for an increased allowance in lieu of quarters, &c., to married sub-officers and constables of police stationed in the city of Melbourne; and, if so, to what amount.
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4. MR. GROOM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he intends establishing a State School in Lardner's-road south, parish of Drouin East, if so, will it be at an early date.
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12. MR. BENT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether the Government intend to appeal in the case of Stark v. The Queen.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence)—

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4. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bent, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Madden, Mr. Officer, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Wrixon, and Mr. Zox ; five to be the quorum.

5. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Pearson, Dr. Quick, and Mr. Shiels.

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7. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Anderson (Villiers and Heytesbury), Mr. Baker, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Carter, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Laurens, and Mr. Peirce ; three to be the quorum.

8. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. A. Harris, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shackell, Mr. Staughton, and Mr. Wheeler.

9. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to-wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—

- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
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12. MR. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict owners of hotel property who have secured a monopoly under the present Licensing Act from exacting heavy bonuses and largely-increased rents from tenants whose leases are expiring and have to be renewed.
13. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Police Regulation Statute* 1873.
14. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of men enrolled in the Militia since its formation. The number of effectives at present on the rolls. The amount of fines inflicted on the private members of the force during the past two years up to 1st June, 1888.
15. MR. BAILES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Residence Areas Act* 1884.
16. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the franchise to the members of the Police Force.
17. MR. LAURENS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The nature and extent of the damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last by an engine with the balance of its wheels then recently altered.
 (2.) The whole cost of repairing and replacing the then damaged rails.
 (3.) Whether the then recent balancing alterations were confined to one engine only for the purpose of experiment; if not, how many engines had actually been then completely altered, and to what extent were works being prepared for the further alteration of engines other than those then completely altered.
 (4.) The cost of altering each engine then completely altered.
 (5.) The cost of the works then being prepared for further alterations.
 (6.) Whether the engines so altered have been re-altered and restored to their former state; if so, the cost of re-altering and restoring them to their former state.
 (7.) If regulations, either in writing or print, were issued prior to 4th February, when the rails at Lancefield were smashed, directing engine-drivers not to run such engine at a greater rate than thirty miles per hour.
 (8.) At whose instance or direction was the balancing of engine wheels first altered.
18. MR. JONES : To move, that there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The names of all officers in the Public Service who have resigned their positions during the term from 1st July, 1887, to 30th June, 1888.
 (2.) The salary received by each such officer at the time of his resignation; and
 (3.) The record of each officer so resigning as set forth by the head of the department from which he resigned.
19. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the area of Crown lands lying between the south bank of the River Yarra and the Bay, sold in fee-simple during the last twelve months, stating the upset price named for each Crown allotment, the name of each purchaser, the frontage and depth of each allotment, the street or road where situate, and the price per foot obtained in each instance.
20. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
21. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 (1.) That it is essential to the formation of sound judgment on the part of electors as to the proceedings of Parliament that a full, authentic, and complete report of such proceedings should be placed at their disposal.
 (2.) That at the present time a full report is not placed before the whole body of electors.
 (3.) That the Government forthwith take the necessary steps to cause the proceedings of Parliament to be faithfully reported and circulated amongst the electors of this country.
22. MR. LEVIEN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of companies registered in the year ending 31st May 1888, and stating shortly the objects of such companies.
23. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except

- grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
- (b) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof; and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
24. MR. GRAVES : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable, in the public interest, that the Police Magistrate, Mr. G. D. McCormick, should reside within his district, either at Benalla or Wangaratta, instead of at Melbourne.
25. MR. HARPER : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
26. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, including correspondence, legal opinions, reports of deputations, interviews, and minutes relating to the Chinese Immigration Question, and the action of the Government in connection therewith, since the last Session of Parliament, together with copies of the reports of the proceedings of the late Conference on the same question, the decisions arrived at, and all papers and documents submitted to the Conference.
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30. MR. MURPHY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £1,000 for the purpose of assisting the Bungaree and Buninyong Shire Councils in eradicating the obnoxious weed known as the Californian thistle.
31. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, reports, and legal opinions relating to the Maldon and Laanecoorie line of railway.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

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Regulations for the Victorian Permanent Naval Forces—Alterations and Additions. No. 12.

Rules under the Justices of the Peace Act 1887. No. 19.

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1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 6.

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2. **MR. LANGDON**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will consent to lay the plans and report relative to the Italian Agricultural Training College, prepared and presented to him by Signor Palo Villanio, C.E., Honorary Commissioner for Italy at the Melbourne Exhibition 1880-81, on the Table of the Library for the information of Honorable Members; and if requisite, will the Government cause copies thereof to be laid before Parliament.
3. **MR. TOOHEY**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if, in view of the opening of the Centennial Exhibition, he will increase the number of mounted troopers to do duty in Melbourne and suburbs.
4. **MR. ANDERSON** (Villiers and Heytesbury): To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will favourably consider the advisability of recouping Shire Councils money expended by them in the destruction of foxes.
5. **MR. A. YOUNG**: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when tenders will be called for the erection of the buildings for Post and Telegraph Offices at Scarsdale.
6. **MR. A. HARRIS**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will have the following works carried out at an early date, in accordance with resolutions moved at the Mining Board recently held at Sale, viz.:—
 - (1.) Continuation of track-cutting from Gum Forest to New Rush Creek, it being an extension from Haunted Stream and the first-named place.
 - (2.) A pack track from the Main Walhalla road to Mount Baw Baw, through Upper Moondarra.
 - (3.) A track from Talbotville up the sources of the Humphray River, &c.
7. **MR. FEILD**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state the estimated cost of the Fitzroy Branch Railway when line was submitted to this House; the cost of construction (including purchase of land and buildings), and the number of passengers who have travelled on line to 8th June.
8. **MR. A. YOUNG**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways :—
 - (1.) If it is the intention of the Railways Commissioners to adopt any system of classification in the professional and clerical divisions of the Railway Department.
 - (2.) If so, when is such a system of classification likely to come into force.
9. **MR. ANDREWS**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if Miss Stark has been classified by the officers of the Education Department in terms of the decision recently given by the Supreme Court in her favour.
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11. **MR. ANDERSON** (Villiers and Heytesbury): To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will be prepared during the present Session to introduce restrictive legislation against the use of other than safety matches in the country districts.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence)—

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR.—To which the following amendment has been moved :—After the following paragraph, viz.:—

“Thanking His Excellency for informing us that the Estimates have been framed with as much economy as the necessary requirements of the Public Service will admit.”

Insert the following words, viz.:—

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NOTICES OF MOTION

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day ; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice Paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock.

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On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business :

1. Notices of Motion.
2. Orders of the Day.

General Business :

1. Notices of Motion.
2. Orders of the Day.

On the alternate Wednesday—

General Business :

1. Orders of the Day.
2. Notices of Motion.

Private Bill Business :

1. Orders of the Day.
2. Notices of Motion.

4. MR. GILLIES: To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bent, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Madden, Mr. Officer, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Wrixon, and Mr. Zox ; five to be the quorum.

5. MR. GILLIES: To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Pearson, Dr. Quick, and Mr. Shiels.

6. MR. GILLIES: To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Munro, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Woods, and Mr. C. Young.

7. MR. GILLIES: To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Anderson (Villiers and Heytesbury), Mr. Baker, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Carter, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Laurens, and Mr. Peirce ; three to be the quorum.

8. MR. GILLIES: To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. A. Harris, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shackell, Mr. Staughton, and Mr. Wheeler.

9. MR. JONES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of trucks repaired in the repairing shops of our railways in the Melbourne yard during January, February, and March of the present year, and also the dates and numbers of each truck marked off for repairs, setting forth in each case the dates and numbers of each truck when the repairs were completed, and the number of repairers employed in the Melbourne yard shop during the term indicated ; and secondly, a similar return as to the Williamstown repairing shop for the same term.

10. MR. PEIRCE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

- (1.) The amount of money paid by the Railway Department for fire claims since the Spark Arrester Board sent in their report dated 29th October, 1883.
- (2.) The amount of damage done to railway rolling-stock by fires caused by locomotives.
- (3.) The cost of fitting locomotive engines with spark-catchers, and if they were of the best design, as required by law.
- (4.) The number of miles run by engine No. 148 since she has been fitted with a spark-arrester, her consumption of fuel per mile ; also, the number of miles she ran in twelve months previous to being fitted, and the quantity of fuel she then consumed per mile.

11. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.

12. MR. HALL: To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of the *Land Act* 1884 ; such Committee to consist of five members ; three to be the quorum.

13. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small-arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—

- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.

- (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
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- (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
14. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
15. MR. TUCKER: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the probate duty charged on each deceased person's estate during the past two years, and the declared value of each estate, commencing with the amount of duty paid, and the declared value of the smallest, following with the next higher, and so progressively in the same order to the estate of the highest declared value, and also showing the amount of other fees beside the probate duty paid upon each estate to the Crown during the same period.
16. MR. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict owners of hotel property who have secured a monopoly under the present Licensing Act from exacting heavy bonuses and largely-increased rents from tenants whose leases are expiring and have to be renewed.
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18. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of men enrolled in the Militia since its formation. The number of effectives at present on the rolls. The amount of fines inflicted on the private members of the force during the past two years up to 1st June, 1888.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 10TH JULY.

Question.

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government intend bringing in an amending *Factories and Shops Act* this session.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

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THURSDAY, 5TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. C. YOUNG : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers relating to the improper nomination of Messrs. Edwards and Corkill to the Crown Solicitor's Office, whereby they were illegally deprived of—
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 - (2.) A year's increment under section 19 of Act No. 773.
 - (3.) Seniority according to their order in the list of merit.
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WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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6. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is the intention of the Railway Department to construct a wood siding between the Glenalbyn and the Wedderburn Junction railway stations.
7. MR. RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will admit appliances and machinery not made or obtainable in this colony for the use of Fire Brigades free of duty.
8. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if there is any other exemption (if it is an exemption) in the Acts relating to Chinese Immigration to the term "immigrant" except that in section 5, Act No. 723.
9. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to place a sum of money on the Estimates for the present financial year to provide for the erection of the north and north-east fronts of the Parliament House.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence)—

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR.—To which the following amendment has been moved:—After the following paragraph, viz.:—

"Thanking His Excellency for informing us that the Estimates have been framed with as much economy as the necessary requirements of the Public Service will admit."

Insert the following words, viz.:—

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1. Notices of Motion.
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On the alternate Wednesday—

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1. Orders of the Day.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government intend bringing in an amending *Factories and Shops Act* this session.
2. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he is prepared to give effect to a promise, made some time ago, that a diamond-drill would be provided to test the Reedy Creek reefs at deep levels.
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6. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier when it is intended to erect permanent railway stations in the city of Melbourne that will meet the growing requirements of the country and be in keeping with other public buildings in the metropolis.
7. **MR. MURPHY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the report of a recent fire in a two-story building (devoted to accommodating the public) at Ballarat, and the great danger to life which ensued, and further to the fact that similar buildings, of from four to six stories high, are being erected in Melbourne, and to ask what provision he purposed making to secure escape therefrom in the case of fire.
8. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when a teacher will be sent to the State school, Glengarry and Toongabbie West.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General has the Government definitely abandoned their projected appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark; and, if so, do they intend to pay the arrears of salary claimed by her.
10. **MR. MCINTYRE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Is it true that certain Members of the Government held a meeting on Sunday, 1st instant, at which instructions were given regarding the recent defence operations. If so, who were the Members of the Government present at such meeting, and what were the instructions given. Were the exigencies of the case considered so critical as to necessitate such work on Sunday.
 - (2.) How long did it take for the respective vessels of the fleet to reach their assigned positions after the instructions were given?
 - (3.) How many men were actually engaged in the operations, distinguishing the number in the permanent and auxiliary service?
 - (4.) Is it a fact that the guns were not mounted in some of the forts, and in others the ammunition was not suitable for the guns?
 - (5.) Is it correct that several of the torpedoes were allowed to get adrift, and that the torpedo boats had cruised about unsuccessfully in search of them?
 - (6.) And what was the net result of the operations, and what were their total cost to the country?
11. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (if the Government have definitely abandoned their appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark) whether it is their intention to raise the classification of other teachers in similar circumstances without a direction from the Supreme Court.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence)—

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR.—Resumption of debate.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice Paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock.
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On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business :

1. Notices of Motion.
2. Orders of the Day.

General Business :

1. Notices of Motion.
2. Orders of the Day.

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General Business :

1. Orders of the Day.
2. Notices of Motion.

Private Bill Business :

1. Orders of the Day.
2. Notices of Motion.

4. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bent, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Madden, Mr. Officer, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Wrixon, and Mr. Zox ; five to be the quorum.

5. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Pearson, Dr. Quick, and Mr. Shiels.

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8. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. A. Harris, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shackell, Mr. Staughton, and Mr. Wheeler.

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14. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all experts' reports, letters, and other papers in connection with the establishment of an arsenal and small arms factory in Australia.

15. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The number of public servants who have assured their lives since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*.
 (2.) The name of the society and the amount assured in each.

16. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing how much money will be left and available out of the six million loan to complete lines authorized after the cost of lines now in course of completion, and for which tenders have been called has been allowed for.

17. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

18. MR. MADDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited.

19. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relative to attorneys, solicitors, and proctors.
20. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
21. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all letters and papers in relation to a certain lease for lands at Corin Inlet, applied for in February 1887, and granted May 1887 to Mr. J. S. Butters.
22. MR. JONES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of trucks repaired in the repairing shops of our railways in the Melbourne yard during January, February, and March of the present year, and also the dates and numbers of each truck marked off for repairs, setting forth in each case the dates and numbers of each truck when the repairs were completed, and the number of repairers employed in the Melbourne yard shop during the term indicated; and secondly, a similar return as to the Williamstown repairing shop for the same term.
23. MR. PEIRCE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- (1.) The amount of money paid by the Railway Department for fire claims since the Spark Arrester Board sent in their report dated 29th October, 1883.
 - (2.) The amount of damage done to railway rolling-stock by fires caused by locomotives.
 - (3.) The cost of fitting locomotive engines with spark-catchers, and if they were of the best design, as required by law.
 - (4.) The number of miles run by engine No. 148 since she has been fitted with a spark-arrester, her consumption of fuel per mile; also, the number of miles she ran in twelve months previous to being fitted, and the quantity of fuel she then consumed per mile.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
25. MR. HALL: To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of the *Land Act* 1884; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
26. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
27. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
28. MR. TUCKER: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the probate duty charged on each deceased person's estate during the past two years, and the declared value of each estate, commencing with the amount of duty paid, and the declared value of the smallest, following with the next higher, and so progressively in the same order to the estate of the highest declared value, and also showing the amount of other fees beside the probate duty paid upon each estate to the Crown during the same period.
29. MR. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict owners of hotel property who have secured a monopoly under the present Licensing Act from exacting heavy bonuses and largely-increased rents from tenants whose leases are expiring and have to be renewed.
30. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Police Regulation Statute* 1873.

31. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of men enrolled in the Militia since its formation. The number of effectives at present on the rolls. The amount of fines inflicted on the private members of the force during the past two years up to 1st June, 1888.
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 (2.) The whole cost of repairing and replacing the then damaged rails.
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 (5.) The cost of the works then being prepared for further alterations.
 (6.) Whether the engines so altered have been re-altered and restored to their former state ; if so, the cost of re-altering and restoring them to their former state.
 (7.) If regulations, either in writing or print, were issued prior to 4th February, when the rails at Lancefield were smashed, directing engine-drivers not to run such engine at a greater rate than thirty miles per hour.
 (8.) At whose instance or direction was the balancing of engine wheels first altered.
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35. MR. JONES : To move, that there be laid before this House a return showing—
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 (2.) The salary received by each such officer at the time of his resignation ; and
 (3.) The record of each officer so resigning as set forth by the head of the department from which he resigned.
36. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the area of Crown lands lying between the south bank of the River Yarra and the Bay, sold in fee-simple during the last twelve months, stating the upset price named for each Crown allotment, the name of each purchaser, the frontage and depth of each allotment, the street or road where situate, and the price per foot obtained in each instance.
37. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
38. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 (1.) That it is essential to the formation of sound judgment on the part of electors as to the proceedings of Parliament that a full, authentic, and complete report of such proceedings should be placed at their disposal.
 (2.) That at the present time a full report is not placed before the whole body of electors.
 (3.) That the Government forthwith take the necessary steps to cause the proceedings of Parliament to be faithfully reported and circulated amongst the electors of this country.
39. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them ; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.

- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROWN : To move—

- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
- (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
- (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
- (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
- (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.

2. MR. MADDEN : To move—

- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
- (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 11th July.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT OF OTHER COLONIES—at eleven o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 11.

THURSDAY, 12TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is the intention of the Railway Department to construct a wood siding between the Glenalbyn and the Wedderburn Junction railway stations.
2. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to place a sum of money on the Estimates for the present financial year to provide for the erection of the north and north-east fronts of the Parliament House.
3. MR. OUTTRIM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will take steps to issue cheap season tickets to enable residents of country districts to visit Melbourne frequently during the currency of the Centennial Exhibition.
4. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) If it is a fact that Mining Registrars are empowered to make a charge for registering residence areas, and also for endorsing upon miners' rights the fact of such registration.
 - (2.) Will he undertake to introduce a short Bill making it compulsory on Mining Registrars to effect such registration of residence areas, and endorsement of the same upon miners' rights for the future without any fees being charged.
5. MR. OUTTRIM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) Is he aware that miners are prosecuted for non-registration annually of their residence areas.
 - (2.) Will he bring in a short Bill with a view of having *The Residence Area Act* 1884 amended so that it shall not be compulsory for miners holding miners' rights to register all residence areas.
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7. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take the necessary steps to have the following tracks cut with the least avoidable delay, all of which will open up an immense area of virgin country, and be invaluable to prospectors and others.
 - (1.) Haunted Stream to Boggy Creek, via Yahou Creek.
 - (2.) From the junction of Tierney's Creek and Haunted Stream to Doctor's Flat, Tambo River.
 - (3.) From Haunted Stream to Shady Creek.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. JONES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot to inquire into and report upon the complaint of Mr. W. Brown, of the Inland Mail Room, General Post Office, as to the manner in which he has been dealt with by the Postal Department ; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY.

Questions.

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government intend bringing in an amending *Factories and Shops Act* this session.
2. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he is prepared to give effect to a promise, made some time ago, that a diamond-drill would be provided to test the Reedy Creek reefs at deep levels.

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- (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
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- (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY.

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- 1. MR. SHACKELL:** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all experts' reports, letters, and other papers in connection with the establishment of an arsenal and small arms factory in Australia.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
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3. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
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3. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of

the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxers being prevalent in one of them.

- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

- 1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

- 1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 12th July.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past three o'clock.

Tuesday, 17th July.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

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No. 12.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1888.

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2. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he is prepared to give effect to a promise, made some time ago, that a diamond-drill would be provided to test the Reedy Creek reefs at deep levels.
3. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If it is true that some of the unclassified officers in the Public Service have been compelled to suffer a reduction in salary through the operation of section 27 of *The Public Service Act* 1883, while classified officers, under similar circumstances, have been left in possession of the salaries they previously enjoyed.
 - (2.) Whether a reduction of salary, under the circumstances, of any officer who was under Act No. 160 is not a violation of section 2 of *The Public Service Act* 1883.
4. **SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Board of Land and Works will invite the Councils of St. Kilda and South Melbourne to revise the new regulations for Albert Park so as to allow the public to drive along the roads of Albert Park in hired hansoms, waggonnets, and other vehicles.
5. **MR. ANDREWS** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when the Telephone Exchange for Geelong will be completed.
6. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if his attention has been called by the Wehla Gold Mining Company to the loss sustained by that company through a registered parcel being stolen from the Burke's Flat and Wedderburn mail, and whether, under the circumstances, he will take into favourable consideration the application of such company for a refund of the value of such parcel.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will consult the Railways Commissioners with a view to have passes issued to members of the country Press to enable them to visit Melbourne for the purpose of reporting the Centennial Exhibition for their respective papers.
8. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether provision has been made on the Estimates for the construction of a siding or station between Korong Vale and Whychetella stations, near Mount Egbert, on the Wycheeproof line.
9. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) How many transfers have been lodged for the first half of this year in the Titles Office?
 - (2.) How many of them have been completed?
 - (3.) How many officers are engaged in the Transfer branch?
 - (4.) Was there a falling off in the number of transfers lodged during the war scare? and if so
 - (5.) To what extent was such falling off, as compared with the preceding three weeks?
10. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether his attention has been directed to the case of a threatened forfeiture for non-payment of a small amount of rent of a 35-acre section at Barp; if so, will he stay further proceedings therein until the case has been thoroughly investigated.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to Banking and Currency.
2. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to companies.
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to Fraudulent Marks on Merchandise.
4. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the collection and payment of the Public Moneys, the audit of the Public Accounts, and the protection and recovery of the Public Property.
5. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to the collectors and dealers in special wares, marine stores, and old metals.
6. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons Statute* 1870, and for other purposes.
7. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to the Phylloxera Vine Diseases.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GENERAL CODE BILL—Second reading.
2. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
4. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
5. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

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 3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
 4. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
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4. MR. MADDEN : To move that the Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a second time.
5. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move, That the Bill to amend the Law relative to Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors, be now read a second time.
6. MR. COPPIN : To move, That Standing Order No. 10, relating to Private Bills, be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association.*"

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 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 17th July.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past three o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

Thursday, 19th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13 JULY, 1888.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[12]

General Code Bill.—[7] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Workrooms, and Shops, for the year ended 31st December, 1887.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) How many transfers have been lodged for the first half of this year in the Titles Office ?
 - (2.) How many of them have been completed ?
 - (3.) How many officers are engaged in the Transfer branch ?
 - (4.) Was there a falling off in the number of transfers lodged during the war scare ? and if so
 - (5.) To what extent was such falling off, as compared with the preceding three weeks ?
2. MR. MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has any intention of asking the House to consider the desirability of taking some action respecting the improvements of the present cable service with the old country, and if he has had any communication with the other Colonial Governments on the subject.
3. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what amount of money has been paid for duty stamps in the Titles Office, as shown on the documents lodged therein, for each of the six months commencing January 1st, 1885, and ending June 30th, 1888.
4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will at once take the necessary steps to give effect to the recommendations of the naval and military commanders, Captain Thomas and Colonel Disney, and authorize the Defence Department to make the essential additions to the permanent forces as suggested, forthwith, trusting to the patriotism of Parliament to approve of the action of the Government by voting the necessary supplies in the regular course.
5. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If Mr. E. Miller, an officer in the Post Office Department, has obtained the appointment of Business Manager of the Centennial Exhibition Choir at a salary of £500 per annum.
 - (2.) If so, was the permission of the Governor-in-Council first obtained.
6. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Under what section of the Public Service Act have the Public Service Board the power to recommend that public servants who have reached the age of 60 years can be retained for a limited time.
 - (2.) Is there any power under the Public Service Act to renew and retain the services of any officer at the expiry of the time fixed by the Order in Council.
7. MR. FEILD : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction what steps are being taken to provide the new school promised and required in Collingwood.
8. MR. GORDON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will cause the law for the prevention of Sunday trading to be more rigidly enforced throughout the colony than it is at the present time.
9. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways at what date the contract time expires for the construction of the first section of the railway line from Yea to Mansfield.

NOTICES OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

1. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all experts' reports, letters, and other papers in connection with the establishment of an arsenal and small arms factory in Australia.
2. MR. L. L. SMITH :—To move that there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The operations under the land Act last passed.
 - (2.) The number of freeholds obtained under the provisions of the present and by means of the previous Land Acts.
 - (3.) The area of agricultural land open for selection, describing counties wherein situated.
 - (4.) The area of land suitable for stock-raising purposes available for selection and in what counties.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the alteration of the boundaries of certain electoral districts, and for other purposes.
2. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrain persons employed in the Public Service from accepting or holding any office or employment other than in connection with the duties of their offices in the Public Service.
3. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to the Phylloxera Vine Diseases.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
2. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.

(200 copies.)

3. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
4. MARINE STORES LAW—Consideration of Report.
5. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
7. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—Second reading.
8. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business: (After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. TUCKER: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a second time.
3. LIEUT-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a second time.
4. MR. MADDÉN: To move that the Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a second time.
5. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move, That the Bill to amend the Law relative to Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors, be now read a second time.
6. MR. COPPIN: To move, That Standing Order No. 10, relating to Private Bills, be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association."
7. MR. COPPIN: To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association."
8. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Bill to confer additional powers upon the Mercantile Finance Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia, Limited, be now read a second time.
9. DR. QUICK: To move, That Standing Order No. 18, relating to Private Bills, be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill "To confer powers upon the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited."
10. DR. QUICK: To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, That he have leave to bring in a Bill "To confer powers upon the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited."

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
2. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of public servants who have assured their lives since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*.
 - (2.) The name of the society and the amount assured in each.
3. MR. HALL: To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.

5. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
6. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
7. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, including correspondence, legal opinions, reports of deputations, interviews, and minutes relating to the Chinese Immigration Question, and the action of the Government in connection therewith, since the last Session of Parliament, together with copies of the reports of the proceedings of the late Conference on the same question, the decisions arrived at, and all papers and documents submitted to the Conference.
8. MR. FERGUSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the extirpation of pleuro-pneumonia in Victoria.
9. MR. LAURENS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the rating of lands and property vested in the Victorian Railways Commissioners.
10. MR. MURPHY: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £1,000 for the purpose of assisting the Bungaree and Buninyong Shire Councils in eradicating the obnoxious weed known as the Californian thistle.
11. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers, reports, and legal opinions relating to the Maldon and Laanecoorie line of railway.
12. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
13. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands.
14. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
15. MR. LEVIEN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
16. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
17. MR. BROWN: To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
18. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
19. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
20. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Maddein's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
 2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1884 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 3. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
 4. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them ; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
 2. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
 3. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
 4. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
 5. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His

- Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 19th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 13 JULY, 1888.

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 10, 11, and 12.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13]
Audit Act Amendment Bill.—[4]
Merchandise Marks Amendment Bill.—[5]
Duties on Estates of Deceased Persons Statute Amendment Bill.—[12]
North Melbourne Vesting of Lands Bill.—[29]
Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway Bill.—[32]
Companies Statute 1864 Amendment Bill.—[36]
Banks Currency Statute 1864 Amendment Bill.—[42]
Police Franchise Extension Bill.—[43]
Military Reserve Sale Bill.—Message No. 6.
Intestate Estates Relief Bill.—Message No. 7.
Patent Law Further Amendment Bill.—Message No. 8.
Resumption of Lands under the Act No. 933.—Certificate approved by the Governor in Council, dated 18th June, 1888. No. 47.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

THURSDAY, 19TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has any intention of asking the House to consider the desirability of taking some action respecting the improvements of the present cable service with the old country, and if he has had any communication with the other Colonial Governments on the subject.
2. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what amount of money has been paid for duty stamps in the Titles Office, as shown on the documents lodged therein, for each of the six months commencing January 1st, 1885, and ending June 30th, 1888.
3. MR. REID : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government will, this Session, bring in a Bill to place the Officers of Parliament under the control of Parliament.
4. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) Whether it is true that the ballot-papers and other documents relating to the North Geelong Local Option poll, which had been brought up to the Supreme Court on a writ of *cetiorari*, were subsequently, and whilst such ballot-papers and other documents were within the jurisdiction and control of the Supreme Court, taken out of the Supreme Court offices and placed before the Licensing Court at Geelong during its sittings, held to determine what licenses should not be renewed.
 - (2.) If so, by whose authority or directions were these ballot-papers and other documents so removed from the Supreme Court to the Licensing Court.
 - (3.) If so, were such ballot-papers and other documents so removed with the knowledge and consent of the Government, or any responsible officer representing the Government.
5. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be invited for the construction of the Avoca to Ararat Railway Line.
6. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether it is competent for any Minister or other person to refer a report or any other matter to a Committee of this House without such report being first placed on the Table of this House, the Committees of this House being necessarily subordinate to the House itself.
7. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will take into consideration the request conveyed to him by petition from the tobacco growers of the north-eastern portion of the colony.
8. MR. KEYS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the opening of the southern railway line and the rapid increase of the traffic between Oakleigh and Dandenong, he will provide, on this year's estimates, for the duplication of that portion of the Gippsland line.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. LAURENS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The amount of money borrowed for railway construction in Victoria remaining unpaid on the 31st December, 1881.
 - (2.) The then average rate of interest on same.
 - (3.) The amount of money borrowed for railway construction remaining unpaid on the 31st December, 1883.
 - (4.) The then average rate of interest on same.
 - (5.) The amount of money borrowed for railway construction remaining unpaid on 30th June, 1888.
 - (6.) The average rate of interest on same.
 - (7.) The gross amount of annual interest that has now to be paid on the amount of money borrowed for railway construction.
 - (8.) The gross amount of annual interest which would have now to be paid if the average rate of interest was so high as on the 31st December, 1883.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—Consideration of Report.
2. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—Consideration of Report.
3. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—Consideration of Report.
4. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. MARINE STORES BILL—Second reading.
6. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
7. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
8. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

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 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.

