



VICTORIA NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SESSION 1876

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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THURSDAY, 13TH JULY 1876.

1. **MR. FARRELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the condition of that portion of the Coliban Waterworks intended to supply water for mining purposes to Fryer's Creek and Castlemaine ; and to ask him when tenders will be called for cutting the channel from Cooper's tunnel to Spring Gully, Fryer's Creek.
2. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the urgent necessity of opening a post office at the new mining township of Bethanga, in the district of the Upper Murray; and ask when such office will be opened.
3. **MR. BOSISTO** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been directed to a report lately published in the newspapers from the Technological Museum Laboratory, having reference to the poisonous coloring substances contained in much of the sugar confectionery now offered for sale; and to ask whether he will direct that immediate steps be taken to remedy the evil.
4. **MR. MCKEAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the number of claims now or lately held by the Bank of Victoria, at Walhalla, on which the labor covenants are not complied with; and to ask him what course he intends adopting with regard to those leases.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when he will be prepared to lay on the Table of the House a Report on the buckled rails and useless points and crossings sent out from England.
6. **MR. MCKEAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the promise made by him some months ago to erect two schools at Glenmaggie; and to ask him when the promise will be carried out.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week, during the present Session, be the days on which the Assembly 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 paper) be called on after eleven o'clock p.m.
2. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That during the present Session the Government business shall be called on not later than five o'clock, except on Wednesdays, when Private Bills and Orders of the Day, other than Government business, shall have precedence until half-past six o'clock.
3. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Walker, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. R. M. Smith, and Mr. Langton.
4. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Woods, Mr. Bayles, and Mr. Coppin.
5. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Campbell, Major W. C. Smith, and Mr. Godfrey.
6. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following Members form the Select Committee on Standing Orders during the present Session, five to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Service, Mr. Berry, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Wrixon, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Davies, Mr. Langton, and the Mover.
7. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session, three to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Berry, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Crews, Mr. Mackay, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Bent, Mr. Langridge, and Mr. MacDermott.
8. **MR. RAMSAY** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Education.
9. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move for leave to bring in a bill to amend "*The Electoral Act.*"
10. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House, will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to take into consideration the laws relating to Markets.
11. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the number of children under six years of age on the rolls of the Common Schools on 31st December 1872 ; also, of the average attendance of the children under six years of age during the year ending on that date.
12. **MR. GARRATT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Mr. Eaton, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Mr. Walker, Mr. Inglis, Mr. Crews, Mr. Cope, Mr. King, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Whiteman, and the Mover.
13. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the papers *re* the selection of James O'Donoghue, St. Arnaud district.
14. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
15. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers connected with the late sale of land at Kilmany Park, North Gippsland ; also a plan of the ground in the immediate neighbourhood taken up by selectors, and of the ground sold at the late sale.
16. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the receipts and expenditure on the Castlemaine and Dunolly Railway from the opening thereof, distinguishing the traffic and working expenses to and from Dunolly and Maryborough respectively.
17. **MR. BOSISTO** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of granting permission to bring in a "Pharmacy Bill."

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—To be taken into consideration.

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(370 copies.)

TUESDAY, 18TH JULY.

1. MR. COPPIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the inconsistency of charging two-pence in addition to the penny stamp upon a postal card directed to the neighbouring colonies ; and to ask him to have the amount reduced to the same rate as for letters.
2. MR. MOORE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the Sandhurst to Inglewood Railway will be open for traffic.
3. MR. LEVIEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the urgent want of teachers' residences at Beremboke and Cargerie ; and to ask when he anticipates being able to provide them.
4. MR. HOPKINS : To ask the Honorable the Minister representing the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs if he will cause a white light to be fixed upon the Drysdale Jetty instead of the usual green one.
5. MR. STEWART : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the fact that a bridge order was granted to the Shire of Talbot for a bridge at Fletcher's crossing, and one to the Shire of Glenlyon for a bridge at Coomarre ; that both works were completed to the satisfaction of the Department ; that the moiety payable by Government has not yet been paid ; and to ask if the Honorable the Commissioner will take the necessary steps to re-vote the money.
6. MR. WITT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the injustice done to the farmers and other residents of Moyhu, Greta, Taminick, and Glenrowan by the closing of the goods shed at the Glenrowan Station ; and to ask whether he will cause the goods shed to be re-opened.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FUGITIVE CRIMINALS AND DEBTORS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The total amount received by the Railway Department for the carriage of passengers and goods respectively in 1874-5, financial year.
 - (2.) A similar return for 1875-6.
 - (3.) The average amount per passenger and per ton of goods during the same periods.
 - (4.) A list of all special rulings, with the names of the persons or firms in whose favor such rulings were made since the present tariff came in force ; together with a statement of the difference between the special and the published rate, and showing in each case the total amount of such difference.
 - (5.) All instances where the Department has declined to carry goods at the published rates.
 - (6.) All known instances of inability on the part of the Railway Department to carry goods owing to the want of rolling-stock, station and siding conveniences on the opened lines.
 - (7.) The number of employes per mile in 1874-5 and 1875-6 respectively.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, *on the first day set apart for Private Business*, For leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Bills of Sale and Fraudulent Preferences to Creditors.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH JULY 1876.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 1.
Return of Members of the Legislative Council 11th July 1876 at the opening of the 24th session of Parliament.