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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
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 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
 2. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
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No. 15.

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5. **MR. LANGDON**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be invited for the construction of the Avoca to Ararat Railway Line.
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7. **MR. ANDERSON** (Williers and Heytesbury): To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if the land colored brown on the map of Dundas and Boreang, parish of Boreang, formerly selected by and surveyed for various applicants, has been since let by the department to any person or persons.
8. **DR. QUICK**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether it is true that the appointment of Chief Warder at Pentridge was recently given to an officer who was junior in the service to several experienced and efficient senior warders, some of whom had been from time to time entrusted with the duties of Acting Governors of country gaols, and two at least of whom were applicants for the position; if so, on whose recommendation and under what circumstances were the claims of these senior officers passed over and ignored.
9. **MR. COOPER**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the Broomfield siding will be opened for traffic.
10. **MR. PEIRCE**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he intends to take any action with regard to the communication addressed to him by the Public Service Association as to the mode of computation of the retiring allowances of the officers and warders in lunatic asylums.
11. **MR. GRAHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture when he will be prepared to introduce the Insect Pest Bill promised last session.
12. **MR. TOOHEY**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is prepared to consider the propriety of adding an insurance premium to the ordinary railway fares with a view to relieve the revenue from the enormous charge imposed upon it when railway accidents occur.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the portion of Minutes of the Conference of Inspectors held in Melbourne in February last relating to scholarships and exhibitions.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **MARINE STORES BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL**—Second reading.
6. **PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

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7. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
8. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
10. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY.

Questions.

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THURSDAY, 26TH JULY.

Question.

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WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.

- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
2. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"
2. MR. HALL : To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 24th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.
LIBRARY—at four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20 JULY, 1888.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[15]
Patent Laws Amendment Bill.—[6]
Intestates' Widows Relief Bill.—[18]
Military Reserves Sale Regulation Bill.—[25]
First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders. D.—No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. UREN : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will inquire of the Honorable the Minister of Defence—
 - (1.) If he will provide uniforms for members of Rifle Volunteers who have previously been in Rifle Clubs and purchased rifles in lieu of supplying them with a rifle.
 - (2.) If not, will he allow a refund of the cost of the rifles already purchased by such volunteers.
2. MR. KEYS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the opening of the southern railway line and the rapid increase of the traffic between Oakleigh and Dandenong, he will provide, on this year's estimates, for the duplication of that portion of the Gippsland line.
3. MR. WHEELER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when it is proposed to build a new State School at Yandoit.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be invited for the construction of the Avoca to Ararat Railway Line.
5. MR. ANDREWS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) What has been done with respect to the appointment of an entomologist.
 - (2.) How many applicants were there in the Public Service for the position in reply to the recent Gazette notice.
 - (3.) If no suitable person is available in the Public Service for the appointment, will he allow gentlemen outside the service to compete for it.
6. MR. ANDERSON (Creswick) : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Is it a fact that not one teacher has been promoted to the first sub-class of the fourth or fifth classes for the past $3\frac{1}{2}$ years.
 - (2.) If so, does the Honorable the Minister intend to take any action this session to remove the block.
7. MR. PEIRCE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will have the second Thursday in August proclaimed a Bank and Public Holiday, that being the day on which the annual elections for all shires, boroughs, towns, and cities (Melbourne and Geelong excepted) take place.
8. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will, this Session, amend the Land Acts of 1865 and 1869 so far as regards the 42nd section of the first, and the 49th of the latter Act, by removing lands held under those sections from the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884.
9. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the several amounts mentioned in the return placed before this House last week *re* the damaged rails at Lancefield, &c., were the amounts of the full cost of replacing and repairing such rails, and also of altering and re-altering the balance of engines, or was the estimated value of old rails and other material then either set aside or replaced deducted from such full cost.
10. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has given instructions to take proceedings against miners residing on leased land for not having miners' rights.
11. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Whether, under the existing law or any regulation made in accordance with law, it is imperative that alluvial miners and prospectors, whose occupation is necessarily of an unsettled character, should be compelled to register their residences on otherwise unoccupied Crown Lands.
 - (2.) Whether such miners have been prosecuted and harassed by the Police in consequence of such non-registration.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :

1. MR. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the appointment of Chief Engineer of the Government Steamer *Lady Loch*.

Government Business. (Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

1. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARINE STORES BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
12. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

(200 copies.)

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS.—To be taken into consideration.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.
4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1884 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but, on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas, the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
2. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
3. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
4. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
5. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
6. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
7. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
8. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.

9. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
10. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
11. MR. LEVIEREN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited ; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
12. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
13. MR. BROWN : To move—
 (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
14. MR. MADDEN : To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 10, 27, and 51, relating to Private Bills, be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction railway, and for other purposes.
2. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction railway, and for other purposes.
3. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
4. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move that the Select Committee on the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill consist of Mr. Andrews, Mr. Brown, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. A. Young, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
5. MR. MADDEN : To move, That the Select Committee on the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill consist of Mr. Anderson (Creswick), Mr. Bosisto, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Highett, and the Mover ; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
6. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Select Committee on the Mercantile, Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Bill consist of Mr. Anderson (Villiers and Heytesbury), Mr. Hall, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Zox, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
7. MR. TUCKER : To move, That the Select Committee on the Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill consist of Mr. Gardiner, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Rees, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
8. DR. QUICK : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited; be now read a second time.
9. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 18; relating to Private Bills, be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited.
10. MR. MIRAMS : To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited.
11. MR. COPPIN : To move, That the Bill to amend An Act intituled "An Act to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association" be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 26TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if any legal opinion has been obtained as to the legality of the Public Service Board or the Government retaining the services of any officer over sixty years of age after the time for his retirement has been fixed by an Order in Council, and also if any legal power exists to renew such Order in Council ; and if so, will he have any objection to lay it on the Table of the House on motion.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion ; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
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TUESDAY, 31ST JULY.

Question.

1. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer what is the position of apprentices in the Government Printing Office when out of their time ; are they continued at work as journeymen, or have they to compete with the other printers for employment.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

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1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
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such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.

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WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

General Business.

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2. MR. HALL : To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act* 1884; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 26th July.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT OF OTHER COLONIES—at three o'clock.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 20 JULY, 1888.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 14 and 15.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[16]

Merchandise Marks Bill.—[5.] Amendment proposed by Mr. Woods. (To Members of Assembly only.)

The Phylloxera Vine Disease Act 1880 Amendment Bill.—[39]

Public Service Amendment Bill.—[47]

Reserves of the Melbourne Corporation.—Return. C.—No. 3.

Statistical Register for the Colony of Victoria for the year 1887.—Part I.—Blue Book. No. 25.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, after the promises made, what provision has been made for the drainage of the Koowerup Swamp.
3. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) When was the first survey of the Maldon to Laanecoorie line commenced, and when was it completed.
 - (2.) Was it a permanent survey.
 - (3.) What was the total cost of the survey.
 - (4.) To what distance did the survey deviate from the route scheduled in Railway Construction Act, No. 821.
 - (5.) When was the second survey of this line commenced, and when completed.
 - (6.) Was it a permanent survey.
 - (7.) What was the total cost of the second survey.
 - (8.) How many surveys of other lines have been completed and contracts let for the same since the completion of the second survey.
 - (9.) Are plans and specifications for the construction of the line being prepared; and, if so, which route.
 - (10.) What extra length of line will be required if the route first surveyed be adopted to bring it to the scheduled terminal point.
 - (11.) What was the estimated cost of the line when it was submitted to Parliament.
4. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) If it is true that the practice still exists that all newspapers sent from this colony to New South Wales have to bear postage stamps, and that newspapers from New South Wales to Victoria are sent and delivered free of postage.
 - (2.) If so, will he endeavour to place the newspapers of both colonies regarding postage and delivery on an equal footing.
5. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.
6. MR. KEYS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the duplication of the Mordialloc line will be completed.
7. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply whether the Government intend to constitute the Wimmera Irrigation Trust upon the petition of the large landowners, and against the wishes of the large majority of the farmers.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. MARINE STORES BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

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 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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3. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
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- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
- 9. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
- 10. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
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- 14. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
- 15. MR. BROWN: To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
- 16. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS.—To be further taken into consideration.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.
4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move that there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 26th July.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT OF OTHER COLONIES—at three o'clock.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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4. MR. BROWN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has considered the petition signed by 140 miners at Wilson's Reef, Marong, requesting the exemption of the site of a reservoir in that locality from occupation under miners' rights, and will he take immediate steps to comply with the petition.
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8. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.

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 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

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*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. A. YOUNG** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the construction of the line from Scarsdale to Linton.
2. **MR. BOURCHIER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed ; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.
3. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.
4. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier what provision the Government intends to make for Bombadier Mackenzie, who lost his arm in the execution of his duty at the Domain battery on the 1st August.
5. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the railway surveys from Wangaratta to the Upper King and Mansfield have been completed, and if the other surveys to connect the Upper King with the North-Eastern line of railway have been completed.
6. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary is it a fact that warders and others employed in lunatic asylums are required to sign a document not to disclose to the outside public any matter or transaction which may come under their notice in reference to asylums.
7. **MR. HALL** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what steps are being taken to provide suitable accommodation at the Benalla Court-house.
8. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
9. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether it is correct that formerly the Committee of Classifiers entered applicants upon the transfer list in the order of their priority for promotion upon the classified roll, but that lately they have altered their policy and enter their names in the order of record of application.
 - (2.) If so, when was such an important change made, and what steps, if any, were taken by the Committee of Classifiers to notify the persons interested of the alteration.
10. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether the Public Service Board were responsible for the delay in paying the overtime due to the out-door officers of the Customs Department (worked for in the month of May and paid into the consolidated revenue by the mercantile public) till the 6th of the present month.
11. **DR. QUICK** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what rule is observed in the appointment of police magistrates, and whether the claims and experience of clerks of the peace in country districts receive consideration and recognition in making such appointments.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when the telegraph extension to Orbost will be available for public use.

*NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :*

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 - (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 - (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 - (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled, and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 - (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
2. **MR. BROWN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.

3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) All trains which have been run outside of suburban radius on Sundays since 1st January last to 31st July, showing whether goods, stock, or passengers.
 (2.) The Sunday traffic on the line between Mordialloc and Frankston, showing number of passengers carried, and amount received for fares, from date of opening to 31st July, 1888.
 (3.) The number of men employed in repairing and altering railway lines on permanent-way on Sundays from 1st January to 31st July, 1888.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DOW : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the better management and conservation of timber on lands of the Crown.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
12. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. MIRAMS : To move that the Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Limited be now read a second time.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That the Select Committee on the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill consist of Mr. Shackell, Mr. L. L. Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Zox, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
4. DR. QUICK : To move, That the Select Committee on the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill, consist of Mr. Bailes, Mr. Feild, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Tuthill, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
5. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled “*An Act to Protect Game.*”
2. MR. HALL : To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
3. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
4. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.

5. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
6. MR. WOODS: To move—
 (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pepe's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department, and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
7. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
8. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray; this House is of opinion—
 (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
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18. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
19. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
20. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, re the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
21. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
22. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
23. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
25. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

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THURSDAY, 16TH AUGUST.

Questions.

1. MR. BROWN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.
 2. MR. BROWN: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when Telegraphic facilities will be afforded to the people of Marong.
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TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST.

Question.

MR. PEIRCE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—

- (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move that there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
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TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

Contingent on going into Committee of Ways and Means:—

2. MR. REES: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is essential to the maintenance of the Agricultural and Pastoral interests of the colony, that additional duty be placed on all oats, barley, and live stock imported into Victoria.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 15th August.

AUSTRALASIAN NATIVES TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at eleven o'clock.
EQUITY TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at two o'clock.

Thursday, 16th August.

BALLARAT TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at two o'clock.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS OF OTHER PARLIAMENTS—at three o'clock.

Tuesday, 21st August.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 22nd August.

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Questions.

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Government Business.

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(200 copies.)

2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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14. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

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 - (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 - (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 - (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 - (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 - (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 - (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 - (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award; if so, what section.
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9. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
10. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
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 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required, within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
12. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.

13. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing ~~an~~ English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
14. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
15. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
16. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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19. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
20. MR. BROWN: To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
21. MR. MADDEN: To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
22. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
23. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
25. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.

26. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—

- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
- (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.

27. MR. GAUNSON: To move—

- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
- (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.

28. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—

- (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
- (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—

- (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

29. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

30. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS.—To be further taken into consideration.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.
4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST.

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WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move that there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them ; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Syduey, is the most suitable place for this factory.

Contingent on going into Committee of Ways and Means:—

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 (1.) That additional duty be placed on all oats and barley imported into Victoria.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 16th August.

BALLARAT TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at two o'clock.

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS OF OTHER PARLIAMENTS—at three o'clock.

Tuesday, 21st August.

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LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

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13. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
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 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
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15. MR. MADDEN : To move—
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 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
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20. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
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 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
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 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
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23. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. MIRAMS : To move that the Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Limited be now read a second time.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That the Select Committee on the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill consist of Mr. Shackell, Mr. L. L. Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Zox, and the mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.

4. DR. QUICK : To move, That the Select Committee on the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill, consist of Mr. Bailes, Mr. Feild, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Tuthill, and the Mover ; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.

5. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—

(1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.

(2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—

(a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them ; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.

(b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

(c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other ; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.

(d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

2. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in-lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border-town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 21st August.

MERCANTILE FINANCE AND TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at eleven o'clock.
GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 22nd August.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
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 - (2.) If so, when was such an important change made, and what steps, if any, were taken by the Committee of Classifiers to notify the persons interested of the alteration.
4. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
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 - (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warder, 8s. 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :

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 7. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
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TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST.

Question:

1. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
 2. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to Protect Game."

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca.—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 23.

THURSDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
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 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
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2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
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 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
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(200 copies.)

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12. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the promised accommodation at the Benalla Court-house will be undertaken.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. WAYS AND MEANS—The question is—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, to which the following amendment has been moved—That all words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following words, viz. :—"in the opinion of this House, it is essential to the maintenance of the Agricultural and Pastoral interests of the colony—
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2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
- (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
- (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
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- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
2. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them ; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether it is correct that formerly the Committee of Classifiers entered applicants upon the transfer list in the order of their priority for promotion upon the classified roll, but that lately they have altered their policy and enter their names in the order of record of application.
 - (2.) If so, when was such an important change made, and what steps, if any, were taken by the Committee of Classifiers to notify the persons interested of the alteration.
4. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
 - (2.) If he will cause an estimate to be prepared of the probable increase in value of Lunatic Asylum sites with direct railway communication with Melbourne.
 - (3.) What is the difference in distance between Clifton Hill Railway Station and Johnston-street, by surveyed railway route, and by Clifton Hill and Royal Park route to Melbourne.
5. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If Warden W. F. Dennis, of the Melbourne Gaol, has been refused the sixpence per day long service pay; and if such sixpence per day has been paid to Warders Dowling, Cox, McRae, and Henry, of the Melbourne Gaol, they having served ten years in the Lunacy and Penal Departments combined.
 - (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warden, 8s 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
 - (3.) Will the Chief Secretary direct that Dennis be paid the extra sixpence per day from the 27th September, 1886, on which day he completed ten years' service in the Penal and Lunacy Departments combined.
6. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.
7. **MR. BOURCHIER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.
8. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when Telegraphic facilities will be afforded to the people of Marong.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.
10. **MR. MURPHY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the platform at Navigators will be opened for traffic.

(200 copies.)

11. MR. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) Whether his attention has been called to a very remarkable safety cage or lift on view in the New South Wales Court of the Exhibition, and known as "Husband's Catch," which seems to be absolutely proof against the possibility of accident, and which can be applied to any form of lift or cage, at an almost nominal cost, with about one hour's labour.
 - (2.) Whether the Honorable the Minister will cause the merits of the "catch" to be examined into and reported on, in the public interest as well as for the safety of miners; as for the protection of those who are in the habit of using elevators in towns; and
 - (3.) Whether, supposing the report to be favorable, the Minister will have the "catch" tested by application to the elevator in this building.
12. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the promised accommodation at the Benalla Court-house will be undertaken
13. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunningham.
14. MR. ANDERSON (Villiers and Heytesbury): To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Department of Railways will be in a position to undertake the survey of the proposed line from Mortlake to Maroona.
15. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :

1. MR. COOPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
2. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 - (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 - (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 - (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled, and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 - (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
3. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.
4. MR. LAURENS: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The name and respective position in the Railway Department of the persons composing the Board appointed to inquire into the extensive damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last.
 - (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 - (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 - (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 - (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 - (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 - (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 - (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award; if so, what section

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. WAYS AND MEANS—*The question is*—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, *to which the following amendment has been moved*—That all words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following words, viz.:—"in the opinion of this House, it is essential to the maintenance of the Agricultural and Pastoral interests of the colony—
 - "(1.) That additional duty be placed on all oats and barley imported into Victoria.
 - "(2.) That the import duty on live stock be readjusted, and in certain cases increased; and
 - "(3.) That the railway charges for the carriage of wheat and other agricultural produce be reduced to the minimum paying rates."—Resumption of debate.
2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.
12. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move that there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
2. MR. HALL: To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
3. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
7. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
8. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
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11. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
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13. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.

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 (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
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 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
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16. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
17. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
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 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 28th August.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24 AUGUST, 1888.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[24]

Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Limited Bill.—[24] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25, applying with regard to the 25th August, 1888.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1888.

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3. MR. TUTHILL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—

- (1.) Whether it is correct that formerly the Committee of Classifiers entered applicants upon the transfer list in the order of their priority for promotion upon the classified roll, but that lately they have altered their policy and enter their names in the order of record of application.
- (2.) If so, when was such an important change made, and what steps, if any, were taken by the Committee of Classifiers to notify the persons interested of the alteration.

4. MR. FEILD : To ask the Honorable the Premier—

- (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
- (2.) If he will cause an estimate to be prepared of the probable increase in value of Lunatic Asylum sites with direct railway communication with Melbourne.
- (3.) What is the difference in distance between Clifton Hill Railway Station and Johnston-street, by surveyed railway route, and by Clifton Hill and Royal Park route to Melbourne.

5. MR. PEIRCE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—

- (1.) If Warden W. F. Dennis, of the Melbourne Gaol, has been refused the sixpence per day long service pay; and if such sixpence per day has been paid to Warders Dowling, Cox, McRae, and Henry, of the Melbourne Gaol, they having served ten years in the Lunacy and Penal Departments combined.
- (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warden, 8s 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
- (3.) Will the Chief Secretary direct that Dennis be paid the extra sixpence per day from the 27th September, 1886, on which day he completed ten years' service in the Penal and Lunacy Departments combined.

6. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.

7. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.

8. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when Telegraphic facilities will be afforded to the people of Marong.

9. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.

10. MR. MURPHY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the platform at Navigators will be opened for traffic.

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11. MR. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) Whether his attention has been called to a very remarkable safety cage or lift on view in the New South Wales Court of the Exhibition, and known as "Husband's Catch," which seems to be absolutely proof against the possibility of accident, and which can be applied to any form of lift or cage, at an almost nominal cost, with about one hour's labour.
 - (2.) Whether the Honorable the Minister will cause the merits of the "catch" to be examined into and reported on, in the public interest as well as for the safety of miners, as for the protection of those who are in the habit of using elevators in towns; and
 - (3.) Whether, supposing the report to be favorable, the Minister will have the "catch" tested by application to the elevator in this building?
12. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the promised accommodation at the Benalla Court-house will be undertaken.
13. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunningham.
14. MR. ANDERSON (Villiers and Heytesbury): To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Department of Railways will be in a position to undertake the survey of the proposed line from Mortlake to Maroona.
15. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into consideration this session the project for the drainage of the Sebastopol Plateau.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. COOPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
2. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 - (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 - (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 - (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled, and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 - (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
3. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.
4. MR. LAURENS: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The name and respective position in the Railway Department of the persons composing the Board appointed to inquire into the extensive damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last.
 - (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 - (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 - (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 - (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 - (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 - (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 - (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award; if so, what section

Government Business:

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WAYS AND MEANS—*The question is*—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, *to which the following amendment has been moved*—That all words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following words, viz.:—"in the opinion of this House, it is essential to the maintenance of the Agricultural and Pastoral interests of the colony—
 - "(1.) That additional duty be placed on all oats and barley imported into Victoria.
 - "(2.) That the import duty on live stock be readjusted, and in certain cases increased; and
 - "(3.) That the railway charges for the carriage of wheat and other agricultural produce be reduced to the minimum paying rates."—Resumption of debate.
2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.
12. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer additional powers upon the Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Limited be now taken into consideration.
2. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move that the Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Limited be now read a second time.
4. MR. COPPIN: To move, That the Select Committee on the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill consist of Mr. Shackell, Mr. L. L. Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Zox, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
5. DR. QUICK: To move, That the Select Committee on the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill, consist of Mr. Bailes, Mr. Feld, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Tuthill, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
6. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
7. MR. MADDEN: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now taken into consideration.
8. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
9. MR. TUCKER: To move: That the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer powers upon the Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited be now taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

2. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled, "An Act to Protect Game."
3. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move that there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
4. MR. HALL : To move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon, the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act* 1884; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
5. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubtedly intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
7. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
8. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
9. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small-Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
10. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
11. MR. HARPER : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
12. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
13. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
14. MR. LEVIEN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
15. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.

16. MR. BROWN : To move—
 (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval, and confidence of the people of this colony.
 (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
17. MR. MADDEN : To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
18. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
19. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
20. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
21. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re*, the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
22. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
23. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
25. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS.—To be further taken into consideration.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.
4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 30th August.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day No. 9.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 24.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[25]

Inspectors of Explosives—Reports of the—1887. No. 70.

Fisheries Reports.—Return. C.—No. 2.

Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Bill; together with the Proceedings of Committee, and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
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Government Business.

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2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
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15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

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8. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
9. MR. TUCKER : To move : That the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer powers upon the Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited be now taken into consideration.
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13. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
14. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
15. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
16. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
17. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.

- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
18. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
19. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
20. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
21. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
22. MR. LEVIEN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
23. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
24. MR. BROWN: To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
25. MR. MADDEN: To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
26. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
27. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
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29. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
30. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll..
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 2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
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 4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
 6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
 7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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 9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 27.

TUESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

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8. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
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16. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are; and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
17. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.

- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
18. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
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20. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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23. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
24. MR. BROWN: To move—
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 (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
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25. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
26. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
27. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
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29. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
30. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
31. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
32. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
33. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

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WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

- (c) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 4th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

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No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether it is correct that formerly the Committee of Classifiers entered applicants upon the transfer list in the order of their priority for promotion upon the classified roll, but that lately they have altered their policy and enter their names in the order of record of application.
 - (2.) If so, when was such an important change made, and what steps, if any, were taken by the Committee of Classifiers to notify the persons interested of the alteration.
4. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
 - (2.) If he will cause an estimate to be prepared of the probable increase in value of Lunatic Asylum sites with direct railway communication with Melbourne.
 - (3.) What is the difference in distance between Clifton Hill Railway Station and Johnston-street, by surveyed railway route, and by Clifton Hill and Royal Park route to Melbourne.
5. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If Warder W. F. Dennis, of the Melbourne Gaol, has been refused the sixpence per day long service pay; and if such sixpence per day has been paid to Warders Dowling, Cox, McRae, and Henry, of the Melbourne Gaol, they having served ten years in the Lunacy and Penal Departments combined.
 - (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warder, 8s. 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
 - (3.) Will the Chief Secretary direct that Dennis be paid the extra sixpence per day from the 27th September, 1886, on which day he completed ten years' service in the Penal and Lunacy Departments combined.
6. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.
7. **MR. BOURCHIER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.
8. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when Telegraphic facilities will be afforded to the people of Marong.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.
10. **MR. MURPHY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the platform at Navigators will be opened for traffic.

(200 copies.)

11. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—

- (1.) Whether his attention has been called to a very remarkable safety cage or lift on view in the New South Wales Court of the Exhibition, and known as "Husband's Catch," which seems to be absolutely proof against the possibility of accident, and which can be applied to any form of lift or cage, at an almost nominal cost, with about one hour's labour.
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 - (3.) Whether, supposing the report to be favorable, the Minister will have the "catch" tested by application to the elevator in this building.
12. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the promised accommodation at the Benalla Court-house will be undertaken
13. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunningham.
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8. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
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 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
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 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

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- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

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THURSDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
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4. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
 - (2.) If he will cause an estimate to be prepared of the probable increase in value of Lunatic Asylum sites with direct railway communication with Melbourne.
 - (3.) What is the difference in distance between Clifton Hill Railway Station and Johnston-street, by surveyed railway route, and by Clifton Hill and Royal Park route to Melbourne.
5. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If Warder W. F. Dennis, of the Melbourne Gaol, has been refused the sixpence per day long service pay; and if such sixpence per day has been paid to Warders Dowling, Cox, McRae, and Henry, of the Melbourne Gaol, they having served ten years in the Lunacy and Penal Departments combined.
 - (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warder, 8s. 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
 - (3.) Will the Chief Secretary direct that Dennis be paid the extra sixpence per day from the 27th September, 1886, on which day he completed ten years' service in the Penal and Lunacy Departments combined.
6. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.
7. **MR. BOURCHIER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.
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13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunninghamhe.
14. **MR. ANDERSON** (Villiers and Heytesbury) : To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Department of Railways will be in a position to undertake the survey of the proposed line from Mortlake to Maroona.
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1. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**—*The question is*—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, *to which the following amendment has been moved*—That all words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following words, viz. :—"in the opinion of this House, it is essential to the maintenance of the Agricultural and Pastoral interests of the colony—
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2. **MARINE STORES BILL**—Consideration of report.
3. **MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. **INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL**—Second reading.
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 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 30.

TUESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Are all the vacancies not open for competitive examination under section 30 of Act No. 767 notified; if so, how.
 - (2.) How many promotions have been made after competitive examinations have been held under section 31 of the Act.
 - (3.) How many officers have protested, and have been given the opportunity to show cause why they ought not to be passed over.
2. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Accountant's Branch in his department has to be worked overtime for the first five nights in every month until 9.30 p.m. to expedite the payment of salaries in the department, and that this system of overtime work has been carried on ever since the beginning of August 1887, or more than twelve months, without any payments for overtime being made such as are made in the Statist's Office, the Water Supply Department, the Public Service Board staff, the Post Office Savings Bank Branch, the Defence Department, &c.; and whether, the facts being as here set forth the Minister will provide for the adequate remuneration of the clerks in the Accountant's Branch of his department.
3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether it is correct that formerly the Committee of Classifiers entered applicants upon the transfer list in the order of their priority for promotion upon the classified roll, but that lately they have altered their policy and enter their names in the order of record of application.
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4. **MR. FEILD** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If, prior to any steps being taken to offer for sale the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites, he will consider the desirability of authorizing direct railway communication between Johnston-street, Collingwood, and Flinders-street, Melbourne; thereby increasing the value of the land proposed to be sold.
 - (2.) If he will cause an estimate to be prepared of the probable increase in value of Lunatic Asylum sites with direct railway communication with Melbourne.
 - (3.) What is the difference in distance between Clifton Hill Railway Station and Johnston-street, by surveyed railway route, and by Clifton Hill and Royal Park route to Melbourne.
5. **MR. PEIRCE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If Warden W. F. Dennis, of the Melbourne Gaol, has been refused the sixpence per day long service pay; and if such sixpence per day has been paid to Warders Dowling, Cox, McRae, and Henry, of the Melbourne Gaol, they having served ten years in the Lunacy and Penal Departments combined.
 - (2.) Is the Chief Secretary aware that Dennis is a transferee under the old Act from the Lunacy to the Penal Department, and as such has received the pay of a second-class warden, 8s. 6d. per day, from the first day he did duty in the gaol.
 - (3.) Will the Chief Secretary direct that Dennis be paid the extra sixpence per day from the 27th September, 1886, on which day he completed ten years' service in the Penal and Lunacy Departments combined.
6. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the erection of the Huntly Railway will be proceeded with.
7. **MR. BOURCHIER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if the plans for the McCorma Channel are completed; and, if so, when the work will be proceeded with.
8. **MR. BROWN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when Telegraphic facilities will be afforded to the people of Marong.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the fact that the vote for indexing the journals of this House is exhausted, and to ask if provision will be at once made to complete this desirable work.
10. **MR. MURPHY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the platform at Navigators will be opened for traffic.

(200 copies.)

11. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 (1.) Whether his attention has been called to a very remarkable safety cage or lift on view in the New South Wales Court of the Exhibition, and known as "Husband's Catch," which seems to be absolutely proof against the possibility of accident, and which can be applied to any form of lift or cage, at an almost nominal cost, with about one hour's labour.
 (2.) Whether the Honorable the Minister will cause the merits of the "catch" to be examined into and reported on, in the public interest as well as for the safety of miners, as for the protection of those who are in the habit of using elevators in towns ; and
 (3.) Whether, supposing the report to be favorable, the Minister will have the "catch" tested by application to the elevator in this building.
12. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the promised accommodation at the Benalla Court-house will be undertaken.
13. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunningham.
14. MR. ANDERSON (Villiers and Heytesbury) : To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Department of Railways will be in a position to undertake the survey of the proposed line from Mortlake to Maroona.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
2. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House—
 (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled; and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
3. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.
4. MR. LAURENS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The name and respective position in the Railway Department of the persons composing the Board appointed to inquire into the extensive damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last.
 (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award ; if so, what section.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
3. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
5. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate
8. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
9. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.
12. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. PHYLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

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3. MR. HALL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
4. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
5. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
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8. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
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14. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.

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 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.

- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment *in Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 11th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs when the promised light will be erected on the jetty at Cunningham.
2. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will take into consideration the increase of native dogs in certain mountainous districts either still held by the Crown as unalienated Crown Lands or Reserves, with a view of increased subsidy for their destruction.
3. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is intended to open the lines from Numurkah to Nathalia, Shepparton to Dookie, and Numurkah to Cobram.
4. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether the annual report of the Railways Commissioners for the year ending 30th June, 1888, will contain separate statements of divisional revenue and expenditure, in accordance with what has been the practice in past years.
5. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will introduce the clearing-house system into the Railway Department, so as to show receipts and profit on each section of the railways, and each class of freight.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when steps will be taken to construct the extension to the wharf of the railway to Port Fairy.
7. MR. LEVIEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Government will consider favorably the claims of the Borough of Queenscliff for a special vote to make good the cost which it is necessary to incur to repair the roads so much used for heavy traffic in connection with the Defence works, and also in view of the large proportion of the buildings being Government buildings, and therefore not subject to pay rates.
8. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has noticed the announcement that recently there were 500 applicants for employment as policemen, and if he is aware of any reason for this excessive number of applicants.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
2. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 - (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 - (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 - (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled, and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 - (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
3. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.
4. MR. LAURENS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The name and respective position in the Railway Department of the persons composing the Board appointed to inquire into the extensive damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last.
 - (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 - (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 - (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 - (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 - (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 - (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 - (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award ; if so, what section.
- *5. MR. COPPIN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the age, nationality, trade or calling of the recent applicants for employment in the Police Force ; and whether the applicants were out of employment at the time, also those who were selected for service.

- MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The names of all vessels conveying Chinese passengers to this colony this year.
 (2.) The names of the captains thereof.
 (3.) The names of the owners and agents thereof.
 (4.) The number of Chinese passengers for this port by each vessel.
 (5.) The number landed from each vessel, distinguishing between those paying the poll-tax, and those holding letters of naturalization.
 (6.) The poll-tax levied in respect of each vessel.
 (7.) The date of arrival of each vessel.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

- MR. WALKER:** To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain portions of *The Marine Board Act 1887*, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
4. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
7. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
11. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate
12. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
13. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.
16. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
17. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading
18. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL.—Second reading.
19. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer additional powers upon the Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Limited be now taken into consideration.
2. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilecunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Limited be now read a second time.
4. MR. COPPIN: To move, That the Select Committee on the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill consist of Mr. Shackell, Mr. L. L. Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Zox, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
5. DR. QUICK: To move, That the Select Committee on the Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill, consist of Mr. Bailes, Mr. Feild, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Tuthill, and the Mover; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
6. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
7. MR. MADDEN: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now taken into consideration.
8. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Ballarat Trustees Executors, and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
9. MR. TUCKER: To move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to confer powers upon the Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited be now taken into consideration.

*General Business.***NOTICES OF MOTION:**

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
2. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"
3. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
4. MR. HALL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
5. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
7. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already excepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
8. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
9. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
10. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
11. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
12. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.

13. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
14. MR. LEVIEN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited ; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
15. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
16. MR. BROWN : To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
17. MR. MADDEN : To move—
 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
18. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
19. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
20. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
21. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
22. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
23. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion ; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
25. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
26. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
27. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
28. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin ; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS—CONSIDERATION OF—*The question is*—That this House is of opinion that the Petitioners should be forthwith classified, and instructs the Government accordingly.—Resumption of debate.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.

4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
 6. HOTEL PROPERTY: RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
 7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
 9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will include in the next annual report of the Education Department a *résumé* of the general educational status of the colony after the plan of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Education, United States of America.
2. MR. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take into consideration the advisability of appointing a Commission to inquire into the working of the various Companies statutes, with the view to the better protection of those persons who may be induced to subscribe for shares in undertakings formed under the provisions thereof.
3. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if his attention has been directed to the report of a Royal Commission of Inquiry into the state of Public Education in Victoria, and the suggestions as to the best means of improving it, made by Mr. Charles H. Pearson, Commissioner, in 1878. If so, to inquire, whether the Minister is willing to frame regulations as regards "the duties and powers of Boards of Advice," so as to embrace the 19 clauses, pages 85–87, referring to this subject. Further, to ask, if the Minister is disposed to give effect to the various other recommendations contained in the said report, especially as regards "High Schools."
4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has sanctioned the Boards of Advice each spending £5 per annum in connection with their various schools, in spite of the fact that the Bill to amend the Education Act, which contained a clause to that effect, was lost last session.
5. MR. LANGRIDGE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been directed to the anomaly that exists in the carrying out of *The Factories and Shops Act* 1885, some localities closing at seven, and some at nine and ten o'clock p.m.; and if he is aware that this has been brought about by section 45 of *The Factories and Shops Act* 1885 giving municipalities power to alter, on petition, the hours, and thus causing great injury and loss to many tradesmen and shopkeepers; and, if so, will he bring in a Bill to amend the Act during the present session so as to meet these cases.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will recommend the Governor in Council to amend the regulations under the Education Act relative to the election of members of Boards of Advice, so as to provide for all elections being held on the 9th day of August in each year, and by this means save expense to the department and afford every ratepayer a better and reasonable opportunity to elect representatives to both the councils and the school boards throughout Victoria, and likewise prohibit persons voting whose names do not appear on the Parliamentary or Municipal Electoral Rolls.
7. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will follow out the system in force in America, and issue from time to time "Circulars of Information" for the benefit of the Teachers and Boards of Advice, dealing with educational subjects of various kinds.
8. MR. GORDON: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) Whether he has given consideration to the question of reducing the postal rates to Canada, *via* San Francisco.
 - (2.) If so, will he inform the House what he has decided to do.
9. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will have the various regulations relating to the administration and curriculum of State Schools compiled in book form, and a copy supplied to every Board of Advice throughout Victoria.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the maximum and minimum amount of salary paid to Head Teachers and Assistant Teachers, male and female, together with other emoluments in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th class schools under the Education Department, also the maximum and minimum salary paid by the Education Departments in the adjoining Colonies of Australasia, and in Europe and America.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment *in Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 13th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.
STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 32.

THURSDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will include in the next annual report of the Education Department a *résumé* of the general educational status of the colony after the plan of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Education, United States of America.
2. MR. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take into consideration the advisability of appointing a Commission to inquire into the working of the various Companies statutes, with the view to the better protection of those persons who may be induced to subscribe for shares in undertakings formed under the provisions thereof.
3. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if his attention has been directed to the report of a Royal Commission of Inquiry into the state of Public Education in Victoria, and the suggestions as to the best means of improving it, made by Mr. Charles H. Pearson, Commissioner, in 1878. If so, to inquire, whether the Minister is willing to frame regulations as regards "the duties and powers of Boards of Advice," so as to embrace the 19 clauses, pages 85-87, referring to this subject. Further, to ask, if the Minister is disposed to give effect to the various other recommendations contained in the said report, especially as regards "High Schools."
4. MR. KEYS : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he expects to be in a position to introduce the Amended Local Government Bill; and in view of the state of business in this House, will he consent to refer that measure to a Select Committee of this House or to a Joint Committee of both Houses.
5. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has sanctioned the Boards of Advice each spending £5 per annum in connection with their various schools, in spite of the fact that the Bill to amend the Education Act, which contained a clause to that effect, was lost last session.
6. MR. LANGRIDGE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been directed to the anomaly that exists in the carrying out of *The Factories and Shops Act* 1885, some localities closing at seven, and some at nine and ten o'clock p.m.; and if he is aware that this has been brought about by section 45 of *The Factories and Shops Act* 1885 giving municipalities power to alter, on petition, the hours, and thus causing great injury and loss to many tradesmen and shopkeepers; and, if so, will he bring in a Bill to amend the Act during the present session so as to meet these cases.
7. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will recommend the Governor in Council to amend the regulations under the Education Act relative to the election of members of Boards of Advice, so as to provide for all elections being held on the 9th day of August in each year, and by this means save expense to the department and afford every ratepayer a better and reasonable opportunity to elect representatives to both the councils and the school boards throughout Victoria, and likewise prohibit persons voting whose names do not appear on the Parliamentary or Municipal Electoral Rolls.
8. MR. GORDON : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) Whether he has given consideration to the question of reducing the postal rates to Canada, *via* San Francisco.
 - (2.) If so, will he inform the House what he has decided to do.
9. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will have the various regulations relating to the administration and curriculum of State Schools compiled in book form, and a copy supplied to every Board of Advice throughout Victoria.
10. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will take steps to expedite the opening of the direct line to Adelaide, and thereby save time and money to the residents of the Wimmera, Stawell, Ararat, Ripon, Grenville, Ballarat, and other districts.
11. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will follow out the system in force in America, and issue from time to time "Circulars of Information" for the benefit of the Teachers and Boards of Advice, dealing with educational subjects of various kinds.
12. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer what is the cause of delay in the issue by the Government Printer of the quarterly report of the proceedings of the Mining Department, and of the Railway time-table.
13. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if a system of inspection of drawing has been commenced in the State Schools; and, if so, will he appoint an inspector of drawing from the ranks of the drawing masters.
14. MR. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if any steps have been taken with reference to the alterations at the Prince's Bridge Station that will be required to accommodate the traffic on the proposed direct line to the northern suburbs, and whether any report or recommendation has been furnished to him upon the subject by the Railways Commissioners.

15. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey are the Kew and Yarra Bend sites permanent or temporary reservations.
16. MR. UREN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is intended to open the line from the Ballarat Racecourse to the Springs.
17. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will furnish Honorable Members with a copy of the License or other document of title issued to the Chaffey Brothers, or to any other person on their behalf or otherwise, in connection with the Chaffey scheme.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. COOPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantity of land sold each year during the last ten years, in the City of South Melbourne, between the River Yarra and the main road to Port Melbourne, stating the price obtained, by whose orders the said lands were sold, and the estimated present value.
2. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) A plan of the goods, grain, and wool stores and shed, Spencer-street Station, the contract for which was cancelled in 1880, including contract price.
 - (2.) A calculation of the space provided in that contract for the storage of produce, both cubic and superficial.
 - (3.) A plan of coal gears near Dudley-street, capacity of gears, and amount of contract.
 - (4.) A statement showing by whom these contracts, or either of them, was cancelled, and the compensation (if any) paid to contractors for the surrender of contract.
 - (5.) A copy of all official memoranda connected with those contracts.
3. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all staff officers employed in the military forces of the colony, the duties they have to perform, the pay they receive.
4. MR. LAURENS: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The name and respective position in the Railway Department of the persons composing the Board appointed to inquire into the extensive damage done to rails at Lancefield on the 4th February last.
 - (2.) To which branch of the department such members belonged.
 - (3.) The whole of the evidence tendered to the Board, and by whom given.
 - (4.) To which branch of the department the witnesses who gave such evidence belonged, and what position they held in such branch.
 - (5.) The date of and whole report of the Board on the accident.
 - (6.) The award of the Railways Commissioners on the case, and the date of such award.
 - (7.) The date at which the nature of such award was officially communicated to the persons affected by that award.
 - (8.) If the Railways Commissioners Act provides for an appeal from such award; if so, what section.
5. MR. COPPIN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the age, nationality, trade or calling of the recent applicants for employment in the Police Force; and whether the applicants were out of employment at the time, also those who were selected for service.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The names of all vessels conveying Chinese passengers to this colony this year.
 - (2.) The names of the captains thereof.
 - (3.) The names of the owners and agents thereof.
 - (4.) The number of Chinese passengers for this port by each vessel.
 - (5.) The number landed from each vessel, distinguishing between those paying the poll-tax, and those holding letters of naturalization.
 - (6.) The poll-tax levied in respect of each vessel.
 - (7.) The date of arrival of each vessel.

Government Business:

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WALKER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain portions of *The Marine Board Act 1887*, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
4. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
7. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
11. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.

13. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
16. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.]
19. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the maximum and minimum amount of salary paid to Head Teachers and Assistant Teachers, male and female, together with other emoluments in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th class schools under the Education Department, also the maximum and minimum salary paid by the Education Departments in the adjoining Colonies of Australasia, and in Europe and America.
2. MR. TUTHILL: To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
3. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"
4. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
5. MR. HALL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
6. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubtedly intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
7. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
8. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
9. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
10. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.

11. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
12. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
13. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
14. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
15. MR. LEVIER: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
16. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
17. MR. BROWN: To move—
 (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
18. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
19. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
20. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
21. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
22. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, re the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
23. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
24. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
25. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
26. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
27. MR. LANGDON: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
 and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
28. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.

29. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin ; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION OF FEMALE TEACHERS—CONSIDERATION OF—*The question is*—That this House is of opinion that the Petitioners should be forthwith classified, and instructs the Government accordingly.—Resumption of debate.
 2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL.—Second reading.
 3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL.—Second reading.
 4. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 5. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained ; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
 6. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL.—Second reading.
 7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 8. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL.—Second reading.
 9. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL.—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Whether any survey has been made of the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites.
 - (2.) What area it is proposed shall be reserved from sale out of the total area of 800 acres.
 - (3.) If no survey has as yet been made, will he give instructions for the work to be commenced at once ; and
 - (4.) Will the Minister refrain from offering any of the land for sale until after he has supplied to Honorable Members copies of the proposed plan of sub-division, showing the allotments to be sold, as well as the intended public and river frontage reserves.
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WEDNESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION RE JOHN SMITH—To be taken into consideration.
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WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products,

- minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.
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WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 13th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.
STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 33.

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 - (4.) Will the Minister refrain from offering any of the land for sale until after he has supplied to Honorable Members copies of the proposed plan of sub-division, showing the allotments to be sold, as well as the intended public and river frontage reserves.
2. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing the average cost to the country of each student educated at the Melbourne University.
3. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Have Crown grants been applied for by the holders of land under *The Waterworks Construction and Encouragement Act 1886*; and, if so, what acreage is included in the applications.
 - (2.) Have the applications been acceded to; and, if so, for what acreage. If grants have issued, will the Honorable the Minister lay on the Table a copy of the grant.
4. MR. PEIRCE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If he is aware that the rank and file of the Police Force consider that the regulations which debar sergeants from promotion after the age of fifty-five years should apply to sub-inspectors and inspectors.
 - (2.) Has the Chief Secretary any objection to lay on the Table of this House a copy of all regulations regarding promotion in the Police Force.
5. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, taking into account the fact that survey is optional to licensees of Crown lands under section 67, and that many desire to dispense with survey, he will consider the question of abolishing or reducing to a nominal sum the present plan fee of £3 being charged to selectors under the 67th section, whether they have their blocks surveyed or not.
6. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will utilize the diamond-drills, now standing idle, in exploring the plains of the Campaspe, Colac, Werribee, and the Hopkins River, for coal.
7. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what is the cause of the delay in allowing the various selectors of land on the Buckrabanyule reserve taking possession of their several selections.

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Government Business.

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 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
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 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
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- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
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25. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

26. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PETITION ON BEHALF OF JOHN SMITH—To be taken into consideration.

Private Bill Business.

1. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Bill to confer additional powers upon the Mercantile Finance Trustees and Agency Company of Australia Limited, be now read a third time.
 2. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, that the following new clause be added to the Bill :—
A. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to exempt the company from any general Act relating to companies upon whom any powers similar to those conferred by this Act have been granted, which may be passed in this or in any future session of Parliament.
 3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That the Select Committee on the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Bill consist of Mr. Groom, Mr. Munro, Dr. Quick, Mr. C. Smith, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
 4. MR. MADDEN : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Equity Trustees Executors and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
 5. MR. TUCKER : To move, That the Bill to confer powers upon the Australasian Natives Trustees Executors and Agency Company Limited, be now read a third time.
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WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

*General Business.***NOTICE OF MOTION :—**

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
- (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
- (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 19th September.

SANDHURST AND NORTHERN DISTRICT TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Thursday, 20th September.

AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION FUND BILL—at eleven o'clock.

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GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Whether any survey has been made of the Yarra Bend and Kew Asylum sites.
 - (2.) What area it is proposed shall be reserved from sale out of the total area of 800 acres.
 - (3.) If no survey has as yet been made, will he give instructions for the work to be commenced at once; and
 - (4.) Will the Minister refrain from offering any of the land for sale until after he has supplied to Honorable Members copies of the proposed plan of sub-division, showing the allotments to be sold, as well as the intended public and river frontage reserves.
2. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Have Crown grants been applied for by the holders of land under *The Waterworks Construction and Encouragement Act 1886*; and, if so, what acreage is included in the applications.
 - (2.) Have the applications been acceded to; and, if so, for what acreage. If grants have issued, will the Honorable the Minister lay on the Table a copy of the grant.
3. MR. BOURCHIER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, taking into account the fact that survey is optional to licensees of Crown lands under section 67, and that many desire to dispense with survey, he will consider the question of abolishing or reducing to a nominal sum the present plan fee of £3 being charged to selectors under the 67th section, whether they have their blocks surveyed or not.
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6. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) If he has received a copy of resolutions passed at a conference of representatives from the Miners, Engine-drivers, Mining Managers, and Mine Owners Associations, held at Sandhurst, on the 15th August, with reference to the code of signals for use in mines, requesting the Minister to bring the code of signals formulated and forwarded to him twelve months ago into use throughout the colony, or else to adopt it for the Sandhurst district.
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7. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will send an officer to report on the covering of land in the Huntly district by sludge from the Bendigo mines, by which the land is rendered useless, with a view of ascertaining the best remedy for the evil, and the cost of carrying it into operation.

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- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
10. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
11. MR. HARPER: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence with the Colonial Office connected with the withholding of Her Majesty's assent to the Marine Board Bill.
12. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
13. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
14. MR. LEVIEN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
15. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
16. MR. BROWN: To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
17. MR. MADDEN: To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
18. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
19. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
20. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
21. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
22. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
23. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
24. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
25. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.

26. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
27. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
28. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin ; such Committee to consist of the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MERCANTILE FINANCE, TRUSTEES, AND AGENCY COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA BILL—Third reading.
2. EQUITY TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
3. AUSTRALASIAN NATIVES TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That the Select Committee on the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Bill consist of Mr. Groom, Mr. Munro, Dr. Quick, Mr. C. Smith, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.
2. MR. OFFICER : To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, that have not been complied with be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to amend “The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884,” and for other purposes.
3. MR. OFFICER : To move, *contingent on the foregoing being carried*, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend “The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884,” and for other purposes.
4. MR. OFFICER : To move, That all fees that may be incurred by the promoters of the Bill to amend “The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884,” and for other purposes, on its passage through this House, be remitted.

THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what steps are being taken by the Railway Department towards getting a supply of new rolling-stock, and if anything is being done with a view of letting the construction of rolling-stock out in small contracts at a scheduled price.

TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if his attention has been called to the resolution passed by the Commissioners of the Shire of Wimmera Water Trust on the 4th instant, to the following effect:—“That the Trust request the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to take the earliest opportunity of bringing in a Bill to amend *The Water Conservation and Irrigation Act 1886*, in order to remove the disabilities under which the lessees of the Crown at present labour. The said disabilities spoken of are that there are 460 freeholders as against 1,800 ratepayers, and that 270 of the freeholders’ names only appear on the petition asking that the proposed West Wimmera Irrigation Trust be formed”—and to ask when he will bring in an amended Bill in order to remove this disability under which said 1,800 ratepayers now suffer.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o’clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, *upon the third reading of the Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Bill*, that the following new clause be added to the Bill :—
A. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to exempt the company from any general Act relating to companies upon whom any powers similar to those conferred by this Act have been granted, which may be passed in this or in any future session of Parliament.

*General Business.***NOTICE OF MOTION:**

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move; That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
- (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:

- I. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

- I. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

- I. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 19th September.

SANDHURST AND NORTHERN DISTRICT TRUSTEES COMPANY BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Thursday, 20th September.

AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION FUND BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 25th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 14 SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day No. 12.

Statute of Gaols Amendment Bill.—[1] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert.
(To Members of Council only.)

Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To
Members of Council only.)

Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17]

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 31, 32, and 33.

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Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 2.

Central Board of Health.—Report of the Board from 1st June, 1887, to 31st May, 1888.

Messrs. Edwards and Corkill.—Return. C.—No. 10.

Minutes of Conference of Inspectors—Scholarships and Exhibitions.—Return. C.—No. 11.

Lunatic Asylums.—Return by Inspector, of Patients visited and Miles travelled for Half-year
ended 30th June, 1888. No. 76.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what steps are being taken by the Railway Department towards getting a supply of new rolling-stock, and if anything is being done with a view of letting the construction of rolling-stock out in small contracts at a scheduled price.
2. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Have Crown grants been applied for by the holders of land under *The Waterworks Construction and Encouragement Act* 1886; and, if so, what acreage is included in the applications.
 - (2.) Have the applications been acceded to; and, if so, for what acreage. If grants have issued, will the Honorable the Minister lay on the Table a copy of the grant.
3. MR. BOURCHIER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, taking into account the fact that survey is optional to licensees of Crown lands under section 67, and that many desire to dispense with survey, he will consider the question of abolishing or reducing to a nominal sum the present plan fee of £3 being charged to selectors under the 67th section, whether they have their blocks surveyed or not.
4. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what is the cause of the delay in allowing the various selectors of land on the Buckrabanyule reserve taking possession of their several selections.
5. MR. UREN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the long-promised additions and improvements to the Beaufort Railway Station.
6. MR. HUNT: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) What price is paid to Messrs. Robertson, Wagner, and Co. for carrying the morning mail from Alexandra to Yea.
 - (2.) The price paid same firm for carrying evening mail from Yea to Alexandra.
 - (3.) Under what circumstances the Postal Department gave same to the firm named.
7. MR. MCINTYRE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been directed to the case of J. J. Schuh, tobacconist, who was fined £9 and costs for selling two cigars on a Sunday, and who appealed against the Police Court decision to the Supreme Court, which upheld the appeal; was the Attorney-General not aware that the prosecution in the Court below was bad.
8. MR. HUNT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the siding on the North-Eastern line, between Broadford and Tallarook, will be open for traffic.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES—Resolutions to be reported.—*The question is* “That this Order of the Day be discharged”—Resumption of debate.
2. CUSTOMS DUTIES—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
4. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
5. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
6. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
7. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
11. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
13. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
16. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. PHYLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
19. MARINE BOARD ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
21. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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1. MR. BAKER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if his attention has been called to the resolution passed by the Commissioners of the Shire of Wimmera Water Trust on the 4th instant, to the following effect:—"That the Trust request the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to take the earliest opportunity of bringing in a Bill to amend *The Water Conservation and Irrigation Act* 1886, in order to remove the disabilities under which the lessees of the Crown at present labour. The said disabilities spoken of are that there are 460 freeholders as against 1,800 ratepayers, and that 270 of the freeholders' names only appear on the petition asking that the proposed West Wimmera Irrigation Trust be formed"—and to ask when he will bring in an amended Bill in order to remove this disability under which said 1,800 ratepayers now suffer.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
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6. MR. OFFICER: To move, That all fees that may be incurred by the promoters of the Bill to amend "*The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884*," and for other purposes, on its passage through this House, be remitted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SANDHURST AND NORTHERN DISTRICT TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
2. MERCANTILE FINANCE, TRUSTEES, AND AGENCY COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA BILL—Third reading.
3. EQUITY TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
4. AUSTRALASIAN NATIVES TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.

- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other ; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

2. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them ; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
3. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"
4. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
5. MR. HALL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884* ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
7. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
8. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
9. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust ; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

Upon the third reading of the Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Bill:—

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 20th September.

AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION FUND BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 25th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. BAKER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if his attention has been called to the resolution passed by the Commissioners of the Shire of Wimmera Water Trust on the 4th instant, to the following effect:—"That the Trust request the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to take the earliest opportunity of bringing in a Bill to amend *The Water Conservation and Irrigation Act* 1886, in order to remove the disabilities under which the lessees of the Crown at present labour. The said disabilities spoken of are that there are 460 freeholders as against 1,800 ratepayers, and that 270 of the freeholders' names only appear on the petition asking that the proposed West Wimmera Irrigation Trust be formed"—and to ask when he will bring in an amended Bill in order to remove this disability under which said 1,800 ratepayers now suffer.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what steps are being taken by the Railway Department towards getting a supply of new rolling-stock, and if anything is being done with a view of letting the construction of rolling-stock out in small contracts at a scheduled price.
3. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Have Crown grants been applied for by the holders of land under *The Waterworks Construction and Encouragement Act* 1886; and, if so, what acreage is included in the applications.
 - (2.) Have the applications been acceded to; and, if so, for what acreage. If grants have issued, will the Honorable the Minister lay on the Table a copy of the grant.
4. MR. BOURCHIER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, taking into account the fact that survey is optional to licensees of Crown lands under section 67, and that many desire to dispense with survey, he will consider the question of abolishing or reducing to a nominal sum the present plan fee of £3 being charged to selectors under the 67th section, whether they have their blocks surveyed or not.
5. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what is the cause of the delay in allowing the various selectors of land on the Buckrabanyule reserve taking possession of their several selections.
6. MR. UREN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the long-promised additions and improvements to the Beaufort Railway Station.
7. MR. HUNT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the siding on the North-Eastern line, between Broadford and Tallarook, will be open for traffic.
8. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will indicate the sympathy of the people of this colony with the Newcastle miners by ordering coal for the railways from the unassociated mines which are expected to start work on the miners' terms.
9. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he has considered the report of the Ventilation of Mines Board; and, if so, will he give effect to their opinions "that there is already sufficient legal machinery to enforce most of their recommendations; and that the officers representing the Mining Department at Sandhurst should, in all cases where the air is unfit or insufficient for miners to work in, report the same to the Minister of Mines, who should at once call upon the mine owners to provide proper ventilation."
10. MR. GORDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he will be able to carry out a promise he made some weeks since "that he will bring in a Bill this Session to remove from the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884 all lands selected under the 42nd section of *The Amending Land Act* 1865, and under the 49th section of *The Land Act* 1869."
11. MR. LAURENS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if, in his opinion, sections 33, 34, and 35 of the Railways Commissioners Act provide for an appeal from the Railways Commissioners' decisions in respect to any penalty of whatever kind ordered and imposed by them upon any employé of that department.
12. MR. MURRAY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he considers that the contractors are making satisfactory progress with the Warrnambool Breakwater.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS' ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.

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 5. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
 6. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 7. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
 8. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 9. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
 10. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 11. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
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 13. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 14. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
 15. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 16. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
 17. MARINE BOARD ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
 19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years, to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That the Select Committee on the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Bill consist of Mr. Groom, Mr. Munro, Dr. Quick, Mr. C. Smith, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
4. MR. OFFICER: To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, that have not been complied with be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to amend "The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884," and for other purposes.
5. MR. OFFICER: To move, contingent on the foregoing being carried, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884," and for other purposes.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SANDHURST AND NORTHERN DISTRICT TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
2. MERCANTILE FINANCE, TRUSTEES, AND AGENCY COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA BILL—Third reading.
3. EQUITY TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
4. AUSTRALASIAN NATIVES TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said

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- (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
- (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other ; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
- (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

2. MR. TUTHILL : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them ; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.

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7. MR. WOODS : To move—

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9. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—

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- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 25th September.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION FUND BILL—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 26th September.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21 SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 34 and 35.

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Hugh Thompson and others.—Petition. E.—No. 5.

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Ventilation of Mines Board.—Report. No. 82. (To Members of both Houses.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 37.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) If he is aware that notices are being sent out to officers in his department over 60 years of age calling upon them to resign their appointments on the 31st December next.
 - (2.) Will he direct that these notices be withdrawn in accordance with the undertaking given by the Premier to the House on the 2nd of June, 1886, when he said "In order that the House might have that opportunity (of expressing an opinion of an alteration of the Act) the Government would take such steps as might be necessary to retain the services of all such officers as were able to continue the performance of their duties after the 30th of June until the House had an opportunity of considering the question."
2. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether it is true that the following instructions have been issued to Land Officers, viz.:—"Land Officers are advised that land coloured green on the county plans is not for the present available for selection under section 65 of *The Land Act* 1884, and no applications under that section for land so coloured can be granted."
3. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when a school building will be provided to meet the requirements of the school children residing at Ford's Creek and the Race-course near Mansfield, in the place of the school building burned down at that locality last October.
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5. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will lay before the House the papers connected with proceedings taken against Mr. Conrad Long, Secretary of Volunteer Corps at Woodend, by Lieut.-Col. Price.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. WALKER: To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the law relating to Shipping and the establishment of a Marine Board.
2. MR. GILLIES: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities, contrary to the provisions of *The Local Government Act* 1874, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
2. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
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6. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
10. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
12. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
17. MARINE BOARD ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That the Select Committee on the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Bill consist of Mr. Groom, Mr. Munro, Dr. Quick, Mr. C. Smith, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.
4. MR. OFFICER : To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, that have not been complied with be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to amend "*The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884*," and for other purposes.
5. MR. OFFICER : To move, contingent on the foregoing being carried, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884*," and for other purposes.
6. MR. OFFICER : To move, That all fees that may be incurred by the promoters of the Bill to amend "*The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884*," and for other purposes, on its passage through this House, be remitted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SANDHURST AND NORTHERN DISTRICT TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
2. MERCANTILE FINANCE, TRUSTEES, AND AGENCY COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA BILL—Third reading.
3. EQUITY TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
4. AUSTRALASIAN NATIVES TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS, AND AGENCY COMPANY BILL—Third reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of taking into its consideration the following resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) Whereas it is deemed advisable for the trade, commerce, and general advancement of the Australian colonies that a uniform tariff should be established.
 - (2.) Whereas by reason of the contiguity of the various colonies and the similarity of interests and occupations of the people thereof, it is desired by this colony to remove all the existing discrepancies in the different tariffs, and to encourage business and commercial intercourse between the various neighbouring colonies, and to enable the colonists of each colony to trade with the colonists of the others without restriction and irrespective of boundaries as fully and as freely as though there were no boundary-lines between the various colonies. Now, therefore, it is resolved—
 - (a.) That whenever and as soon as the Government of the colonies of New South Wales, and of South Australia, and of Queensland, and of Western Australia, or of any one of them, shall by Act of their collective or individual Parliaments permit all articles of trade and commerce, of whatever nature or name, whether the product of the soil, the water of the colony of Victoria, or manufactured article, live stock of all kinds and its products, minerals and coal the products of the mines of this colony, and all other matters, to enter into the above-named colonies free of duty, then all articles manufactured in the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, or Western Australia, and all products of the soil and waters, and all minerals and coal the product of the mines of the said colonies, or any one of them; and all other articles, of every name and description (except grape vines), shall be permitted to enter into the ports and boundaries of the colony of Victoria free of duty, it being the intention of these resolutions to provide for absolute reciprocity of trade between the whole of the above-named Australian colonies, or any one of them, as to all articles, whatever name or nature, produced in the said colonies respectively, grape vines excepted, because of phylloxera being prevalent in one of them.
 - (b.) When it shall be certified to the Treasurer of this colony by the proper officials of the Governments of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia that the said Governments by Act of Parliament have authorized the admission into the ports or boundaries of the said colonies of all articles of trade and commerce produced in the colony of Victoria free of duty, the Government, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, shall make proclamation thereof, and shall likewise proclaim that all articles produced in the said colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia shall be admitted into the ports of the colony of Victoria free of duty so long as the said colonies shall admit the products of the colony of Victoria as herein provided for into her ports free of duty.
 - (c.) The Treasurer of the colony is hereby authorized, in connection with the proper officials of the colonies of New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, and Western Australia, to make rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of these resolutions, and to protect the said respective Governments against the importation of foreign goods through any one into any other; and the Treasurer of the colony of Victoria shall furnish to the Customs officers of the above-named neighbouring colonies such rules and regulations for the purpose of guiding them in the discharge of their duties in respect of the protection of each of the said Governments against improper importation of foreign goods as herein contemplated.
 - (d.) That a Bill by the Government be brought in for this purpose.

2. MR. TUTTLE : To move, That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony; and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made and produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax and the Tax on Store Cattle, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed.
3. DR. QUICK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to Protect Game.*"
4. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
5. MR. HALL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
7. MR. WOODS : To move—
 (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
8. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
9. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
10. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
11. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
12. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
13. MR. LEVIEEN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the claims of the vigneron in the Geelong district to further consideration in consequence of the replanting of their vineyards being so long prohibited; such Committee to consist of five members, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

14. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
15. MR. BROWN : To move—
 (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
16. MR. MADDEN : To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
17. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
18. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
19. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
20. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, re the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
21. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
22. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
23. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
24. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
25. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
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27. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin; such Committee to consist of
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THURSDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. OFFICER : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
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- (6.) Whether every mounted rifleman must be a member of a rifle club, and, if so, did not Mr. Malcolm's application for transfer as a mounted man cover everything that was necessary.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
3. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS—Consideration of report.
4. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL—Second reading.
8. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 26th September.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 2nd October.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 21 SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day No. 13.

Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] Amendments by the Hon. W. A. Zeal. (To Members of Council only.)

Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] Amendments by the Hon. Mr. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Parliament Buildings.—Return. C.—2.

Death of the late Emperor Frederick III.—Despatch. B.—1.

Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill.—[15] (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[37]

Ventilation of Mines Board—Report of the. (Issue completed.) No. 82.

Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill—Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly.

Penal Establishments and Gaols—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1887. No. 67.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 38.

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3. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) In what newspaper it was mentioned that the Committee of Classifiers had, in 1886, changed their policy in regard to their transfer list, entering applications in order of record, instead of in order of priority upon Classified Roll.
 - (2.) Whether, in case any teacher has been prejudiced on account of his ignorance of said change of policy, the Committee of Classifiers will take his case into favorable consideration.
4. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is aware that Tangye's pattern of engine and Wilson's donkey pump are specified in the contract called for the supply of 10 boilers and pumps.
5. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether, in view of the present unsatisfactory way in which furlough is granted to teachers, he will make known under what circumstances other than serving the statutory number of 20 years of consecutive service teachers can claim as a right their twelve months' furlough.
6. **MR. L. L. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General when a new list of additional justices of the peace will be issued, as many residents in the electorate of Mornington have to travel great distances to obtain signatures, to their considerable disadvantage.
7. **MR. TUTHILL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will give instructions to the Inspectors of Schools to allow the teacher of the school to peruse the report written by him on visiting each school, so that teachers may have an opportunity of directing the notice of the Inspector to any errors that may be apparent in the report in connection with the work of the school at the time of his visit.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. C. YOUNG** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers in connection with proceedings taken against Mr. Conrad Long, as secretary of a volunteer corps, by Lieut.-Col. Price.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARINE BOARD ACT AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)**—Second reading.
2. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
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9. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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12. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
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 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
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 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
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15. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
16. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
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18. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
19. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
20. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion ; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
21. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
22. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
23. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
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WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. INTERCOLONIAL UNIFORM TARIFF—To be further considered in Committee.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

1. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*M. H. DAVIES,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 2nd October.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

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3. MR. OFFICER : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Was Mr. H. C. Malcolm, of Hamilton, on the 22nd November, 1887, a member of the Defence Force. Was he deprived of the privileges granted to such members. Was he admitted as a member in January, 1888, without taking the oath.
 - (2.) Will the Minister lay on the Table of the House Mr. Malcolm's application for transfer from the I to the H Company Mounted Rifles, dated the 29th September, 1887.
 - (3.) Is it true that Lieut.-Colonel Price said on the 18th November, 1887, that "Malcolm belongs to nothing at this moment"; and on the 7th December, 1887, that he "did not belong to Kerang Rifle Club"; and that in January, 1888, he transferred him from the Kerang Rifle Club.
 - (4.) Will the Minister explain whether Lieut.-Colonel Price has the power to transfer a member of a rifle club when the members of the club he wishes to join have the power to reject him.
 - (5.) Is it members of rifle clubs or members of the Defence Force that are entitled to the privileges set forth in paragraph 14 of the Regulations for Rifle Clubs, approved by the Governor in Council on the 1st August, 1887. What constitutes a member of a rifle club, and what process has a man to go through to become a member.
 - (6.) Whether every mounted rifleman must be a member of a rifle club, and, if so, did not Mr. Malcolm's application for transfer as a mounted man cover everything that was necessary.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether it is true that the following instructions have been issued to Land Officers, viz.:—"Land Officers are advised that land coloured green on the county plans is not for the present available for selection under section 65 of *The Land Act* 1884, and no applications under that section for land so coloured can be granted."
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6. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if there is any intention on the part of the Government to improve the position of the operating messengers.
7. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is a fact that the labourers in the goods shed at Sandhurst are frequently worked overtime, for which they are not paid, and will he in the future direct that either the men be paid for their overtime or else employ extra assistance, so as to do away with the necessity of keeping men on longer than the regular hours.
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1. MR. UREN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if his attention has been called to the necessity of appointing additional junior officers to the inquiry room of the Lands Department, so as to facilitate business in that branch.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 2nd October.

GUARDIAN TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS COMPANY BILL—at three o'clock.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28 SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 36 and 37.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[39]

Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill.—[13] As reported 25th September, 1888. (To Members of Assembly only.) *Private.*



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 40.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR UREN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if his attention has been called to the necessity of appointing additional junior officers to the inquiry room of the Lands Department, so as to facilitate business in that branch.
2. MR VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is aware that Tangye's pattern of engine and Wilson's donkey pump are specified in the contract called for the supply of 10 boilers and pumps.
3. MR GROOM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will cause the various reports of the Vegetable Products Commission to be forwarded to all the Mechanics' Institutes and Free Libraries throughout the Colony ; also the Bulletins issued from the Forest Department.
4. MR RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will be prepared this Session to bring in a short Bill to amend the present Act relating to the issue of auctioneers' licenses, or to frame regulations that will enable auctioneers to obtain licenses in all centres of population by some local authority.
5. MR GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he is aware that County Court summonses (under the provisions of "*The County Court (Extension of Jurisdiction) Act 1887*" of last Session) are being served on defendants residing in the country districts, thus obliging them to attend in Melbourne to defend in some cases claims for a few shillings.
6. MR LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the new line of Railway between Dunolly and Inglewood will be open for traffic.
7. MR GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the approaching hot weather, arrangements have been made to convey dairy produce in properly-constructed refrigerating cars, and receiving same in Melbourne from Euroa, Avenel, Violet Town, Benalla, Glenrowan, and Wangaratta stations on the North-Eastern Railway;
8. MR JONES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether his attention has been called to the fact that warders in the gaol at Ballarat are now worked twelve hours per day, instead of nine hours per day, as is understood to be the rule of the department generally ; and to ask further whether proper steps will be taken to secure improved conditions in the respect indicated for the warders in the gaol at Ballarat.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR DOW : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the best method of eradicating and destroying the weed known as the Californian Thistle, such Committee to consist of Mr. Anderson (Creswick), Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLean, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Russell, Mr. C. Young, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading—*The question is*, “That this Bill be now read a second time,” to which the following amendment has been moved, viz.:—That all the words after the word “That” be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the following words :—“in the opinion of this House the proportion of representation at present subsisting between the metropolitan and the country districts should be maintained in the increased number of members contemplated by the present measure”—Resumption of debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
4. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
6. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
8. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
9. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
11. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.

13. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
14. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
15. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

- ORDERS OF THE DAY:**
1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
 2. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
 3. BUNINYONG AND BUNGAREE SHIRE COUNCILS—CALIFORNIA THISTLE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS—Consideration of report.
 4. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
 5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
 6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 7. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL—Second reading.
 8. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.
 9. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
 10. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
2. MR. WHEELER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1874*.
3. MR. ANDREWS: To move, That the petition of the Lockers and Weighers, recently presented to Parliament, be now taken into consideration.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passage of Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
5. MR. JONES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the number of electors claiming to vote as qualified by virtue of membership and residence in the several Club-houses in the City of Melbourne.

*Private Bill Business.***NOTICES OF MOTION:**

1. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the Bill to amend “*The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884*,” and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. COPPIN: To move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to amend an Act intituled “*An Act to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association*” be now taken into consideration.

THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER.*Questions.*

1. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether it is true that the following instructions have been issued to Land Officers, viz.:—“Land Officers are advised that land coloured green on the county plans is not for the present available for selection under section 65 of *The Land Act 1884*, and no applications under that section for land so coloured can be granted.”
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6. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether it is true that the usual half-yearly subsidies due to the following shires, namely, Korong, Gordon, Swan Hill, East Loddon, and Marong, have not been paid ; if so, at whose request were such amounts stopped or impounded.

TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION :

1. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY :

1. GUARDIAN TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS COMPANY BILL—Third reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intimate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
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3. MR. HALL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884* ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
7. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th October.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 28 SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day No. 14.

Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill.—[8] (To Members of Council only.)

Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill.—[11] To Members of Council only.)

Equity Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill.—[16] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 38 and 39.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[40]

Report from the Select Committee upon the Refreshment Rooms. D.—No. 4.

North Melbourne Lands Bill.—[29] Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Laurens. (To Members of Assembly only.)

The Resumption of Lands Act 1887—Certificate for Resumption of Land. No. 75.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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6. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether it is true that the usual half-yearly subsidies due to the following shires, namely, Korong, Gordon, Swan Hill, East Loddon, and Marong, have not been paid ; if so, at whose request were such amounts stopped or impounded.
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8. MR. FORREST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will request Mr. Wilson (Superintendent of the Government Educational Dairy now working at the Exhibition) to make a small sample of butter, and salt it with colonial salt, also salt a portion of the same churning with English salt, and export both to the London market—say about the month of November—so that we can practically test the capabilities of our colonial salt for butter preserving.
9. MR. GORDON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) When the Government intend to give effect to the decisions of the Licensing Courts as to the particular houses which are to be deprived of licenses in accordance with the determination of the electors in districts where no appeals are pending.
 - (2.) When the decision of the Full Court is likely to be given on the cases submitted to it on appeal.
 - (3.) What action the Government intend taking to perfect legislation with a view to prevent future votes of the electors and decisions of the Licensing Courts being rendered abortive.
10. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Under what section of the Public Service Act has the Governor in Council power to limit the time of retention of any public servant, such as—"The Governor in Council has been pleased to approve of your services being retained until the 31st December, 1888."
 - (2.) At the expiration of that time, is there any power in the Public Service Act for a renewal by the Governor in Council of the former order ; if so, where.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. MUNRO : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The estimated population of Toorak, bounded by Kooyong-road, Malvern-road, Williams-road, and the River Yarra.
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 - (3.) The estimated population of the Western riding of the Shire of Malvern.
 - (4.) The estimated population of the portions of the Shire of Caulfield proposed to be included in the electorate of Toorak.
 - (5.) The estimated population of the portion of the municipality of St. Kilda proposed to be included in the electorate of Toorak.
 - (6.) The estimated population of the portion of the present electorate of Geelong proposed to be excised from the said electorate.

*Government Business.***ORDERS OF THE DAY :—**

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Second reading—*The question is, "That this Bill be now read a second time," to which the following amendment has been moved, viz.:—That all the words after the word "That" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the following words :—"in the opinion of this House the proportion of representation at present subsisting between the metropolitan and the country districts should be maintained in the increased number of members contemplated by the present measure"—Resumption of debate.*
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

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1. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he is aware that County Court summonses (under the provisions of "*The County Court (Extension of Jurisdiction) Act 1887*" of last Session) are being served on defendants residing in the country districts, thus obliging them to attend in Melbourne to defend in some cases claims for a few shillings.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
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1. GUARDIAN TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
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6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.

7. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—

- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
- (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
- (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
- (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war..
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.

8. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.

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12. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.

13. MR. BROWN : To move—

- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
- (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
- (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
- (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
- (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.

14. MR. MADDEN : To move—

- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
- (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.

15. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.

16. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Richmond to demise for terms of years certain lands vested in them, and for other purposes.
17. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
18. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
19. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
20. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
21. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
22. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
23. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
24. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
25. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
26. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
27. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passage of Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. INTERCOLONIAL UNIFORM TARIFF—To be further considered in Committee.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL—Second reading.
8. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
9. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ANDREWS: To move, That the petition of the Lockers and Weighers, recently presented to Parliament, be now taken into consideration.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

1. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th October.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 42.

TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1888.

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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of officers in the service who are temporarily employed under section 33 of *The Public Service Act* 1883.
 - (2.) The number of officers in the service who have been exempted from the provisions of the Act under section 3 ; the name of the officer, nature of his duties, and the rate of his salary to be given in each case.

Government Business.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th October.

GENERAL CODE BILL—at three o'clock.

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Order in Council constituting an Irrigation and Water Supply district, and appointing
and creating a Trust in and for the same. No. 85.

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and creating a Trust in and for the same. No. 88.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 43.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has any objection to lay before the House a copy of all the correspondence between Mr. Edwards and the Post Office Department in reference to the negotiations for purchasing Mr. Edwards' telephonic business.
2. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when a State-school teacher will be sent to the school known as Toorour, near Benalla, to which the school furniture was sent about three months since.
3. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has any objection to lay on the Table of this House the reports of Sir James Hector on the various coal-fields, as they are given to his department.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply in what manner he intends to deal with any claims that may be made for compensation for land required by the Government for water conservation purposes south of the site of the proposed weir across the Loddon River, at Laanecoorie.
5. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what prompted the Railway Department to arrange that the north end of the Kilmore to Heathcote Railway should first be constructed, involving haulage of permanent-way material 130 miles, instead of commencing at the southern end, when the permanent-way material would require to be carried only 43 miles.
6. MR. COOPER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he is aware of the unsatisfactory state of the teaching staff at the South Clunes State School, and at the North Creswick School, and whether he will take steps to complete the staffs.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has any objection to lay before the House a report from the Government Statist explaining the system he has adopted in compiling the statistics of population issued in connection with the Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee
4. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
7. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
8. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
12. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
13. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
14. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilecunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. MR. OFFICER : To move, That the Select Committee on the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act Amendment Bill consist of Mr. Anderson (Villiers and Heytesbury), Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Patterson, Mr. C. Smith, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee ; four to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GUARDIAN TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS COMPANY BILL—Third reading.
2. AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION FUND BILL—Third reading.

General Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That, having in view the undoubted intention of Parliament in passing the Public Service Act, this House instructs the Government to forthwith intitiate to Colonel Templeton that he must either give up his private practice or resign his position as chairman and member of the Public Service Board.
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4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS: To move—
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6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
7. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
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Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] New clauses to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

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Marine Board Act Amendment Bill.—[50] (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 44.

THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways the probable date of the opening of the direct line to Adelaide, that is to say, by way of Bacchus Marsh.
2. MR. FEILD : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) The amount which has been expended during the past two years in deepening and snagging the River Yarra above Prince's Bridge.
 - (2.) To what depth the Yarra has been snagged and dredged, also to what distance above Prince's Bridge.
 - (3.) When he expects to have the river sufficiently deepened to permit boats carrying cargo to go up as far as Johnston-street, Collingwood.
3. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when a teacher will be sent to take charge of the Lake Yando school.
4. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when the increment which is provided for the mail officers of the Postal Department promoted to fill the positions of fourth-class officers will be paid.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all contractors who have within the last two years overrun their contract time, the length of overtime, the amount due for forfeit, the amount paid by the contractor to the departments, stating separately each of the departments.

Government Business.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 16th October.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY INCORPORATION BILL—at eleven o'clock.
LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

Saturday, 20th October.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Bungaree Shire Hall—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12 OCTOBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 15.
Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 43 and 44.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[45]
Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict. cap. 55, during the year 1887-8. No. 65.
Education Act 1872.—Regulations. Order in Council. No. 78.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 46.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply whether the following words in the Chaffey Brothers' agreement, "if the Governor think fit the actual expenses incurred by the licensees in securing settlement upon the said portion of land may be included within the term 'irrigation works and substantial and permanent improvements,'" are capable of being construed so that the cost of bringing out immigrants from Great Britain to Mildura will be a charge against the Government in case of resumption, or will be taken into account in estimating the expenditure of the Chaffey Brothers under the conditions which entitle them to certain grants of land, and by this means indirectly foisting a system of assisted immigration on the colony.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the present condition of the traffic over the Falls Bridge, and to ask what is being done to cope with it.
3. MR. COOPER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether teachers of country schools who are members of Rifle Clubs will be permitted to attend the forthcoming V.R.A. matches, as in previous years.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a paragraph in the *Herald* of last Saturday relating to the Harbor Trust employés as affecting the Naval Brigade.
5. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the attention of the Commissioners of Railways has been called to the letter headed "More North Suburban Railway Curiosities," in the *Age*, of Thursday, the 11th instant, which states that persons travelling by the Coburg line, either from Melbourne, North Melbourne, Flemington Bridge, or Royal Park stations, to Collingwood, are delayed *en route* for an hour at the Clifton Hill station. If so, will he inform the House whether arrangements can or will be made, by which such serious and most inconvenient delays may be averted in future.
6. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if his attention has been called to the case of an employé engaged in his department, and to ask if such employé has a certificate of service as an engine-driver within the requirements of *The Factories and Shops Amendment Act 1887*.
7. MR. MUNRO : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if his attention has been called to an advertisement in the *Gazette* of the 12th October, 1888, calling for tenders for cloths, flannels, serge, and tweeds of English manufacture, for the service of 1888-9, 1889-90, and 1890-91, signed by himself as Treasurer, such advertisement being evidently intended to exclude all colonial manufacturers from competing.
8. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he is aware that much inconvenience has been caused through the non-appointment of a needed operating messenger at the Dunolly Post and Telegraph Office; if so, will he make the requisite appointment without more delay.
9. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when it is intended to proceed with the erection of more platforms at the Sandhurst Railway Station.
10. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if his attention has been directed to the annoyance and injustice caused at some new alluvial mining rushes by certain persons pegging out large areas for leasing purposes; if so, what action does he intend taking with a view to prevent any unfair monopoly in such cases.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
 - (1.) Showing the names of all Public Servants who have received permission (since the passing of the present Public Service Act) from the Governor in Council to engage in private work, and also the nature of such work; also,
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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

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18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
20. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
21. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INTERCOLONIAL UNIFORM TARIFF—To be further considered in Committee.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY ROLLING-STOCK—MOTION FOR.—*The question is*—That seeing the demand for rolling-stock is far beyond what the Railway Department can supply, and that it is necessary that additional stock for the conveyance of live stock, timber, and goods be at once obtained; this House now instructs the Commissioners of Railways to prepare a schedule price at which these can be made by contractors in the colony, and at once order such stock as shall meet present demands—Resumption of debate.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. POLICE FORCE FRANCHISE BILL—Second reading.
8. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
9. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the Select Committee on the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway Bill consist of Mr. D. M. Davies, Mr. Langridge, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee; four to be the quorum.

THURSDAY, 18TH OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. FERGUSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs what action he intends to take regarding the license fee paid by manufacturers of tobacco in this colony.

TUESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what his intentions are with regard to the Forest Conservation Bill so long promised; if he intends to introduce it this Session, and, if so, when.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RICHMOND CITY LANDS BILL—Second reading.
2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDREWS: To move, That the petition of the Lockers and Weighers, recently presented to Parliament, be now taken into consideration.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
3. MR. HALL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
7. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
8. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
9. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
10. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
11. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
12. MR. BROWN: To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.

13. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
14. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
15. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
16. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
17. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
18. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
19. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
20. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
21. MR. LANGDON: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
 and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
22. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
23. MR. J. HARRIS: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
24. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
25. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
26. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TURHILL: To move, as an amendment *on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.
On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:
 1. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tiagowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Saturday, 20th October.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Bungaree Shire Hall—at eleven o'clock.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day No. 16.
Australasian Natives Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited Bill.—[8] Variations in Bill. (To Members of Council only.)
Distress for Rent Bill.—[10] New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. W. A. Zeal. (To Members of Council only.)
Sandhurst and Northern District Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Limited Bill.—[11] Variations in Bill. (To Members of Council only.)
Ballarat Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company Bill.—[15] New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)
Instruments and Securities Statute Amendment Bill.—[33] (To Members of Council only.)
Deposit of Silt in Port Phillip Bay Prevention Bill.—[64]

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 44† and 45.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[46]

Victorian Water Supply—Second Annual General Report by the Secretary for Mines and Water Supply. No. 83.

Gaols Statute Amendment Bill.—[1] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Arsenal and Small Arms Factory.—Return. C.—No. 18.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 47.

THURSDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. FERGUSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs what action he intends to take regarding the license fee paid by manufacturers of tobacco in this colony.
2. MR. VALE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take advantage of the presence of Sir James Hector to procure from him a report as to the advisability of exploring the valleys of the Campaspe and Hopkins, also the plains of Colac and the Werribee, for coal.

Government Business:

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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8. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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22. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence in connection with the application for payment for special work done by Mr. D. W. Ramsay in the Defence Department at the time of the re-organization of the Defence Forces.
2. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The income earned on the Echuca to Sandhurst line, and on the Kerang to Sandhurst line.
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4. MR. BOSISTO : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill dealing with the Chinese question, based upon the decisions arrived at during the late Conference held in Sydney.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the recommendation made by the Parliament Buildings Commission of the 19th April, 1888, that the salary of the Architect of the Houses of Parliament be raised to one thousand guineas per annum, and also a recommendation of the 29th June, 1888, that in lieu of increasing the salary of the Architect of the Houses of Parliament, a substantial sum be placed on the Estimates as a gratuity to Mr. P. Kerr in recognition of his eminent services.
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WEDNESDAY, 24TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18 OCTOBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 16.

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Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Fund Bill.—[13] (To Members of Council only.)

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Mercantile Finance, Trustees, and Agency Company of Australia Limited Bill.—[24] Amendments to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. G. Young. (To Members of Council only.)

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Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] (To Members of Council only.)

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Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act Amendment Bill.—[40] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 48.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what his intentions are with regard to the Forest Conservation Bill so long promised ; if he intends to introduce it this Session, and, if so, when.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a paragraph in the *Herald* of last Saturday relating to the Harbor Trust employés as affecting the Naval Brigade.
3. MR. MUNRO : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if his attention has been called to an advertisement in the *Government Gazette* of 12th October, 1888, calling for tenders for cloths, flannels, serge, and tweeds of English manufacture, for the service of 1888-9, 1889-90, and 1890-91, signed by himself as Treasurer, such advertisement being evidently intended to exclude all colonial manufacturers from competing.
4. MR. BOSISTO : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill dealing with the Chinese question, based upon the decisions arrived at during the late Conference held in Sydney.
5. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs what action he intends to take regarding the license fee paid by manufacturers of tobacco in this colony.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the recommendation made by the Parliament Buildings Commission of the 19th April, 1888, that the salary of the Architect of the Houses of Parliament be raised to one thousand guineas per annum, and also a recommendation of the 29th June, 1888, that in lieu of increasing the salary of the Architect of the Houses of Parliament, a substantial sum be placed on the Estimates as a gratuity to Mr. P. Kerr in recognition of his eminent services.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
3. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
6. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
7. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
8. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
12. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
13. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
14. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
20. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
21. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence in connection with the application for payment for special work done by Mr. D. W. Ramsay in the Defence Department at the time of the re-organization of the Defence Forces.
 2. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The income earned on the Echuca to Sandhurst line, and on the Kerang to Sandhurst line.
 - (2.) The total cost of construction on the above lines.
 - (3.) The rate of interest earned on the above lines, with a view to a better service on the said lines.
 3. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
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 - (2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.
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WEDNESDAY, 24TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGHETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RICHMOND CITY LANDS BILL—Second reading.
2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDREWS : To move, That the petition of the Lockers and Weighers, recently presented to Parliament, be now taken into consideration.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
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4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
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7. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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Tuesday, 23rd October.

CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL—at two o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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 - (1.) Whether an Executive Councillor of Victoria, being in London, has a right *ex officio* to attend the meetings of the Board of Advice held at the Agent-General's office without special appointment.
 - (2.) Whether the Agent-General has refused any such Executive Councillor that privilege.
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 - (4.) If so, will the Premier furnish the names of such Executive Councillors.
5. **MR. LAURENS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the Commissioners of Railways are aware that up to the present time a large number of persons residing both in North and West Melbourne who desired to proceed by rail either to the annual agricultural shows or the races, at Flemington, have been compelled to proceed first to the Spencer-street station, as hitherto the trains proceeding thither have not stopped at the North Melbourne one ; if so, will the Commissioners cause some, if not all, of such trains to stop at the North Melbourne station on such occasions in future.
6. **MR. HIGHETT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a refreshment-room will be opened on the Eaglehawk and Kerang railway line.
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9. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the fact that, several months ago, Signor Forti and other artists competed for the honor of supplying the statuary necessary for the ornamentation of the exterior of Parliament House, and, if so, when will the Parliament Buildings Commission be in a position to order the statues which they have chosen.
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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. DEAKIN** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable certain lessees to vote at the election of Commissioners of Irrigation and Water Supply Trusts under *The Irrigation Act* 1886.
2. **MR. DEAKIN** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Irrigation Works and Water Supply in the country districts, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
3. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
7. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
8. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
9. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
11. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
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19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
20. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
21. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGETT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the extension from twenty-one years to ninety-nine years of the term of a lease granted to the Victoria Pier Company Limited of a site for a landing-place and jetty on the Lower Esplanade at St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to amend *The Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act 1884* and for other purposes be now taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RICHMOND CITY LANDS BILL—Second reading.
2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Second reading.

*General Business.***NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. MR. ANDREWS: To move, That the petition of the Lockers and Weighers, recently presented to Parliament, be now taken into consideration.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
3. MR. HALL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries.
5. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof, respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.

7. **MR. SHACKELL:** To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
8. **MR. SHACKELL:** To move, That in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
9. **MR. WOODS:** To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
10. **SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN:** To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
11. **MR. GRAVES:** To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
12. **MR. BROWN:** To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
13. **MR. MADDEN:** To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
14. **MR. LANGRIDGE:** To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
15. **MR. L. L. SMITH:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
16. **MR. MCCOLL:** To move, That the Petition presented from the landowners, residents, and ratepayers of Woodstock and other parishes, *re* the construction of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line, be considered on Wednesday next.
17. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
18. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move—
- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
19. **MR. L. L. SMITH:** To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

20. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1883.
21. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.
22. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
23. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin ; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.
24. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
25. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
26. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.
27. MR. ANDERSON (Creswick) : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
(1.) The number of male teachers at present in the Fourth Class.
(2.) The number of male teachers in the Fourth Class promoted under the 54th section of *The Public Service Act 1883* since 1st January, 1885.
(3.) The number of male teachers in the Fourth Class promoted under the 64th section of said Act since 1st January, 1885.
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(6.) The number of male teachers in the Fifth Class promoted under the 64th section of said Act since 1st January, 1885.
28. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence in connection with the application for payment for special work done by Mr. D. W. Ramsay in the Defence Department at the time of the re-organization of the Defence Forces.
29. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
(1.) The income earned on the Echuca to Sandhurst line, and on the Kerang to Sandhurst line.
(2.) The total cost of construction on the above lines.
(3.) The rate of interest earned on the above lines, with a view to a better service on the said lines.
30. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
(1.) Showing the names of all Public Servants who have received permission (since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*) from the Governor in Council to engage in private work, and also the nature of such work ; also,
(2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.

THURSDAY, 25TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

TUESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
(1.) When the construction of the tramway line to North Melbourne is likely to be commenced.
(2.) When is it likely to be completed.
(3.) What is the cause of delay.
(4.) Has Parliament any control whatever over the tramways, as to construction.
(5.) If so, what control, and in what way can that control be applied in the case of the North Melbourne tram construction, as the delay is adverse to the interests of North Melbourne.
2. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
(1.) How many cadets are there in the colony.
(2.) Do they find their own uniform.
(3.) What is about the cost to each cadet per annum.
(4.) Are they compelled to find their uniform under regulations from the Defence Department ; if so,
(5.) What are those regulations.
3. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
(1.) If he is aware that Chinese cabinet-makers continue their work on Sundays.
(2.) If so, has he taken any action to prevent this breach of the law and this unfair competition with the cabinet-makers of our own colony.
(3.) What action, if any, has been taken in reference to the Chinese cabinet-maker brought under his notice about a fortnight ago.

WEDNESDAY, 31ST OCTOBER.
(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
3. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
4. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—
Resumption of debate.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL: To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

1. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 24th October.

CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19 OCTOBER, 1888.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.
Defence Department Correspondence.—Return. C.—No. 5.
Trustees Bills—New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cathbert. (To Members of Council only.)
Police Franchise Bill.—[43] (To Members of Council only.)
Trustees Companies Bill.—[68]
General Code Bill—Report of the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 2. (To Members of Council only.)
Refreshment Rooms—Report of the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 3.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 47 and 48.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[49]

Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill.—[34]

University of Melbourne—Report of the Proceedings of the, for the year 1887-88; together with Statements of Accounts for the years 1886 and 1887. No. 66.

Resignation of Officers from Public Service.—Return. C.—No. 17.

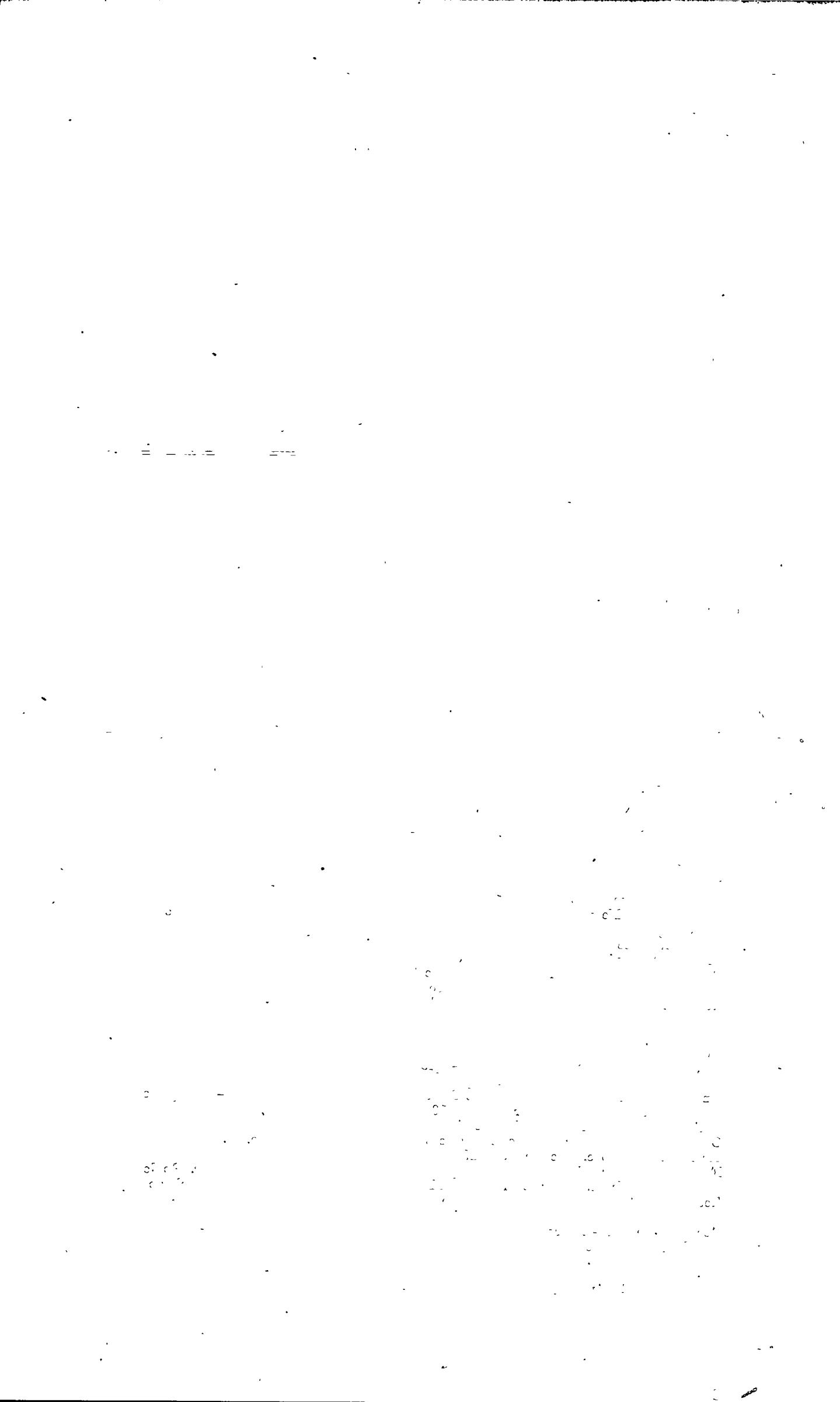
Charge against the Doorkeepers of Parliament House.—Return. C.—No. 21.

Ah Toy v. Musgrave.—Return. C.—No. 23. (Issue completed.)

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Gordon, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Bourchier, and Mr. Gaunson. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act Amendment Bill.—[40] Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with Minutes of Evidence.

General Code Bill—Report of the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 5. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 50.

THURSDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether an Executive Councillor of Victoria, being in London, has a right *ex officio* to attend the meetings of the Board of Advice held at the Agent-General's office without special appointment.
 - (2.) Whether the Agent-General has refused any such Executive Councillor that privilege.
 - (3.) Whether previously or subsequently to any such refusal the Agent-General (Sir G. Berry) has notified to any Executive Councillor temporarily residing in London, and without special appointment, the times of meeting of the Board, and permitted such Executive Councillor to be present.
 - (4.) If so, will the Premier furnish the names of such Executive Councillors.
2. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the Commissioners of Railways are aware that up to the present time a large number of persons residing both in North and West Melbourne who desired to proceed by rail either to the annual agricultural shows or the races, at Flemington, have been compelled to proceed first to the Spencer-street station, as hitherto the trains proceeding thither have not stopped at the North Melbourne one ; if so, will the Commissioners cause some, if not all, of such trains to stop at the North Melbourne station on such occasions in future.
3. MR. HIGHETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a refreshment-room will be opened on the Eaglehawk and Kerang railway line.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to the dismissal of an employé in the Harbour Trust, not for any fault in connection with such employment, but only for a breach of discipline as a member of the Victorian armed forces, and to ask whether he will inquire if employés are compelled to join such forces.
5. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what is the cause of the continued delay in opening the Dunolly to Inglewood Railway for traffic.
6. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a telegram in the *Argus* of Saturday stating that—"London, Oct. 19. The annual report of the St. Giles' Christian Mission states that during the past year 500 discharged prisoners have been assisted to emigrate to the colonies," and also to the Act to prevent the influx of criminals into Victoria, relating to persons found guilty of capital or transportable felony. And to ask that such Act be brought under the notice of the said society ; and further to ask, if such Act be insufficient to stop such immigration, that further legislation may be brought in for that purpose.
7. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will arrange at once for the farmers' excursion train from Wycheeproof and Charlton to Melbourne.
8. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If his attention has been directed to a useful book upon police matters, written by Senior-Constable Barry, of Sandhurst.
 - (2.) Will he order a sufficient number of copies of the book for distribution amongst the police force, so that junior members of the police force may the better qualify themselves for their work by a perusal of the book.
9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has obtained a report on the sanitary condition of the storm channel at Inglewood ; if so, what is its purport, and what action (if any) is it intended to take thereon.
10. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply whether he will be prepared, in view of the general desire to encourage the cultivation of new products, to make concessions as to water rights and extended tenure or title to lessees of mallee allotments in irrigable areas, similar in principle to those granted by agreement with the Chaffey Brothers, so as to induce the lessees to enter upon large expenditure in the growth of such products.
11. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he will be able to distribute the prospecting vote ; and particularly when any portion allotted to the Golden Stream Company, Avoca, will be available, that company being in great need of material assistance, on account of the heavy expenditure in pumping machinery and the general cost of working the mine. Is the Minister aware that if some aid is not afforded without much delay the stoppage of all works will be endangered, which, on account of the important prospecting character of the mine, would be a serious calamity to the shareholders and district generally.
12. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) What steps, if any, have been taken by the department to ensure the carrying out of the contract with the Eastern Extension Company for a duplicate telegraphic service between Port Darwin and Banjoewangie.
 - (2.) Whether, during the interval of the interruption, or rather suspension of the service, deductions are being made from the contract.
 - (3.) Does the department know anything of the state of the 1871 cable ; how long it has been working during the past two years, and what steps, if any, are being taken to replace the worn-out cable with a new one.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. ANDERSON (Creswick) : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of male teachers in the Fourth Class on the 30th June, 1888.
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2. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY TRUSTS ELECTION BILL (No. 2)—Third reading.
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7. MALDON AND LAANEKOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY INCORPORATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
 2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Consideration of Report.
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WEDNESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

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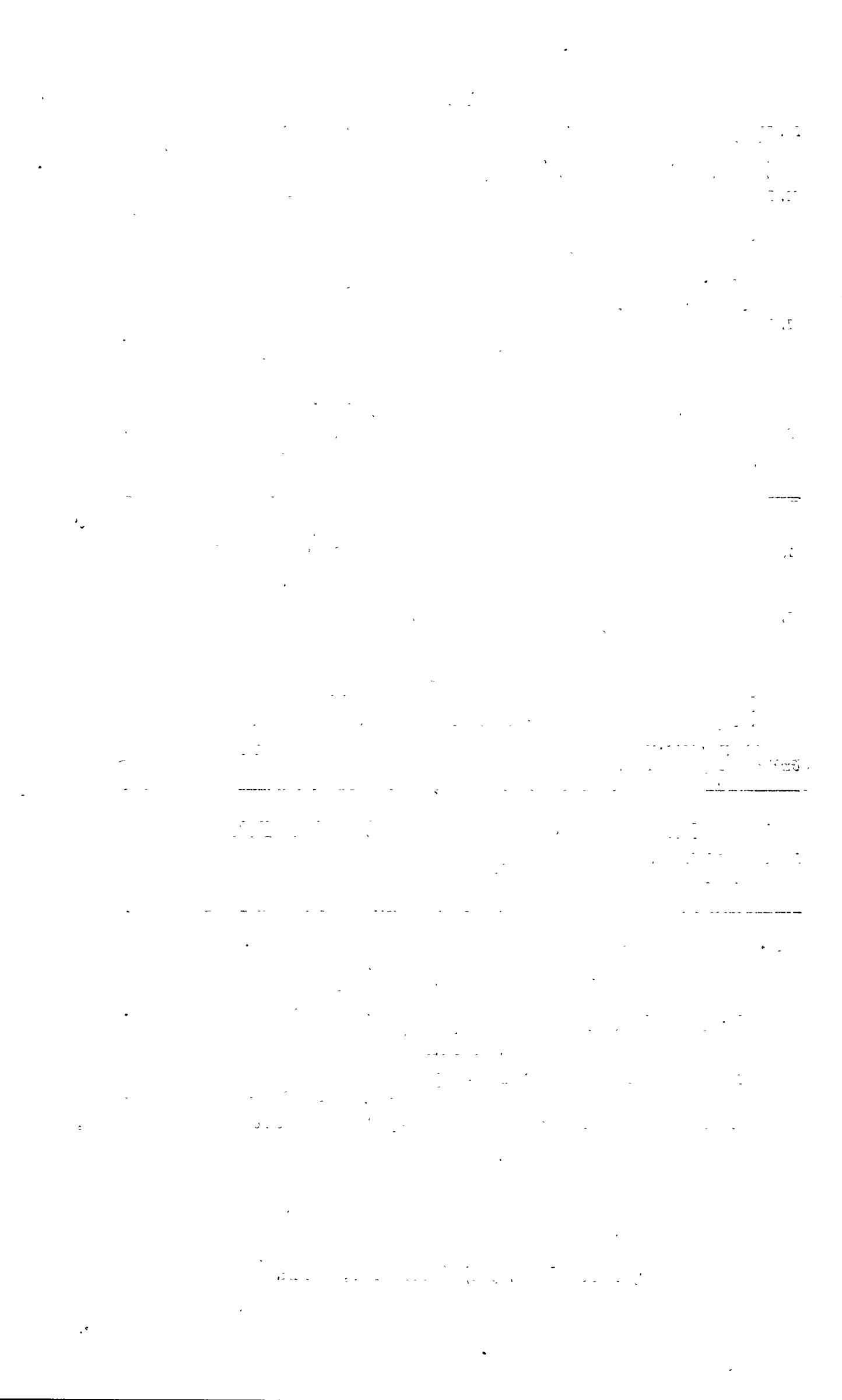
Thursday, 25th October.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25 OCTOBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 18.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.
Ah Toy v. Musgrave.—Return. C.—No. 4. (Issue completed.)
Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17] New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[50]
Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 51.

TUESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1888.

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 - (1.) When the construction of the tramway line to North Melbourne is likely to be commenced.
 - (2.) When is it likely to be completed.
 - (3.) What is the cause of delay.
 - (4.) Has Parliament any control whatever over the tramways, as to construction.
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 - (1.) How many cadets are there in the colony.
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 - (3.) What is about the cost to each cadet per annum.
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 - (5.) What are those regulations.
4. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether he is aware that there are classes of officers in the Chief Secretary's Office, General Post Office, Public Works Department, and Lands Department who at present receive a fortnight's holiday annually only.
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 - (1.) If he is aware that Chinese cabinet-makers continue their work on Sundays.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY TRUSTS ELECTION BILL (No. 2)—Third reading.
3. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
4. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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8. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
9. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
10. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
11. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

12. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
 13. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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 17. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 18. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 19. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 20. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
 21. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
 22. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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General Business.

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2. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
3. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
4. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY INCORPORATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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Saturday, 3rd November.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Daylesford Town Hall—at half-past eleven o'clock.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 19.
 General Code Bill—Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council, together with the proceedings of the Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, &c. D.—No. 2. (Issue completed.)
 Noxious Insects Bill.—[21] As reported 22nd October, 1888. (To Members of Council only.)

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 Oats and Barley.—Return. C.—No. 22.

General Code Bill—Report of the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 5. (Issue completed.)

Railway Loan Application Bill.—Message No. 13.

North Melbourne Vesting of Lands Bill.—[29] As reported 24th October, 1888. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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Water Supply Loans Bill.—[70]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 52.

WEDNESDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to the dismissal of an employé in the Harbour Trust, not for any fault in connection with such employment, but only for a breach of discipline as a member of the Victorian armed forces, and to ask whether he will inquire if employés are compelled to join such forces.
2. MR. RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he has yet made arrangements which will enable auctioneers to obtain their licenses by some local authority ; if not, will he state to the House when they will be completed.
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5. MR. LEVIEEN : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will, during the present Session, pass a short Bill which will afford security to persons engaged in wattle culture by giving them a sufficiently long tenure of their lands to justify the necessary outlay.
6. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if the special or extra fees charged to candidates for matriculation examinations in the country districts will be made at the examinations held before Christmas next ensuing.
7. MR. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what action he proposes to take to exterminate the fox pest.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier how he has arrived at the population of any given proposed Electoral District, say Melbourne.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY TRUSTS ELECTION BILL (No. 2)—Third reading.
3. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
4. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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9. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
10. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
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12. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
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22. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
23. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
24. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
25. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
3. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
4. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
8. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY INCORPORATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Consideration of Report.

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 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
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 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
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2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means :—

1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Saturday, 3rd November.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Daylesford Town Hall—at half-past eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26 OCTOBER, 1888.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.
 Noxious Insects Bill.—[21] New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. James Bell. (To Members of Council only.)
 Richmond City Lands Bill.—[52] (To Members of Council only.)
 Trustees Companies Bill.—[68] As reported 30th October, 1888. (To Members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[52]
 Electoral Districts Alteration Bill 1888.—[55] Amendments by Mr. Murphy, and Amendments by Mr. Rees. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 5.
 Defence Department—Statement of Expenditure. No. 68.
 Victorian Naval Forces—Revised Regulations. No. 96.
 Board of Inquiry on Lancefield Railway Accident.—Return. C.—No. 19.
 Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway Bill.—[32] Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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25. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—
Resumption of debate.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Saturday, 3rd November.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Daylesford Town Hall—at half-past eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1ST NOVEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 20.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 21.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[53]
Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill.—Message No. 16. B.—No. 16.
Electoral Law Further Amendment Bill.—[55] (Issue completed.)
Trustees Companies Bill.—[68] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway Bill.—[32] Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will, during the present Session, bring in a short Bill which will afford security to persons engaged in wattle culture by giving them a sufficiently long tenure of their lands to justify the necessary outlay.
2. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will state who were the tenderers and the amounts of the respective tenders in connection with the supply of firewood at Ararat, and who was the successful tenderer.
3. MR. A. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he is aware of the long-continued delay in paying the annual increments in the various branches of the Railway Department, due on the first of July last.
4. MR. COOPER: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when he proposes to deal with the Reports re the charges made against the Doorkeepers of this House.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND ACT NO. 812, AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
2. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
5. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
7. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
8. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
9. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Consideration of report.
11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
14. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
15. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
16. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
21. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
23. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
24. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
25. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY INCORPORATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. NORTH MELBOURNE LANDS BILL—Consideration of Report.

(270 copies)—4555.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence during the last two years between the Attorney-General's and Minister of Justice's Departments and the Public Service Board as to the legality or otherwise of the actions of said Board.
2. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
3. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
5. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
6. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
7. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
8. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
9. MR. BROWN: To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
10. MR. MADDEN: To move—
 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
11. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
12. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.

13. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
14. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
 (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
15. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
16. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
17. MR. LANGDON: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of
 and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
18. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
19. MR. J. HARRIS: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
20. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
21. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
22. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.
23. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence in connection with the application for payment for special work done by Mr. D. W. Ramsay in the Defence Department at the time of the re-organization of the Defence Forces.
24. MR. BROWN: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The income earned on the Echuca to Sandhurst line, and on the Kerang to Sandhurst line.
 (2.) The total cost of construction on the above lines.
 (3.) The rate of interest earned on the above lines, with a view to a better service on the said lines.
25. MR. J. HARRIS: To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
 (1.) Showing the names of all Public Servants who have received permission (since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*) from the Governor in Council to engage in private work, and also the nature of such work; also,
 (2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
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 9. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
 10. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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Government Business.

THURSDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

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1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Saturday, 3rd November.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—to meet at Daylesford Town Hall—at half-past eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 13th November.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND NOVEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 21.
 Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17] As reported 31st October, 1888. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[54]
 Savings Banks—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1888. No. 7.
 Rules of the Supreme Court—Regulae Generales. No. 84.
 Shepparton Urban Waterworks Trust—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,500. No. 94.
 Kyneton Shire Waterworks Trust—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,500. No. 95.
 The Fisheries Act Amendment Act 1878—Close Season for Crayfish. No. 97.
 Fisheries Acts—Notice of Proclamation for Regulating the Weight of Fish. No. 98.
 Mr. Conrad Long and Lieut.-Col. Price.—Return. C.—No. 24.
 Residence Areas Act 1881 Amendment Bill.—[46] New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Wrixon. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 55.

THURSDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will, during the present Session, bring in a short Bill which will afford security to persons engaged in wattle culture by giving them a sufficiently long tenure of their lands to justify the necessary outlay.
2. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will state who were the tenderers and the amounts of the respective tenders in connection with the supply of firewood at Ararat, and who was the successful tenderer.
3. MR. FEILD: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return, showing the population of the Electoral Districts of Sandhurst, Castlemaine, Maldon, and Mandurang under re-arrangement for increase of one member.
4. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction how many vacancies for pupil teachers or otherwise are there at present at the State school at Sandhurst, No. 877, of which Mr. Burston is the head teacher; how long have such vacancies existed; when will the necessary appointments be made; and what has been the cause of the delay.
5. MR. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether there have been any additional returns called for by the Commissioners of Audit or by the Treasurer since the frauds that demanded attention a few years since, and for which certain persons are now serving terms of punishment; and, in the event of a reply in the affirmative, to ask what added precautions have been used in the department now supposed to have been defrauded.
6. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what arrangements have been made, or are contemplated, for the appointment of a resident police magistrate, warden, and coroner in Sandhurst.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Consideration of report.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
4. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
8. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
9. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
10. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
14. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. PHYLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
18. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
19. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
21. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
23. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. QUICK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the conduct of inquests concerning fatal mining accidents.

TUESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

Questions,

1. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will endeavour to make some arrangements with the Exhibition Commissioners to allow the children from the country State schools to visit the Centennial International Exhibition before its close, at such rates that will not exceed 2s. per child for return journey and admission to the Exhibition.
 2. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is true that the Railways Commissioners have at any time undertaken to repair locomotives belonging to contractors, and that such a locomotive is now in the workshops at the Sandhurst station in course of repairs by the department, to the prejudice of, and in competition with, proprietors of Sandhurst foundries, who are able to perform such repairs.
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WEDNESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
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10. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL—Third reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will state who were the tenderers and the amounts of the respective tenders in connection with the supply of firewood at Ararat, and who was the successful tenderer.
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8. MR. ANDREWS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) Will the Government allow proceedings to be taken so that the opinion of the Supreme Court may be ascertained as to reaper and binder twine being dutiable under the Customs Act as cordage ; also as to
 - (2.) Whether the abolition of the duty is legal except by direction of Parliament.
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 - (4.) If such a state of things exists, will he take immediate steps to remedy same.
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 - (1.) How many employés in the Railway Department are compelled to wear uniform.
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 - (5.) How many employés, if any, are supplied by the Government.
 - (6.) Are any granted money in lieu of uniform; if so, how many.
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12. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply what action did the Public Service Board take in reference to the appointment of an accountant after the embezzlements that took place at Geelong and Sandhurst in the Water Supply Department.

13. MR. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 (1.) What is the total sum, including interest, that has been paid to the Railway Construction Account under the provisions of section 78, part 5, of *The Land Act* 1884.
 (2.) What amount of interest has been received under section 71 ; and
 (3.) What is the amount of the unpaid balances accruing from Crown land sales up to the present date.
14. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he intends to proceed with the Bill on the Notice Paper relating to intestate estates.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. DR. ROSE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The Officers classified under Act 160 who passed the examination prescribed by that Act.
 (2.) The bonuses and gratuities, in addition to the increments to their salaries, which have been given to Officers in the Mining and Water Supply Department, at Melbourne, since the commencement of the Public Service Act.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to sales by auction.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—Further consideration of report.
 2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
 3. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
 4. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 5. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
 6. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
 7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
 8. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
 9. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
 10. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
 12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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 15. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 16. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 17. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
 18. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
 19. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 20. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
 21. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 22. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
 23. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether the attention of the Commissioners has been directed to a leading article in the *Bendigo Advertiser* of 6th November, in which it is stated that it is the practice to allow drivers of locomotives to make double and treble trips of great length in one day, by which their strength is overtaxed, and their capacity for the discharge of their duties is consequently reduced ; and pointing out that there are sources of danger enough on all railways without wilfully adding to them by placing tired-out men in charge of trains, whether they be conveying passengers or goods ; and, if so, is it true that such a practice exists, and is it considered compatible with the safety of the railway and travelling public.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act* 1884 ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.

3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
10. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MINING ACCIDENTS INQUESTS BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

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1. CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL—Third reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER.

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2. DR. ROSE : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

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3. MR. MURPHY : To move, That the following words in the Second Schedule be omitted, viz:—" 6. The Electoral District of Ballarat East. Commencing on the Yarrowee River where it is intersected by the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; thence easterly by that railway to a point opposite the end of Thompson-street ; northerly to and by Thompson-street to Reid-street ; north-westerly by Reid-street to the Yarrowee River ; up that river to the northern boundary of the town of Ballarat East (being a line east from the north-west angle of allotment 28 of section 60, parish of Ballarat) ; easterly by that line (Gregory-street) to a point distant two miles forty chains from the said angle of allotment 28 ; south by the eastern boundary of Ballarat East town (being a line south from the last-mentioned point to a point distant two miles forty chains) ; thence west three-miles ten chains twenty links to the Yarrowee River (being the south boundary of the town of Ballarat East) ; northerly by the Yarrowee River to the commencing point—One."

With a view to insert in place thereof—" 6. The Electoral District of Ballarat East. Commencing at the source of Giles' Creek in the Main Dividing Range ; thence by that creek to the Yarrowee River ; down river to the northern boundary of the parish of Buninyong ; thence by that boundary to the western boundary of the town reserve of Buninyong East ; thence by the western, northern, and eastern boundary of that town reserve to the road to Ballan ; thence by that road to the Western Moorabool River ; thence by that river to its source in the Main Dividing Range ; and thence by that range westerly to the commencing point—Two."

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 13th November.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 14th November.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 56.

Electoral Law Further Amendment Bill.—[55] Divisions of Districts. (To Members of Assembly only.).

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 57.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether the attention of the Commissioners has been directed to a leading article in the *Bendigo Advertiser* of 6th November, in which it is stated that it is the practice to allow drivers of locomotives to make double and treble trips of great length in one day, by which their strength is overtaxed, and their capacity for the discharge of their duties is consequently reduced ; and pointing out that there are sources of danger enough on all railways without wilfully adding to them by placing tired-out men in charge of trains, whether they be conveying passengers or goods ; and, if so, is it true that such a practice exists, and is it considered compatible with the safety of the railway and travelling public.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will state who were the tenderers and the amounts of the respective tenders in connection with the supply of firewood at Ararat, and who was the successful tenderer.
3. MR. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will make arrangements to secure the future services of men in the Militia whose term is expiring by giving them a retaining fee of £3 or £5 per annum to join a permanent reserve which may be called out for duty should the necessity arise.
4. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the late Commandant and the Officer commanding the Artillery strongly recommended that, in view of the increase in the Victorian Artillery and the necessity for qualifying Victorian Officers for promotion to the higher ranks, an officer of the Victorian Artillery should be sent to England periodically to undergo a course of training.
 - (2.) If it be so, will the Honorable the Minister of Defence take into consideration the desirability of sending home a Colonial Officer, with the view of giving effect to the recommendation referred to.
5. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the concessions made to State school children visiting the Exhibition, by the Exhibition and Railways Commissioners, will be extended to children attending other primary schools in the country.
6. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will give instructions for a copy of the Reports on the case of Daniel Ross, engine-driver, to be forwarded to the Engine-drivers' Association at Eaglehawk.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. ANDREWS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) How many State schools at the present time are closed for want of teachers.
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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to sales by auction.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
2. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.
4. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
7. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
8. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
9. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
10. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
11. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
12. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
13. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
14. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
16. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. PHYLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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19. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
21. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.
3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. TAXATION READJUSTMENT.—*The question is*—That whereas the burthen of taxation is unequally distributed between the City of Melbourne and the country districts of the colony, and whereas our policy of protection is one-sided, and the duties levied under it are almost entirely imposed in the interests of the manufacturing industries in and around Melbourne, and such policy is not of any assistance to the farming or mining communities, but on the contrary, is a handicap to them; and whereas the capital wealth of Melbourne and suburbs contributes nothing to the general revenue of the colony, this House is of opinion that the incidences of taxation should be readjusted and equalized by the abolition of the duty upon all articles not made or produced in the colony, and which now press upon the farming and mining communities, and by the abolition of the Land Tax, and that in lieu and substitution therefor an all round real and property tax be imposed—Resumption of debate.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
10. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MINING ACCIDENTS INQUESTS BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ANDREWS: To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing how many monitors and mistresses, taken from the scholars of the fifth and sixth classes, are employed in order to do the work of 1st class pupil teachers who have been sent by the department to act elsewhere as assistant teachers.

Private Bill Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY :—**

1. CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL—Third reading.

TUESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER.**Government Business.****NOTICE OF MOTION:—**

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER.**General Business.**

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.

- (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
- (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
- (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
5. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
7. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
8. MR. BROWN: To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
9. MR. MADDEN: To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
10. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
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12. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
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 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
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17. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.

18. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin ; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.
19. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
20. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
21. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.
22. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence in connection with the application for payment for special work done by Mr. D. W. Ramsay in the Defence Department at the time of the re-organisation of the Defence Forces.
23. MR. BROWN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The income earned on the Echuca to Sandhurst line, and on the Kerang to Sandhurst line.
 (2.) The total cost of construction on the above lines.
 (3.) The rate of interest earned on the above lines, with a view to a better service on the said lines.
24. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
 (1.) Showing the names of all Public Servants who have received permission (since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*) from the Governor in Council to engage in private work, and also the nature of such work ; also,
 (2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means :—

1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 14th November.
CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 9TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.
 Public Officers Employment Bill.—[47] (To Members of Council only.)
 Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Act Amendment Bill.—[40] (To Members of Council only.)
 Irrigation and Water Supply Trusts Election Bill.—[69] (To Members of Council only.)
 North Melbourne Vesting of Lands Bill.—[29] (To Members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 57.
 Resumption of Lands for Public Purposes—Drainage of the Elwood Swamp. No. 79.
 Shire of Seymour Waterworks Trust—Application for Additional Loan. No. 100.
 Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] New Clause by Mr. Gillies. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Regulation of Mines and Mining Machinery Bill.—[72]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 58.

THURSDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will state who were the tenderers and the amounts of the respective tenders in connection with the supply of firewood at Ararat, and who was the successful tenderer.
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4. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is true that while members of the Mounted Rifle Corps have to pay the railway freight for the transit of their horses to compete at the rifle matches now being held, and provide fodder, &c., for the same while in town, that the Police Department, with the consent of the Government, are providing and keeping horses free of charge for the use of a contingent corps coming from a neighbouring colony to compete in the same matches ; and, if so, will the Honorable the Minister of Defence recoup the members of the corps the actual amount paid by them for railway freights.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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Government Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherford district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 20th November.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.

Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of the whole Council. No. 1.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 55.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 58.

Auction Sales Statute Amendment Bill.—[65]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 59.

TUESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he has any objection to produce a balance-sheet showing the receipts and working expenses of the Yan Yean Water Supply for the last three years, including the interest paid upon the unredeemed cost of construction during the same period.
2. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what steps he has taken with regard to enforcing payment by the contractor for the Thomson Bridge, Walhalla and Toongabbie road, Mr. Mephan Ferguson, to the carters and men who supplied the timber for the said contract.
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4. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will permit officers of the Mounted Rifles to send official telegrams without prepayment, seeing that officers of all other branches of the Military service are allowed to do so.
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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. GILLIES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the further restriction of Chinese Immigration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.
3. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
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11. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.

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13. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 14. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
 15. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Have the scheduled terminal points been adhered to in all lines constructed under the Railway Construction Act No. 821.
 - (2.) If they have not been adhered to, will the Minister specify where they have been altered and the extent of and reasons for the alterations.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
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 (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
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 (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 20th November.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 24.

Mining Accidents Inquests Bill.—[72] (To Members of Council only.)

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 59.

Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 60,

WEDNESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1888.

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6. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General when the long-promised index to the Statutes will be issued.
7. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether a certificated assistant is bound to be in school before the time fixed for duty by the time-table, and
 - (2.) Whether such a teacher, whose methods are approved by inspectors, is absolutely required to alter his methods to meet the private views of the head teacher.
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General Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means:—

1. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to a petition presented to the House on the 18th September, signed by Hugh Thompson and others, farmers, at Dry Lake, complaining of the manner in which the Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust has interfered with and obstructed a channel or drain from the Loddon River to the Dry Lake, constructed by the petitioners, at their own expense, in the year 1883, prior to the creation of the said Trust; and also complaining of the refusal of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to excise their farms and private irrigation works from the area and jurisdiction of the said Trust, and praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into their grievances, of which they have been hitherto unable to obtain redress.
2. MR. GRAVES : To call the attention of the Government to the recent articles in the *Age* newspaper regarding the maladministration of *The Public Service Act 1883* by the Public Service Board, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to cause inquiry to be made as to the correctness or otherwise of these allegations concerning the integrity and efficiency of the Public Service Board.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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 - (1.) Whether his attention has been called to certain natural means which may be used for the diminution and extermination of rabbits which would appear to be vastly superior to any of the means heretofore employed in this colony ; and,
 - (2.) Whether he will nominate a commission to inquire into the value of the proposed improvement.
5. **MR. GROOM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education if he will make arrangements with the Minister of Railways so as to enable pupil teachers attending examinations to travel by rail at the same rates as the teachers who attend science classes.
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2. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845—MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL**—Second reading.
4. **BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. **BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL**—Second reading.
6. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
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10. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
14. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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16. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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19. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
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3. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
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 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
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1. **MR. TUTHILL:** To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.
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Upon the consideration of the Report or on third reading of the Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move—

Clause 3, page 2, lines 4 and 5, omit the words “commencement of this Act” and substitute the words “first day of May One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.”

Line 7, omit the words “commencement of this Act” and substitute the words “first day of May One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.”

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Lines 14 and 15, omit the words “commencement of this Act” and substitute the words “first day of May One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.”

Clause 6, at the end of the clause add, “Provided that if any electoral registrar or deputy electoral registrar is in receipt of any pension superannuation or retiring allowance from the Crown, such pension superannuation or retiring allowance shall not merge in or be affected by the salary paid to such electoral registrar or deputy as such; nor shall any of the provisions of ‘*The Public Service Act 1883*’ apply to any such electoral registrar or deputy.”

Clause 9, page 4, line 25, after “division” insert “Where are the premises on which you reside; and whether are you the occupying tenant or a lodger or person employed on such premises?”

At the end of the clause add, “Before any person answers any of such questions the registrar may warn him of the punishment he will incur if he wilfully and knowingly makes a false answer thereto. All the provisions of the Principal Act for the time being in force which before the passing of this Act applied to the questions prescribed in section twenty-four of the Principal Act shall apply to the questions by this section prescribed.”

Clause 13, lines 30 and 31, omit “a Melbourne daily newspaper,” and substitute “some newspaper generally circulating in the division.”

Clause 15, line 28, omit “a Melbourne daily newspaper,” and substitute “some newspaper generally circulating in the division.”

Clause 17, line 15, omit “statutory,” and substitute “solemn.”

Clause 18, line 21, omit “between the first and twelfth days of September,” and substitute “before the twenty-third day of October.”

At the end of the clause add “Provided that for the purposes of this Act the citizen and burgess rolls of the city of Melbourne and town of Geelong revised in such current month of October shall be deemed to be the rolls then in force in such city and town respectively.”

Clause 19, line 37, omit “twentieth day of September” and substitute “twenty-ninth day of October.”

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Clause 28, page 12, line 1, after “time” insert “the same shall be paid.”

Clause 29, line 16, after “person” insert “or by some person on his behalf.”

Clause 54, line 15, omit “Third” and substitute “Fourth.”

Clause 58, line 20, omit “Fourth” and substitute “Fifth.”

Third Schedule, omit “Third” and substitute “Fourth.”

Fourth Schedule, line 1, omit “Fourth” and substitute “Fifth”; line 20, after the words “is only good until the” insert “first,” and after “day of” insert “December.”

Part II., page 22, line 20, after the words “is only good until the” insert “first,” and after “day of” insert “December.”

New clause in place of clause 2—

A. With the exception of sections seven to thirty-eight both inclusive and section fifty-eight, which sections shall come into operation on the first day of May in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, this Act shall come into operation on the passing hereof: Provided that save as to the repeal of section thirty-two and Schedule C to *The Constitution Act* and section eight of “*The Electoral Act Amendment Act 1876*,” the repeals specified in the First Schedule hereto shall not take effect until the said first day of May.

New clause to follow clause 9—

B. The words “One shilling” in sections twenty-three and twenty-six of the Principal Act are hereby repealed and the words “Six-pence” substituted therefor.

New clause to follow clause 39—

C. If at any election of a member of the Legislative Assembly any person whose name appears upon the roll of ratepaying electors or upon an ordinary electoral roll for the district with the word “dead” written upon a copy thereof under the provisions of the last preceding section opposite such name tender his vote, the returning officer or deputy shall require such person tendering his vote before he receives a ballot-paper to make a solemn declaration that he is the person in whose name he claims to vote in the manner and form following (that is to say):—

I [A.B.] do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am the person [A.B.] whose name appears upon the roll now in force for the electoral district of , with the word “dead” written upon a copy thereof opposite such name, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

If any person wilfully make a false declaration in manner aforesaid or personate any deceased elector for the purpose of voting at any election he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Before any person makes any such declaration the returning officer or deputy may warn him that if he makes a false declaration he will be guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to be both fined and imprisoned.

New clause to follow clause 49—

D. The Returning Officer may by writing under his hand appoint a deputy or deputies to act for him in place of himself and in place of any deputy taking the polling under the provisions of section ninety-three of the Principal Act, and such first-mentioned deputy or deputies shall take the poll at the principal and at any other polling place within the district during the temporary absence of himself or any such deputy appointed under the provisions of the Principal Act as the case may be.

Deputy Returning
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be appointed to
temporarily re-
lieve others.

New clause in place of clause 52—

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THIRD SCHEDULE.

Metropolitan Electorates.

Melbourne	Carlton
Melbourne East	South Carlton
Melbourne West	

Suburban Electorates.

Albert Park	Melbourne North
East Bourke Boroughs	Melbourne South
Collingwood	Port Melbourne
Eastern Suburbs	Prahran
Emerald Hill	Richmond
Essendon and Flemington	South Yarra
Fitzroy	St. Kilda
Footscray	Toorak and Armadale
Hawthorn	Williamstown
Jolimont and West Richmond	

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No. 62.

TUESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) How many warders and other employés in penal establishments are compelled to wear uniform.
 - (2.) What is the cost of each kind of uniform.
 - (3.) Are the uniforms found by—
 - (a) The Government.
 - (b) The employés ; if by the latter,
 - (4.) How many are so found.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Have the scheduled terminal points been adhered to in all lines constructed under the Railway Construction Act No. 821.
 - (2.) If they have not been adhered to, will the Minister specify where they have been altered and the extent of and reasons for the alterations.
 - (3.) If any alterations have been made, by whose authority were they effected.
3. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 - (1.) How many employés in the Post and Telegraph Department are compelled to wear uniform.
 - (2.) What is the cost of each kind of uniform.
 - (3.) Are these uniforms found by—
 - (a) The Government.
 - (b) The employés ; if by the latter,
 - (4.) How many are found by the employés.
4. MR. HIGHETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he will take steps to have bores put down in the northern portions of Victoria, with the view of ascertaining if artesian water can be obtained.
5. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) How many police are compelled to wear uniform.
 - (2.) What is the cost of each kind of uniform.
 - (3.) Are the uniforms found by—
 - (a) The Government.
 - (b) The police ; if by the latter,
 - (4.) How many are so found.
 - (5.) If the uniform of the police is destroyed while discharging their duties, is it paid for by the police or by the Government.
6. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will give instructions—
 - (1.) That in cases where complaints have been made against mining engine-drivers, and an inquiry is held by the Board of Examiners, three members of the Board shall act.
 - (2.) That a copy of the complaint and report thereon shall be forwarded to the person charged, and forty-eight hours' notice of the inquiry be given.
 - (3.) That he be allowed counsel at the inquiry, if he so desire.
7. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what action, if any, in the interests of the patients, does the Government intend to take in reference to the salaries of Medical Superintendents of Lunatic Asylums, in order to encourage efficient men to remain in the service and make a study of mental diseases.
8. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, considering the overcrowded condition of the Lunatic Asylums of the colony, whether the Government will take immediate steps to remedy this great evil by erecting buildings to afford adequate accommodation for the unfortunate inmates.
9. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) How many hours are devoted yearly to drill and other services of the State by Cadets.
 - (2.) Are not Cadets likely to be of great future service to the colony.
 - (3.) What do they receive from the State in any form for their services.
 - (4.) Considering the great importance of every boy in the colony being encouraged to become a Cadet, and the services rendered by them, will the Government provide them with uniforms, as at present the parents are taxed in their efforts to benefit the State.
10. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if, provided the inhabitants at Tumblup (about twenty-five miles from Benalla) erect a suitable building for a State school there, will he send a teacher, or make some arrangement so that children in this locality shall be educated.

11. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier what action the Government has taken, or intends to take, in reference to the payment of the claimants of the Carlton Orderly Rooms.
12. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what steps, if any, have been taken by the Government to carry out the recommendation of the Parliament Buildings Commission in reference to Mr. Kerr, architect of the Parliament House.
13. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government intend to introduce a Bill this session dealing with the early closing of shops.
14. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the Railways Commissioners expect to have the long-promised "sidings" at North Melbourne ready for use.
15. MR. PEIRCE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If it is true that there is a detective placed on duty in the Exhibition from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. every night.
 - (2.) For what purpose is he there.
 - (3.) How many police, firemen, and watchmen are in the Exhibition building during those hours.
 - (4.) How many police are guarding the building from outside, and how are they placed.
 - (5.) What and who are the other persons in the Exhibition during the above-named hours.
 - (6.) How long does it take each policeman to go round his beat; and is it possible that, considering the number of policemen in the building, and the short space of time it occupies in going round each beat, that any extensive robbery could be committed.
 - (7.) Cannot the firemen, watchmen, and any others in the building at night be kept under observation by the police without the aid of a detective.
 - (8.) Is it not a fact that a detective is more urgently required during the day-time, when some thousands of people are in the building, than during the night-time.
16. MR. MURPHY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the promised survey between the Gordons and Daylesford lines will be made.
17. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, in view of the very dry and combustible nature of the country, whether it would not be advisable to abolish the use of wood as fuel for the railway engines during the present summer season.
18. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to the plan proposed by Mr. J. G. Knight to exhibit the minerals of Australasia in a subterranean court at the Paris Exhibition, and, if so, whether he will take steps to bring the subject under the notice of the Governments of the other colonies.
19. MR. BENT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) When the duplication of the railway line from Caulfield to Mordialloc will be finished.
 - (2.) When the Railways Commissioners will increase the number of trains on the line.
 - (3.) When will decent carriages be placed upon the line.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :

1. MR. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The total amount of cost of construction of the Yan Yean water-supply works to 30th June, 1888, exclusive of interest.
 - (2.) The mode in which the moneys to pay for same have been raised.
 - (3.) If any portion of such moneys were obtained otherwise than by loan, state the amount and the source from which they were derived.
 - (4.) The total amount of interest paid on moneys raised by loans or otherwise.
 - (5.) The amount of interest charged to the cost of the works.
 - (6.) The total amount of revenue received.
 - (7.) The cost of maintenance and management.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That this House will now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to the licensing of Public-houses and the sale of fermented and spirituous liquors.
3. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That this House will now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to Public Health.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

1. STATE SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
2. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMNT BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 845 — MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—Resolution to be reported.
4. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
5. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Second reading.
7. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
8. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

9. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
 10. LAND ACT NO. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS NOS. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
 11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
 12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 13. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
 14. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 15. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 16. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 17. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
 18. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
 19. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 20. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
 21. AUCTION SALES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 22. LUNACY STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 23. CHINESE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION BILL—Second reading.
 24. STATE SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act* 1884; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
 2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.
 3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
 5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
 6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 8. MALDON AND LAANECOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.

- (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
- (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
5. MR. WOODS: To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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7. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act* 1883, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
8. MR. BROWN: To move—
- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
9. MR. MADDEN: To move—
- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
10. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
11. MR. L. L. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
12. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
- (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
13. MR. GAUNSON: To move—
- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
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19. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. MR. REID : To ask the Honorable the Premier will the Government bring in, this Session, that portion of the Public Service Bill relating to the officers of the House.
3. MR. COOPER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he expects to send the diamond drill to Creswick, as recommended by the Ballarat Prospecting Board.
4. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) The cause of the delay in returning to Mr. Conrad Long the papers produced by him in the proceedings taken against him by the Defence Department.
 - (2.) When the documents will be returned.
5. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has, as promised on the 17th October last, consulted the Railways Commissioners as to the best mode of preventing the delay at Clifton Hill to which passengers from North Melbourne, Flemington Bridge, and Royal Park stations to Collingwood have been subjected; if so, what has been the practical result of such consultation.
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7. MR. LANGRIDGE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the tender for £30,000 worth of wrought-iron pipes was accepted without competition at a price—£3 8s. per ton—over the last contract for similar pipes, and if the tenders accepted in January, 1887, and November, 1887, have been completed, and the pipes delivered in contract time.
8. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply whether he is aware that the returning officer appointed to conduct the election of commissioners for the Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust is demanding a deposit of £20 with the nomination papers of candidates for that position; if so, will he take steps to reduce such deposit to the amount heretofore made under similar circumstances.
9. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he has yet arranged a scheme for a labour bureau, and will he, at his earliest convenience this Session, lay it before the House.
10. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If Lieut.-Col. Price has been placed in command of the Infantry Rifle Volunteer Regiment, and, if so, at what date.
 - (2.) Does he receive any remuneration for this particular service.
 - (3.) Has he applied for any consideration, either pay or promotion, in this respect.
 - (4.) And if the Government propose any definite course in connection with Lieut.-Col. Price and this body of Infantry Rifle Volunteers.
11. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he has placed himself in communication with the Honorable Sir Henry Parkes to urge upon him the desirability of immediately taking steps to eradicate the phylloxera from that colony, and thus exterminate it from the Australian colonies, and, if he has not, will he do so forthwith.
12. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he would have any objection to inform the House the cause of the delay in the appointment of an official visitor to the lunacy wards of the Bendigo Hospital.
13. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether any shire councils have applied for a supply of wire-netting on behalf of any of their ratepayers, particularly from those settled on the fringe of the Mallee country; if so, what action does the Government propose to take in such cases.
14. MR. ANDERSON (Villiers and Heytesbury) : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Is it a fact the Engineer of Existing Lines and the General Traffic Manager took a special train from Prince's Bridge Station on Sunday, the 18th instant, for the purpose of inspecting the Caulfield to Mordialloc line.
 - (2.) Was it absolutely necessary such inspection should take place on Sunday.
 - (3.) Was it done with the knowledge and consent of the Minister and Railways Commissioners.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the suppression of the nuisance arising from the Port Melbourne Lagoon, and for other purposes.
2. MR. DOW : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to revest certain lands at Gembrook in Her Majesty the Queen, and for other purposes.
3. MR. DOW : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the better management of the cultivation of wattle trees.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR.—Consideration of report.
2. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR.—Consideration of report.
3. LAND ACT No. 812 AND RAILWAY LOANS ACTS Nos. 717 AND 845—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
4. STATUTE OF GAOLS 1864 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. LUNACY STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
7. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
8. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. BANKING COMPANIES REGISTRATION BILL—Third reading.
10. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
11. MARINE STORES BILL—Consideration of report.
12. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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25. LICENSING ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
26. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

To take precedence of Government Business after half-past seven o'clock:—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That this House supports the position taken up by the other colonies in reference to consultation with their respective Ministries prior to the appointment of any Governor to any such colony, and dissents from the position taken up by the existing Ministry in Victoria on the same question.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act 1884*; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.
3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. MALDON AND LAANEKOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
9. WM. MCBURNIE—PETITION OF—To be taken into consideration.

THURSDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.**NOTICE OF MOTION:—**

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.

2. **SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN** : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
4. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
6. **SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN** : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
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8. **MR. BROWN** : To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
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 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
10. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.
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(2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.
23. MR. ANDREWS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing how many monitors and monitresses, taken from the scholars of the fifth and sixth classes, are employed in order to do the work of 1st class pupil teachers who have been sent by the department to act elsewhere as assistant teachers.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on *Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca*—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means :—

1. MR. GRAVES : To call the attention of the Government to the recent articles in the *Age* newspaper regarding the maladministration of *The Public Service Act 1883* by the Public Service Board, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to cause inquiry to be made as to the correctness or otherwise of these allegations concerning the integrity and efficiency of the Public Service Board.
2. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 8th November from certain residents and landowners in the parishes of Boort, Leaghur, Meering, Meran, Dartagook, and Kerang, in the counties of Tatchera and Gunbower, praying that the House would cause full inquiries to be made into their complaint, and that if the grievance be found to be well-grounded provision be made whereby the petitioners may be supplied with the amount of the waters of the Loddon River to which they are justly entitled, be now taken into consideration.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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THURSDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will place a sum of money on the Supplementary Estimates for the purpose of prospecting the Western District for coal.
2. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what will be the position of the holder of an electoral right for Mandurang or Avoca at the general election, in view of the fact that both the districts named will be abolished.
3. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he will publish for general information a record of various strata passed through in boring for water in the northern districts.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

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8. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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22. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL—Second reading.
23. WATTLE TREES CULTIVATION BILL—Second reading.
24. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

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General Business.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 4th December.

PRINTING—at quarter to four o'clock.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 27.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.

Noxious Insects Bill.—Petition. E.—No. 1.

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments by the Hon. G. Le Fevre, the Hon. D. Melville, the Hon. J. H. Connor, and the Hon. D. Ham. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 63.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 64.

The Irrigation Act 1886 :—

Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—Appointed and created. No. 104.

Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—Scheme or plan of works. No. 105.

Werribee Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—Constituted. No. 106.

Werribee Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—Scheme and plan of works. No. 107.

Railways Act No. 845—Estimate of Expenditure. (To Members of both Houses.)

State School Teachers Bill.—[76]

Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Education Endowment Commissioners Bill—Message. B.—No. 21.

William McBurnie—Petition. E.—No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 65.

TUESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the line for the Crib Point Railway and the Mornington Railway will be opened for traffic, and what is the cause of the delay in the progress of the Great Southern line.
2. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether, in view of the great demand for additional rolling-stock, he will consult the Railways Commissioners as to the advisability of giving small country manufacturers an opportunity of making freight wagons for the railways at a schedule price, such not to exceed the price now paid to large contractors.
3. MR. MCINTYRE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he is aware that it is reported by those acquainted with the fact that the flood waters of the Loddon River, above its junction with the Deep Creek, are said to contain one-twelfth of silt; will he cause proper inquiry to be made, and, if necessary, direct steps to be taken to guard against the silting-up of the weir about to be constructed at Laanecoorie.
4. MR. HIGHETT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will appoint a commission of experts to report on the phylloxera in New South Wales, and to ascertain, if possible, the portions of the colony in which it exists.
5. MR. MCCOILL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) What is the estimated cost per mile, and total cost of the scheduled route of the Maldon and Laanecoorie line to terminal point, section 6A.
 - (2.) What is the estimated cost per mile, and total cost of the western route, terminating at Goodrich's Corner.
 - (3.) What length of line will be required by the western route to reach Cousins.
 - (4.) What length will be required to reach Cousins by the eastern route.
 - (5.) What length will be required by the east route to reach allotment 6A, or Robb's Corner.
6. MR. WHEELER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he will be in a position to authorize a trial survey of a line from Daylesford to junction with the Castlemaine and Maryborough Railway.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded:

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LUNACY STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
3. CHINESE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION BILL—Second reading.
4. STATE SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL—Second reading.
5. LICENSING ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY TRUSTS ELECTION BILL (No. 2)—Amendments of the Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
8. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
9. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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25. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That whereas the Government have in contemplation the subsidizing an English firm of manufacturers who propose establishing a small arms factory within the colony of Victoria, to wit, at Footscray, this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That such a factory should not under any circumstances be established near the seaboard, nor within reach of the guns of any hostile power who may succeed in entering the Bay.
 - (2.) That the Borough of Footscray is one of the most populous suburbs of Melbourne, the inhabitants of which would, in case of a foreign foe entering the Bay, suffer great loss of both life and property from shot and shell of the enemy in their endeavours to blow up the ammunition factory and arsenal if established in that locality.
 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
4. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
5. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
6. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
7. MR. GRAVES : To move, That a Select Committee, of seven members, be appointed by ballot for the purpose of obtaining further information as to the working of *The Public Service Act 1883*, except in regard to such portion of it as was dealt with by the Joint Select Committee on the officers of Parliament.
8. MR. BROWN : To move—
 - (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
9. MR. MADDEN : To move—
 - (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
10. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That the Petition of the Public Service Association, presented to this House on the 26th July, 1888, be now taken into consideration.

11. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That no measure of Electoral Reform will be satisfactory to this House that fails to provide—
 - (1.) For the abolition of plural voting.
 - (2.) For extending the hours for the taking of the poll.
13. MR. GAUNSON : To move—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Government ought not to apply, or persevere, with the application, if made, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Miss Stark until Honorable Members have before them a copy of Dr. Madden's opinion; and
 - (2.) Of the proceedings for mandamus, together with the arguments and judgment of the Supreme Court.
14. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
15. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing all contracts entered into and liabilities incurred on account of the Centennial Exhibition up to 10th June, 1888.
16. MR. LANGDON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the allotment or distribution of the waters of the Loddon River north of Bridgewater, such Committee to consist of and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
17. MR. VALE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of tonnage received by the Railways at special or other rates from beyond the boundary of Victoria. The amount received thereon, and the amount the said tonnage would have paid had the ordinary rates in Victoria been charged.
18. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the dismissal from the Public Service of late Water-rate Collector John Anglin; such Committee to consist of , and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
19. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
20. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
21. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of John Paton for land in the district of Dalhousie.
22. MR. J. HARRIS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return—
 - (1.) Showing the names of all Public Servants who have received permission (since the passing of *The Public Service Act 1883*) from the Governor in Council to engage in private work, and also the nature of such work; also,
 - (2.) The names of those Public Servants who have been refused permission to engage in private employment, and the nature of employment sought.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—At Woodend.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 28.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.

Marine Stores Bill.—[9] (To Members of Council only.)

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments by the Hon. F. Ormond, the Hon. D. Coutts, the Hon. J. H. Connor, and the Hon. D. C. Sterry. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 64.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 65.

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1888, to 30th June, 1888. No. 101.

Gembrook Lands Revesting Bill.—[2]

Wattle Trees Cultivation Bill.—[77]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 66.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether it is true that Lieut. Umphelby has made an application to the Minister of Defence to be permitted to visit England at his own cost for the purpose of enabling him to obtain such information and technical military knowledge as may be of use to him in the discharge of his duties in this colony.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to take steps to forward a certain number of militia officers to England for the purpose of enabling them to qualify themselves in the higher branches of military science, in order to render them capable of holding in the future the positions now held by Imperial officers in this colony.
2. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when it is proposed to call for tenders for the erection of the new Law Courts at Sandhurst.
3. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply what steps, if any, are being taken to bring about a speedy and amicable settlement between New South Wales, South Australia, and this colony with regard to the disposition of the Murray River waters for irrigation purposes.
4. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply—
 - (1.) If he is aware that the water main laid in Golden Gully is too small for the demands made upon it, and that mining operations are interfered with upon that account.
 - (2.) If such is a fact, will he give instructions to lay down a larger main.
5. MR. COOPER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he will be able to have a flying survey of the line from Allendale *via* Smeaton to Guildford.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether a licence has been issued for land on the foreshore at Sorrento to the proprietor of a building there whilst others have been denied it and removed from the shore, and whether the present licensee is selling stores and refreshments to the detriment of storekeepers who pay a heavy rent; and, if so, will he stop such competition.
7. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the erection of the high-level foot crossing over the railway at Numurkah Station.
8. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) What regulation exists regarding the issue of published State papers.
 - (2.) Whether it is a fact that Mr. Service, when Premier, enacted a regulation restricting heads of departments from presenting reports, &c., at their discretion without first having obtained a "Minister's Order," and if it is true that the Premier continues to enforce this rule.
 - (3.) What steps have been taken by the Government to furnish the Foreign Commissioners at the Exhibition with specimens, maps, papers, &c., relative to the resources of Victoria.
9. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he has been applied to by the Council of the Borough of Inglewood for a grant of money towards urgent repairs required to the eastern storm-channel originally excavated by the Government for the conveyance of flood waters through the Borough; if so, in what manner does he intend to deal with such application.
10. MR. L. L. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey when the land set apart for that purpose in the Blackwood Reserve will be open for selection.

Government Business. (Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the appointment, promotion, and control of Officers and others in the service of the Parliament of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. STATE SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LUNACY STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CHINESE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION BILL—Second reading.
5. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUANCE BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
6. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
7. LICENSING ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. MERCHANTISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

12. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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25. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Private Bill Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUCKER : To move, That this House agree with the following amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Australasian Natives Trustees Executors and Agency Company Bill. Clause 13, line 11, omit "five" and insert "two," and after "pounds" insert "ten shillings." After clause 27 insert new clauses A. B. and C.—
 - A. It shall be lawful for the said company to enter into any arrangement with any other company or companies upon all or any of which the same powers and privileges have been conferred by any law now or hereafter in force to sell and transfer its undertaking and business carried on by virtue of this Act to such company or companies, or to purchase and take over from any such company or companies as aforesaid the similar undertaking and business or undertakings and businesses of such company or companies, or generally to unite and amalgamate its undertaking and business aforesaid with the similar undertaking and business or undertakings and businesses of any such company or companies.
 - B. The purposes or any of them authorized in the last preceding section shall be effected and carried out under and by means of the provisions of Part IV. of "*The Companies Statute 1864*," which for all or any of such purposes shall apply in the same manner and to the same extent as such provisions are applicable to the case of any company incorporated thereunder proposed to be or in the course of being wound up altogether voluntarily and the whole or a portion of whose business or property is proposed to be transferred or sold to another company.
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2. DR. QUICK : To move, That this House agree with the following amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Guardian Trustees and Executors Company Bill. After clause 26 insert new clauses A. B and C.—
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 - (3.) That the proposal to establish such a factory is one of a purely federal character, and, as such, should be established on what might be deemed federal territory.
 - (4.) That the border town of Echuca, situated on the Murray River, which river separates the colony of New South Wales from that of Victoria and runs through the centre of South Australia, may be fairly considered federal territory.
 - (5.) That the town of Echuca affords great facilities for the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory," inasmuch as it is, by rail, within six hours of Melbourne, nineteen hours of Sydney, twenty-one hours of Adelaide, and forty-eight hours of Brisbane, and, by rail and sea, within thirty hours of Tasmania, in addition to which it is a perfectly safe place for the manufacture of ammunition in time of war.
 - (6.) That, under all the circumstances, this House considers that the Government would be fully justified in subsidizing the establishment of a "Small Arms Factory" at Echuca in preference to that of Footscray.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, full power should be given to the Railways Commissioners to order railway rolling-stock outside of the colony, or to have same constructed within the railway workshops when it is discovered that the Victorian manufacturers are unable to manufacture railway carriages with sufficient speed to keep pace with the construction of new lines of railway.
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- (1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
 - (2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act* 1874, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
 - (3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
 - (4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
 - (5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
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- (1.) That (on the same principle on which the State railways are invariably constructed) all works proclaimed National works under the Irrigation Act be constructed by the State without guarantee for interest on the cost of construction from the landowners of the district to be served. The interest on cost of the works to be met by the sales of water.
 - (2.) That it be an instruction to the Government to take such action as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution.
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(5.) The number of promotions made after competition, and the names of persons who have thus obtained promotion.
(6.) What announcements were made in the public press, or otherwise, as to positions to be competed for ; and,
(7.) Whether the Railways Commissioners have decided which are the higher and which are the lower grades of the Railway service.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT LAND SELECTIONS.—*The question is*—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cause of refusals by the Mining Department of the recommendations of the Local Land Boards in the Rutherglen district for land selected under the 65th and 67th sections of *The Land Act* 1884; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bourchier, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Graham, Mr. Russell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum—Resumption of debate.
2. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.
3. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. RAILWAY LANDS RATING BILL—Second reading.
5. HOTEL PROPERTY RENTS BILL—Second reading.
6. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT 1881 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. MALDON AND LAANEKOORIE RAILWAY—Petitions to be taken into consideration.
9. Wm. McBURNIE—PETITION OF—To be taken into consideration.

THURSDAY, 6TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, the amount claimed by Mr. E. H. Hargreaves, the Australian gold discoverer, being the balance which he maintains is due to him by the Victorian Government out of a vote of £5,000 passed to him by this House.

TUESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will make the minimum quantity of wheat carried on the railway lines one ton instead of two.
2. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will give effect to the recommendations of the Commission's Report on tobacco duties.

*Government Business.***NOTICE OF MOTION:**—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. TUTHILL : To move, as an amendment on Mr. Shackell's motion for establishing the Small Arms Factory at Echuca—That Wodonga, being the border town on the main line between the important cities of Melbourne and Sydney, is the most suitable place for this factory.

On going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means :—

1. MR. GRAVES : To call the attention of the Government to the recent articles in the *Age* newspaper regarding the maladministration of *The Public Service Act 1883* by the Public Service Board, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to cause inquiry to be made as to the correctness or otherwise of these allegations concerning the integrity and efficiency of the Public Service Board.
2. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 8th November from certain residents and landowners in the parishes of Boort, Leaghur, Meering, Meran, Dartagook, and Kerang, in the counties of Tatchera and Gunbower, praying that the House would cause full inquiries to be made into their complaint, and that if the grievance be found to be well-grounded provision be made whereby the petitioners may be supplied with the amount of the waters of the Loddon River to which they are justly entitled, be now taken into consideration.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.*Friday, 14th December.*

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—At Woodend.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 30TH NOVEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 29.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 30.

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Connor. (To Members of Council only.)

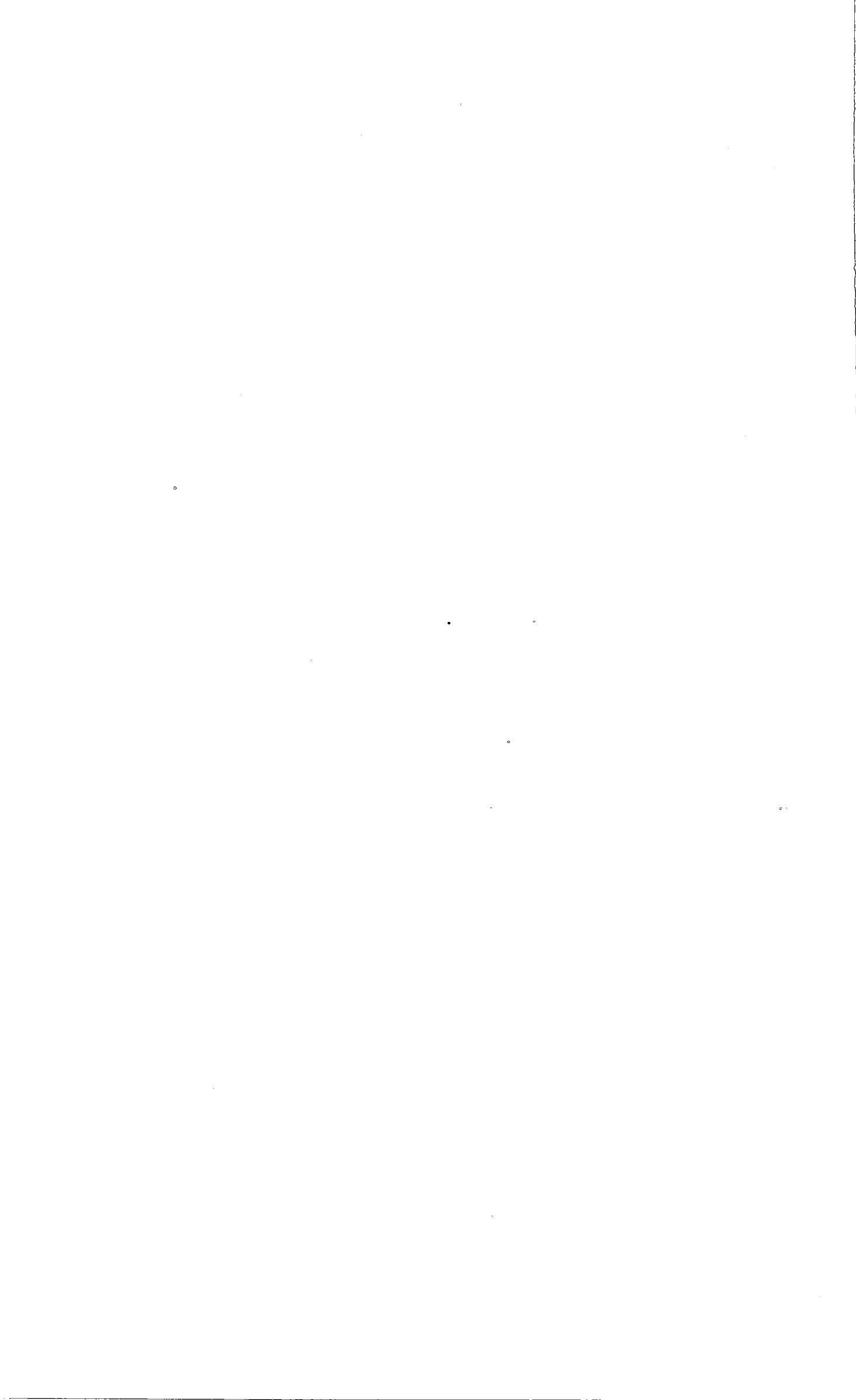
Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 65.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 66.

Discipline Acts Amendment Bill.—[3]

Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1889. B.—No. 22.

Licensing Act Amendment Bill.—[58] New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Munro. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 67.

THURSDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, the amount claimed by Mr. E. H. Hargreaves, the Australian gold discoverer, being the balance which he maintains is due to him by the Victorian Government out of a sum of £5,000 voted to him by this House.
2. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he will be good enough to make such arrangements with the Loddon United Water Trust as will provide for payment of all contracts which have been completed and passed by the Trust.
3. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if, in view of the intense suffering now prevailing through the scarcity of water in the north-west part of Moira, he will cause a line of bores to be put down between the Murray and Goulburn rivers, on the same system as the department has adopted in the Wimmera, to test the existence or otherwise of artesian water.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General whether he will, without delay, take the necessary steps to have the mail service between the towns of Dunolly and Inglewood so revised that it may be at least equal to the service previous to the opening of the new line of railway between these towns.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUANCE BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
2. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
3. OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CHINESE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION BILL—Second reading.
6. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. LICENSING ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
11. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
13. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
16. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
17. AUCTION SALES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
19. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL—Second reading.
20. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—Second reading.
21. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL—Second reading.
22. WATTLE TREES CULTIVATION BILL—Second reading.
23. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

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1. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will make the minimum quantity of wheat carried on the railway lines one ton instead of two.
2. MR. PATTERSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if the Government, taking into consideration the objections to the establishment of a Central School of Mines, will abandon the project, and devote the proposed expenditure to improve the local schools already established.
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Government Business.

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1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. WM. MCBURNIE—PETITION OF—To be taken into consideration.
4. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
 - (2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act* 1884, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

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M. H. DAVIES,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 14th December.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—At Woodend.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 6TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 30.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31.

Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] As reported 5th December, 1888. (To Members of Council only.)

Members of Council Bill.—[75] Clauses proposed by the Hon. J. Balfour. (To Members of Council only.)

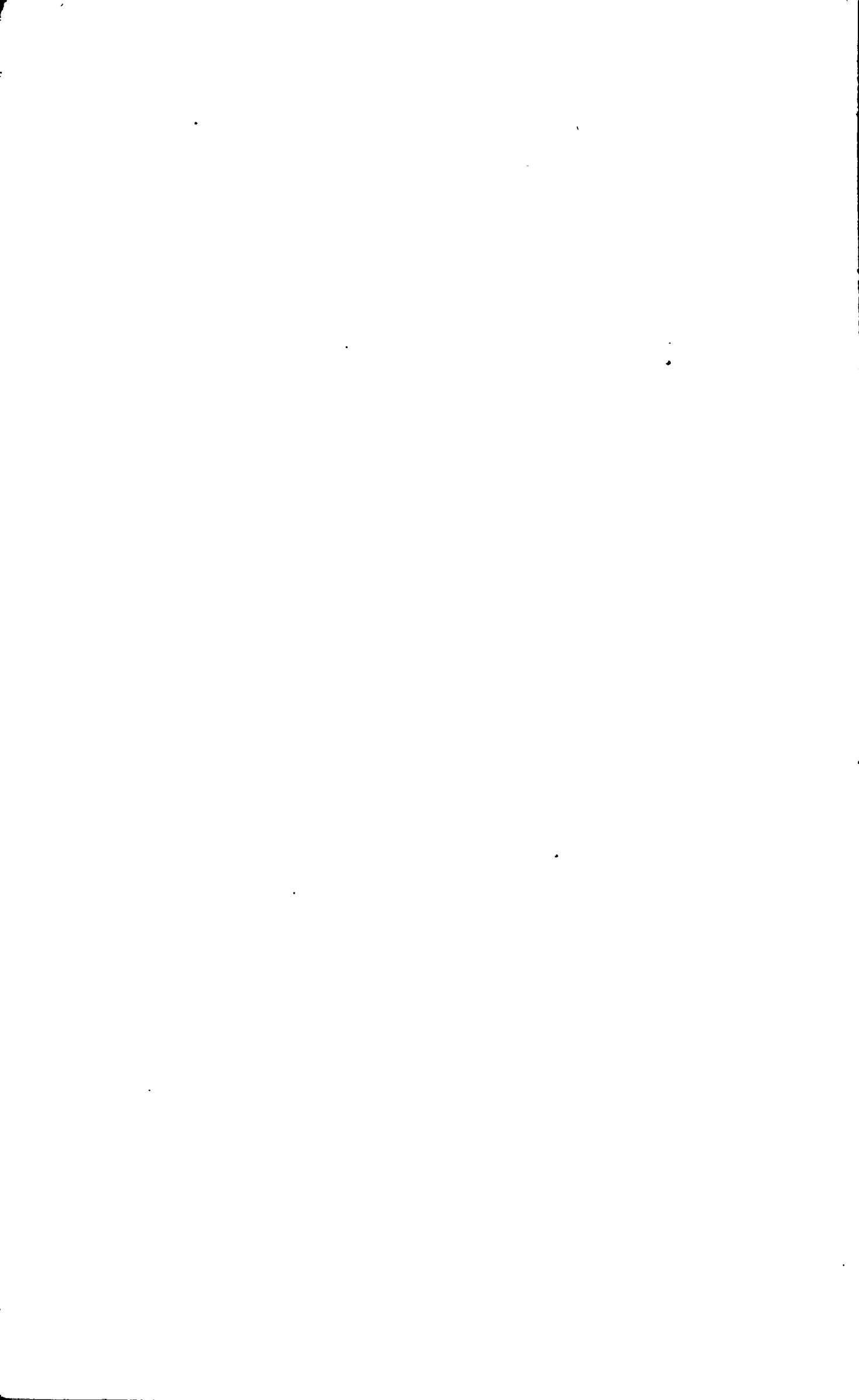
Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 66.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 67.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.—Message No. 25. B.—No. 25.

Gembrook Lands Revesting Bill.—Message No. 26. B.—No. 26.

Officers of Parliament Bill.—[78]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 68.

TUESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will make the minimum quantity of wheat carried on the railway lines one ton instead of two.
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3. MR. FERGUSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will give effect to the recommendations of the Commission's Report on tobacco duties.
4. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause a sum to be placed on the next Estimates to aid prospecting for minerals in addition to gold and coal, also to bring water at high levels to intersect the auriferous terraces known to exist in many parts of the colony, and in due course issue circulars to the various prospecting boards *re* mode of application and distribution.
5. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been directed to the fact that tenders have not as yet been advertised for, for the erection of the new Law Courts at Sandhurst, and if it is the intention of the Government to forbear calling for such tenders until a similar Budget to the one withdrawn this Session has been introduced into a new Parliament; or, will he call for tenders and provide the funds for the erection of the buildings referred to out of the general revenue.
6. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if, in calculating the retiring allowance of Officers of his department, the amount would be based upon the full amount of salary, or upon salary less the sum deducted for rent.
7. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the railway line from Yea towards Alexandra will be open for traffic.
8. MR. RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he has made ample carriage accommodation for the usual passenger traffic to Lal Lal on Boxing and New Year's Day.
9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the promised flying survey of the proposed line of railway from Wedderburn to St. Arnaud, *via* Coonoer Bridge, will be made.
10. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) If he has, as long previously promised, requested Mr. Thwaites to supply him with a plan showing what, in the opinion of that officer, was the best and most effective mode of draining the Moonee Ponds Creek.
 - (2.) If such plan has been supplied, has the Minister, as previously promised, forwarded such plan, with an estimate of the cost of carrying it out, to the various local bodies whose areas drain into that creek, with the view of effecting the removal of the long-standing nuisance existing therein.
11. MR. BOURCHIER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has any objection to lay before the House all the original letters written by the following teachers to the Committee of Classifiers, and applying to be recorded for transfer, viz.:—Wm. Burston, Peter Miller, Hector M. Mathison, Joseph Voysey, Wm. J. H. Martell, William Ryan, John R. Millar, Wm. Field, and John H. Trathan.
12. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he is aware that the Boort and other lakes on the west side of the Loddon River are nearly dry, the little water remaining therein being stagnant and unfit for use; if so, will he direct that a sufficient supply of water be allowed to pass the Serpentine Weir to meet the various requirements of the residents on the side of the river mentioned.

Government Business.

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1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. WALKER : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Melbourne Harbor Trust.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC OFFICERS EMPLOYMENT BILL.—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—To be taken into consideration.
2. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUANCE BILL.—Second reading.
3. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
4. OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. LICENSING ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL—Second reading.
9. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

10. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 11. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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 14. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
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 20. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL—Second reading.
 21. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—Second reading.
 22. WATTLE TREES CULTIVATION BILL—Second reading.
 23. GEMBROOK LANDS REVESTING BILL—Second reading.
 24. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. WM. MCBURNIE—PETITION OF—To be taken into consideration.
4. FISHERIES COMMISSION.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into the question of our National Fisheries—Resumption of debate.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
(1.) That, with the exception of contracts already accepted, the works at the Pope's Eye should be suspended, and the money applied to such works of defence as may possibly be required within the next seven years.
(2.) That the planning and execution of all Defence works be taken out of the hands of the Public Works Department and placed in charge of special scientific experts acting under the general directions of the Defence Department.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
3. MR. WOODS : To move, That under no circumstances shall residence areas on goldfields come under the operation of *The Mining on Private Property Act 1884*, or be treated in any other way than Crown lands are subject to the payment of surface damages only.
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5. MR. BROWN : To move—
(1.) That the system of Municipal Government has undergone a long experience, and meets with the entire approval and confidence of the people of this colony.
(2.) That the provision of the *Local Government Act 1874*, which compels Municipal bodies, at the conclusion of each financial year to liquidate all bank overdrafts, has been found, in practice, most prejudicial to Municipal interests.
(3.) That no reason any longer exists for placing greater restrictions in regard to financial matters upon Municipal bodies than on private individuals.
(4.) That the annual elections enable the ratepayers to control expenditure, and that the financial institutions concerned take care that overdrafts are kept within proper bounds.
(5.) That, in the opinion of this House, therefore, the provision requiring all Municipal bank overdrafts to be liquidated prior to the end of each financial year, should be abolished.
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10. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.

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19. MR. ANDREWS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing how many monitors and monitresses, taken from the scholars of the fifth and sixth classes, are employed in order to do the work of 1st class pupil teachers who have been sent by the department to act elsewhere as assistant teachers.
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(1.) What promotions have been made in the Locomotive Branch of the Railway Department under the régime of the Commissioners.
(2.) The recommendations under which such promotions have been made.
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(4.) What competitive examinations have been held to determine the fitness of candidates for promotion.
(5.) The number of promotions made after competition, and the names of persons who have thus obtained promotion.
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(7.) Whether the Railways Commissioners have decided which are the higher and which are the lower grades of the Railway service.
22. MR. MCINTIRE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Railway Construction Act 1884*.
23. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That this House exonerates the Messengers of the charges brought against them by the Caterer, *i.e.*, appropriating certain articles on the day of naming the Queen's Hall, such being proved void of foundation at the inquiry held by the Speaker and President; also this House regrets that the allegations were made.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION.

On going into Committee of Ways and Means :—

1. MR. GRAVES : To call the attention of the Government to the recent articles in the *Age* newspaper regarding the maladministration of *The Public Service Act 1883* by the Public Service Board, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to cause inquiry to be made as to the correctness or otherwise of these allegations concerning the integrity and efficiency of the Public Service Board.
2. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 8th November from certain residents and landowners in the parishes of Boort, Leaghur, Meering, Meran, Dartagoon, and Kerang, in the counties of Tatchera and Gunbower, praying that the House would cause full inquiries to be made into their complaint, and that if the grievance be found to be well-grounded provision be made whereby the petitioners may be supplied with the amount of the waters of the Loddon River to which they are justly entitled, be now taken into consideration.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 14th December.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—At Woodend.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 7TH DECEMBER, 1888.

- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 31.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32.
Banking Companies Securities Bill.—[84]
Residence Areas Act Amendment Bill.—[46] (To Members of Council only.)
State School Teachers Bill.—[76] (To Members of Council only.)
Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill.—[34] New Clause to be proposed by Hon. W. E. Stanbridge. (To Members of Council only.)
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 68.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.—[56]
Mining on Private Property Act Amendment Bill.—[53]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 69.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. FERGUSON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will make the minimum quantity of wheat carried on the railway lines one ton instead of two.
2. MR. BOURCHIER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has any objection to lay before the House all the original letters written by the following teachers to the Committee of Classifiers, and applying to be recorded for transfer, viz.:—Wm. Burston, Peter Miller, Hector M. Mathisou, Joseph Voysey, Wm. J. H. Martell, William Ryan, John R. Millar, Wm. Field, and John H. Trathan.
3. MR. FERGUSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will give effect to the recommendations of the Commission's Report on tobacco duties.
4. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he is aware that the Boort and other lakes on the west side of the Loddon River are nearly dry, the little water remaining therein being stagnant and unfit for use; if so, will he direct that a sufficient supply of water be allowed to pass the Serpentine Weir to meet the various requirements of the residents on the side of the river mentioned.
5. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the refrigerating trucks for dairy produce will be supplied for the use of the public at Wangaratta, Benalla, and Euroa.
6. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if he will cause instructions to be issued to the Officers of the Water Supply Department at Sandhurst that they shall refrain from placing obstruction in the way of licensed victuallers and others laying on water to their outhouses as required by the officers of the boards of health.
7. MR. HIGHETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if a suitable cool truck can be supplied at Goornong to carry butter and fruit alone to market.
8. MR. BAILES: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been directed to the fact that the Sandhurst Licensing Court has been adjourned to the 5th of February, 1889, to be held in Melbourne, and will he give instruction that the adjourned sittings of that court should be held in Sandhurst.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the correspondence and minutes thereon between patents agents and the Patents Office and Law Department concerning the administration of the Patents Office and the patents laws, and containing suggestions for their improvement in the interest of inventors.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL.—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Consideration of report.
2. APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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24. DR. ROSE : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, all employés in the Railway Service, Public Service, and Police Force, who are compelled by regulations to wear uniform, should either have it provided by the Government, or receive payment in lieu thereof.

THURSDAY, 13TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been directed to the fact that tenders have not as yet been advertised for, for the erection of the new Law Courts at Sandhurst, and if it is the intention of the Government to forbear calling for such tenders until a similar Budget to the one withdrawn this Session has been introduced into a new Parliament ; or, will he call for tenders and provide the funds for the erection of the buildings referred to out of the general revenue.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
 - (1.) By whom licences to boats to carry passengers are issued, and what officer fixes the number to be carried by each boat.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.

TUESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
(1.) If he has received any answer from Great Britain in reference to the salaries paid to Medical Superintendents of Lunatic Asylums ; if so, what were the questions asked, and what was the reply.
(2.) What action does the Government intend to take *re* the increase of salaries.
2. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, considering the increased price of provisions, he will grant an increase of pay, viz., sixpence per day, to the same grades in the railway service as received it from the Honorable Thomas Bent, under similar circumstances.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 12th December.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Friday, 14th December.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at Woodend Shire Hall, at half-past five o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 7TH DECEMBER, 1888.

- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 32.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 33.
Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 4.
Gembrook Lands Revesting Bill.—[2] (To Members of Council only.)
Lunacy Statute Further Amendment Bill.—[17] Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
Mining on Private Property Bill.—[53] (To Members of Council only.)
Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.—[56] To Members of Council only.)
Chinese Immigration Restriction Bill.—[62] (To Members of Council only.)
Auction Sales Statute Amendment Bill.—[65] (To Members of Council only.)
Irrigation and Water Supply Loans Bill.—[70] (To Members of Council only.)
Officers of Parliament Bill.—[78] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 67 and 68.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 69.

Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 9.

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns, quarter ended 30th September, 1888.
No. 113.

County Court Rules, 1888. No. 113.

The Land Act 1884, Section 69—Schedule of Lands proposed for Sale, &c., during 1889.
No. 115.

Education Act 1872—Regulation. Order in Council. No. 118.

Land Sold between Yarra and Main Road to Port Melbourne.—Return. C.—No. 25.

Licensing Act 1885 Further Amendment Bill.—[58] As reported 7th December, 1888. (To
Members of Assembly only.)

Harbor Trust Acts Amendment Bill.—[82]

Appropriation Bill.—[86] (To Members of both Houses.)

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1888. No. 111.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 70.

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 - (2.) To ask the Minister whether the decision arrived at by the Commission cannot be varied in the interests of art culture.
6. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he has made the promised arrangement that will enable the consumers of water by meter to participate, from the 1st of January, in the reduction to 6d. per 1,000 gallons up to the full amount of their rating.
7. MR. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - (1.) Whether in contracts for the construction of railways and works thereon there is any condition inserted in the specifications attached to such contracts respectively requiring contractors to place at convenient distances proper places for the reception of labourers who may be injured by accident on such railway works, and making provision for the temporary treatment of the labourers who may be injured by any railway accident, and for the furnishing of ambulance requisites therefor.
 - (2.) In the event of no such provision existing in such contracts, will the Honorable the Minister of Railways give direction for the introduction of such a clause in all future specifications of railway contracts, and that provision may be made in respect thereof to the satisfaction of the Inspecting Engineer of Works in order that any cases of accident may have means of immediate treatment until the patients can be safely removed.
8. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey in view of the great demand for Mallee land required for settlement, and the importance to B-block holders under the Mallee Acts as to their future tenancy, what course the Minister intends to take in order to supply the demand of the one with land for occupation, and satisfy the other in *re* their future tenancy of the B-blocks.
9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will send an officer of his department to Inglewood, without delay, for the purpose of inspecting and reporting fully to him upon the state of the eastern storm-water channel running through that borough, with a view to have urgent necessary repairs made thereto.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. GILLIES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision for the vesting of certain lands in the Board of Land and Works, the Victorian Railways Commissioners, the Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne respectively.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAIRMAN OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR—
To be considered in Committee.
2. MEMBERS OF COUNCIL BILL—Second reading.
3. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. WATTLE TREES CULTIVATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. INTESTATE ESTATES RELIEF BILL—Second reading.
12. DUTIES ON ESTATES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
15. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL—Second reading.
16. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—Second reading.
17. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUSTEES COMPANIES AMALGAMATION BILL—Second reading.
2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Consideration of report.

TUESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
(1.) If he has received any answer from Great Britain in reference to the salaries paid to Medical Superintendents of Lunatic Asylums ; if so, what were the questions asked, and what was the reply.
(2.) What action does the Government intend to take *re* the increase of salaries.
2. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, considering the increased price of provisions, he will grant an increase of pay, viz., sixpence per day, to the same grades in the railway service as received it from the Honorable Thomas Bent, under similar circumstances.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
2. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN : To move, That the regulations as to exhibitions and scholarships be amended by throwing open same to the scholars of all schools of the same primary nature as State schools.
3. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the development of the coal-fields of Victoria, and to take evidence.
4. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That the resolution passed by this House on 2nd October, 1878, respecting a penny postage, be at once put in force.
5. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the practice of allowing the gristing of oats in bond should be absolutely abolished, as such a practice is calculated to undermine the fiscal policy of the colony.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain losses sustained by Mr. Andrew Lyell through the passing of the Land Act 1862, such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
7. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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(2.) The recommendations under which such promotions have been made.

- (3.) The positions occupied by such persons before promotion, together with length of service and age of the parties, and pay received before and after.
 (4.) What competitive examinations have been held to determine the fitness of candidates for promotion.
 (5.) The number of promotions made after competition, and the names of persons who have thus obtained promotion.
 (6.) What announcements were made in the public press, or otherwise, as to positions to be competed for ; and,
 (7.) Whether the Railways Commissioners have decided which are the higher and which are the lower grades of the Railway service.
8. MR. MCINTYRE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Railway Construction Act* 1884.
9. MR. A. HARRIS: To move, That this House exonerates the Messengers of the charges brought against them by the Caterer, *i.e.*, appropriating certain articles on the day of naming the Queen's Hall, such being proved void of foundation at the inquiry held by the Speaker and President; also this House regrets that the allegations were made.
10. DR. ROSE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, all employés in the Railway Service, Public Service, and Police Force, who are compelled by regulations to wear uniform, should either have it provided by the Government, or receive payment in lieu thereof.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

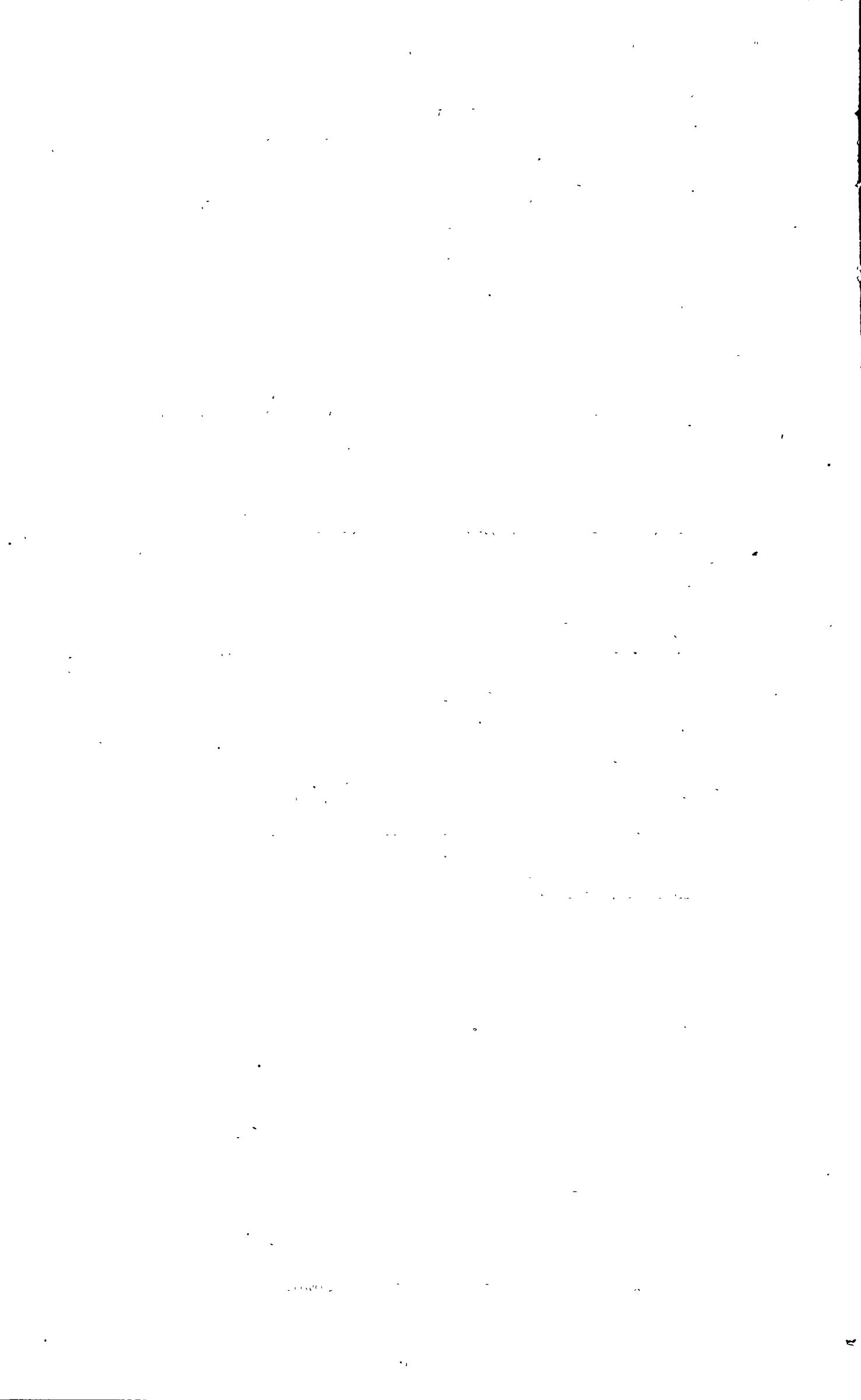
Friday, 14th December.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at Woodend Shire Hall, at half-past five o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH DECEMBER, 1888.

- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 33.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 34.
 Licensing Act Convictions—Return. C.—No. 7.
 Alfred Graving Dock—Return. C.—No. 8.
 Licensing Act 1885 Further Amendment Bill.—[58] (To Members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 70.
 Public Service Board—Report. No. 114.
 Port Melbourne Lagoon Bill.—[44]
 Pleuro-pneumonia Extermination Bill.—[45] (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Increase of Members of Council Bill.—[75] (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Education Endowment Bill.—[79]
 Appropriation Bill.—[86] (Issue completed.)
 Companies Amalgamation Bill.—[89]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 71.

TUESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If he has received any answer from Great Britain in reference to the salaries paid to Medical Superintendents of Lunatic Asylums ; if so, what were the questions asked, and what was the reply.
 - (2.) What action does the Government intend to take *re* the increase of salaries.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
 - (1.) By whom licences to boats to carry passengers are issued, and what officer fixes the number to be carried by each boat.
 - (2.) Are there any regulations in force providing that the number of passengers which a boat is licensed to carry shall be legibly painted upon such boat in a conspicuous place.
 - (3.) Is there any law or regulation in force under which persons letting boats are or can be required to satisfy themselves that the persons hiring the same are capable of managing them.
 - (4.) On whom does the duty rest of seeing that any law or regulation in force relating to the carriage of passengers is duly enforced, or that due punishment is inflicted on any one breaking such law or regulations.
 - (5.) Is the law as it stands at present sufficiently stringent in its provisions, and will it admit of such regulations being made, if none are at present in existence, as would be likely to prevent in the future such lamentable loss of life as recently occurred in Hobson's Bay.
3. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, considering the increased price of provisions, he will grant an increase of pay, viz., sixpence per day, to the same grades in the railway service as received it from the Honorable Thomas Bent, under similar circumstances.
4. MR. BAILES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Water Supply if his attention has been drawn to the statement made at a meeting of the Sandhurst Mine Owners Association, held on Tuesday night last, to the effect "that a large number of claims on the New Chum line of reef, in the Sandhurst and Eaglehawk mining districts, were much retarded in carrying on operations owing to the limited supply of water," and would he give instructions for inquiry to be made in the matter, so that the inconvenience complained of might be removed.
5. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will introduce a measure to regulate the height and size of those enormous buildings which are endangering the lives and property of Her Majesty's subjects.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order, agreed to by this House on the 18th September last, that provides that no fresh business be called on after eleven o'clock on Tuesdays and Thursdays be now read and rescinded.
2. MR. WRIXON : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the laws relating to the issue of Insurance Licences and to the collection of Revenue by Stamps.
3. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House approves of the proposed reference to the Privy Council of the matter of the disputed boundary between the Colony of Victoria and the Province of South Australia.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—To be taken into consideration.
2. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—To be taken into consideration.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. LANDS VESTING BILL—Second reading.
5. DISCIPLINE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—Second reading.
7. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL—Second reading.
8. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL—Second reading.
9. CHAIRMAN OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
10. TRUSTEES COMPANIES BILL—AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND TRANSMITTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—To be taken into consideration.
11. WATTLE TREES CULTIVATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. BANKS AND CURRENCY AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
13. MILITARY RESERVES SALE BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
14. MERCHANDISE MARKS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
15. PATENT LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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18. PHYLLOXERA VINE DISEASE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. CONSERVATION OF TIMBER BILL—Second reading.
20. AUDIT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

*General Business.***ORDERS OF THE DAY:—**

1. TRUSTEES COMPANIES AMALGAMATION BILL—Second reading.
 2. PLEURO-PNEUMONIA EXTERMINATION BILL—Consideration of report.
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WEDNESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR BRYAN O'LOGHLEN: To move, That all schools other than State schools shall, on the request of the managers thereof respectively, be periodically inspected and reported on by the inspectors in the same manner as State schools now are, and that this House instructs the Minister to carry out such system of inspection accordingly.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 14th December.

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE—at Woodend Shire Hall, at half-past five o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 34.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 35.

Chinese Immigration Restriction Bill.—[62] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Colonel Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

Railway Loan Bill.—[85] (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 71.

Chairman Railways Commissioners Bill—Message No. 30. B.—No. 30.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 72.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether the Railway Department has insisted upon better progress being made in the construction of the Fitzroy to Whittlesea Railway, and if the department is in possession of any information showing that the works will be executed in a reasonable time consistent with the period provided in the contract for the completion of this line of railway.
2. MR. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether a terminal charge of sixpence per ton on flour and other products of wheat is made at Eaglehawk and is not made at any other stations.
3. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the Railways Commissioners will favorably consider the desirableness of permanently increasing by from sixpence to one shilling per day the wages of the low-paid men employed in the Railway Department.
4. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government will make arrangements for increased prison accommodation, in order that the Melbourne Gaol may be removed.
5. LIEUT.-COL. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when tenders will be called for putting an additional storey on the Strong-room of the Titles Office, in order that it may be finished and ready for occupation at once, and so afford greater facilities for the despatch of business, and also afford more accommodation for the searching branch of the Titles Office.
6. MR. L. L. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General when the Government intend to appoint justices of the peace for the district of Mornington.
7. LIEUT.-COL. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he will request the Public Service Board to make such arrangements with the Registrar of Titles as may be approved of by the Secretary to the Law Department, by which greater expedition may be made in the work of the Titles Office, and more particularly the Lodging-room under Mr. Byrne and the Searching-room under Mr. Goode, and whether he will cause such additions to be made to Mr. Byrne's staff at once as will do away with delay.
8. MR. A. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the erection of permanent railway station buildings at Smythesdale.
9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he is aware that certain officers of his department have not been paid their general overtime for the months of August, September, and October; if so, will he cause such to be settled before the Christmas holidays.
10. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will publish for general information all the reports and recommendations made by Sir James Hector on the coal deposits of Victoria.
11. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if the Government will, during the recess, take into consideration the question of providing increased berthing accommodation at Port Melbourne pier.
12. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he is aware that the electoral registrars throughout the colony are refusing to issue electors' rights to applicants, and, that inasmuch as serious misunderstandings have arisen in consequence, will he be good enough to state what his department propose to do to enable persons entitled to vote at the next election to have that right assured to them.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House approves of the proposed reference to the Privy Council of the matter of the disputed boundary between the Colony of Victoria and the Province of South Australia.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1888 BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
3. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be considered in Committee.
4. PORT MELBOURNE LAGOON BILL—Second reading.
5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL—Second reading.
7. CHAIRMAN OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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M. H. DAVIES,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 14TH DECEMBER, 1888.

- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 35.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.
 Marine Stores and Old Metals Bill.—[9] (To Members of Council only.)
 Electoral Law Amendment Bill.—[34] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)
 Mining on Private Property Act Amendment Bill.—[53] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. Bell. (To Members of Council only.)
 Sparrow Destruction Bill.—[54] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)
 Licensing Act Amendment Bill.—[58] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)
 Auction Sale, Statute Amendment Bill.—[65] New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)
 State School Teachers Bill.—[76] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)
 Marine Stores and Old Metals Bill.—[9] (As reported 13th December, 1888.) (To Members of Council only.)
 Stamp Duties Amendment Bill.—[90] (To Members of Council only.)
 Licensing Act Amendment Bill.—[58] (As reported 18th December, 1888. (To Members of Council only.)
 Discipline Acts Amendment Bill.—[3] (To Members of Council only.)
 Harbor Trust Acts Amendment Bill.—[82] (To Members of Council only.)

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 69, 70, and 71.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 72.
 D. W. Ramsay and Defence Department—Return. C.—No. 30.
 Board of Inquiry on Registrar-General's Office—Return. C.—No. 32.
 Australian Statistics for the year 1887, with a Report by the Government Statist of Victoria. No. 108.
 Public Health Law Amendment Bill.—[31] New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Deakin. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Electoral Districts Alteration Bill.—[55] Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Stamp Duties Amendment Bill.—[90]
 Land Exchange for Railways Bill.—[91]
 Factories and Shops Act 1885 Amendment Bill.—[93]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 73.

THURSDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1888.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if his attention has been called to the fact that wood trucks are sent on Sundays habitually to be loaded and removed on that day from the Longwood station.
2. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether, in consequence of the farmers in the Goulburn Valley and the Yarrawonga district being unable to avail themselves of the farmers' excursion trains this month, through being engaged in harvesting, he will have farmers' excursion trains run from the above districts during the month of January next, before the closing of the Exhibition.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That this House approves of the proposed reference to the Privy Council of the matter of the disputed boundary between the Colony of Victoria and the Province of South Australia.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
3. EDUCATION ENDOWMENT COMMISSIONERS BILL—Second reading.
4. CHAIRMAN OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—
To be considered in Committee.

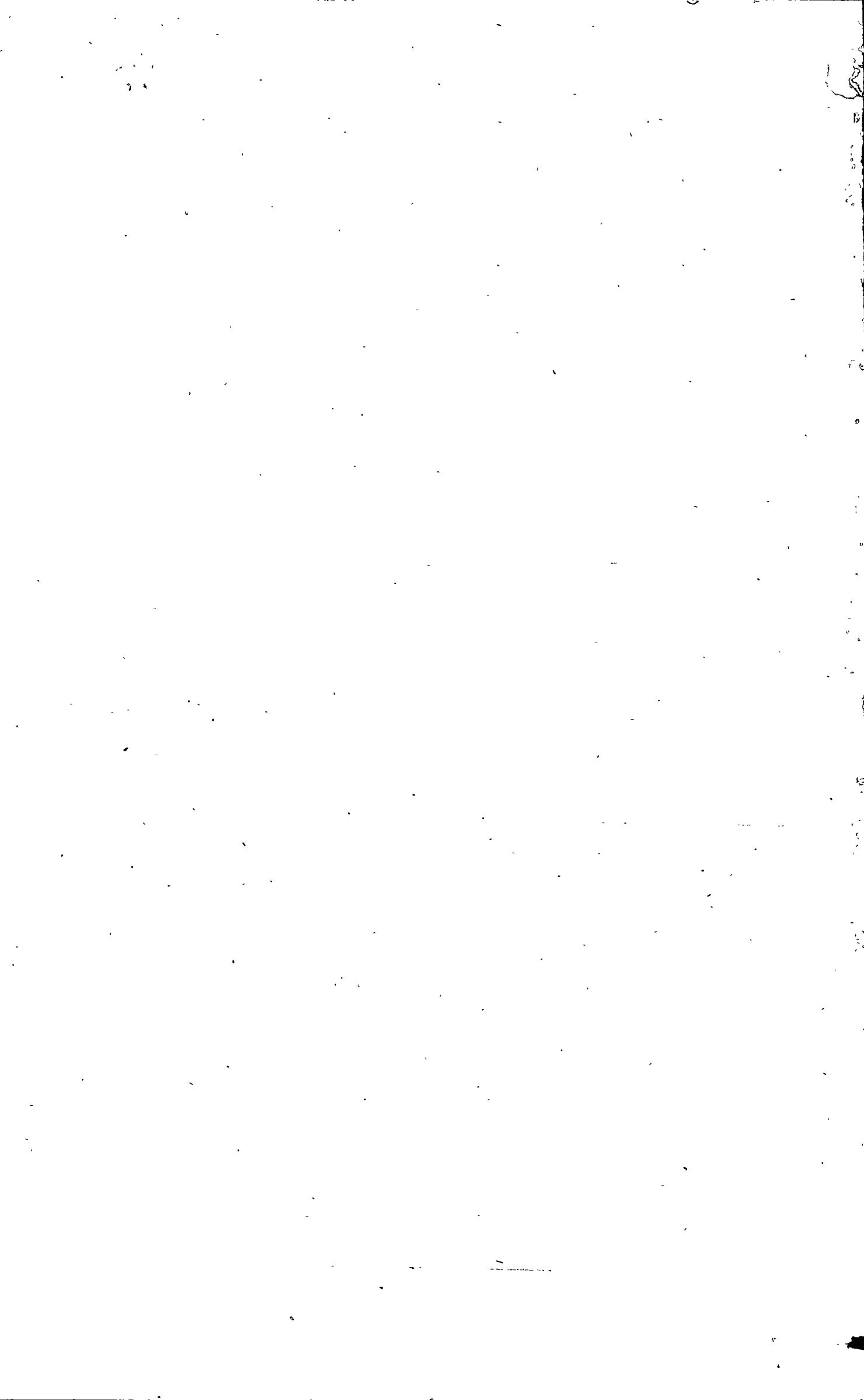
GEO. H. JENKINS,
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M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 36.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 73.
Finance, 1887-8—The Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1888; accompanied by the Report of the Commissioners of Audit, &c. A.—No. 5.
Port Melbourne Lagoon Bill—Message No. 31. B.—No. 31.
Architect of Parliament House—Return. C.—No. 27.
Press Telegrams between Victoria and Western Australia. No. 124.
Male Teachers—Return. C.—No. 29.
Yan Yean Water Supply. C.—No. 31.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 74.

SATURDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1888.

Question.

1. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the Library the correspondence between Major Daniel and the Customs Department relating to Mr. Fred. L. Kay.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

M. H. DAVIES,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST DECEMBER, 1888.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 37.

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