Statistical Register for 1875—Part I. Blue Book. No. 1.
Statistical Register for 1875—Part II. Population. No. 2.
Post-Office Savings Bank—Statement of Accounts, &c. No. 3.
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery—Report of the Trustees, &c., for 1875. No. 4.
Statistical Register for 1875—Part III. Finance, &c. No. 5.
Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 31st March 1876. No. 6.
Chief Medical Officer—Return of Diseases and Deaths, &c. No. 7.
Penal Establishments and Gaols—Report of the Inspector-General for 1875. No. 13.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH JULY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 1.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the day.—[1]
Friendly Societies—List of all Societies which have been registered, &c. No. 19.
Notice and Rules under the Stamp Statute 1869. No. 20.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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7. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether the letter or memorandum sent to the Agent-General by the late Commissioner of Railways, dispensing with the services of Messrs. Brereton and Lewis, has been acted upon by the present Government ; or whether Messrs. Brereton and Lewis are still retained as Inspecting Engineers in England.
8. MR. BENT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the necessity that exists for a Breakwater at Picnic, Brighton ; and to ask whether the Government will place a sum of money upon the Estimates for the purpose.
9. MR. MCKEAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the number of claims now or lately held by the Bank of Victoria, at Walhalla, on which the labor covenants are not complied with ; and to ask him what course he intends adopting with regard to those leases.
10. MR. WOODS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the rumour now abroad to the effect that it is the intention of the Government to call for tenders for Bogie engines in this colony, on designs furnished either wholly or in part by the Victorian Locomotive authorities ; and to ask whether any such action will be postponed, pending the arrival of model Bogie engines now ordered from America.
11. MR. MCKEAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the promise made by him some months ago to erect two schools at Glenmaggie ; and to ask him when the promise will be carried out.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers connected with the superannuation of ex-Constable William O'Neill, No. 2708, including his petition to the Chief Secretary, dated 22nd March 1876, the proceedings of the Medical Board which sat upon his case on the 1st of June 1876, and the Chief Secretary's reply to his petition, dated 14th June 1876.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—MOTION FOR.—To be considered in Committee.
2. EDUCATION LAW 1872 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. FUGITIVE CRIMINALS AND DEBTORS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the number of children under six years of age on the rolls of the Common Schools on 31st December 1872 ; also, of the average attendance of the children under six years of age during the year ending on that date
2. MR. TUCKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.

3. MR. MCKEAN: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers connected with the late sale of land at Kilmany Park, North Gippsland; also a plan of the ground in the immediate neighbourhood taken up by selectors, and of the ground sold at the late sale.
4. MR. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the receipts and expenditure on the Castlemaine and Dunolly Railway from the opening thereof, distinguishing the traffic and working expenses to and from Dunolly and Maryborough respectively.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS.—Resolution to be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY.

General Business.

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1. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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 - (5.) All instances where the Department has declined to carry goods at the published rates.
 - (6.) All known instances of inability on the part of the Railway Department to carry goods owing to the want of rolling-stock, station and siding conveniences on the opened lines.
 - (7.) The number of employés per mile in 1874–5 and 1875–6 respectively.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Resolution to be considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SERVICE: To move, *on the first day set apart for Private Business*, For leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Bills of Sale and Fraudulent Preferences to Creditors.

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH JULY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 2.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the day.—[2]
Education Act Amendment Bill.—[5]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY 1876.

1. **MR. MCKEAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the statement made by him in the House of Assembly on last Thursday, relative to the purchase of the Hobson's Bay Railway by the Government ; and also to the statement of the Minister of Justice at Sandridge, on last Friday on the same subject ; and to ask which statement is true.
2. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to certain statements made in this House, by the Honorable Member for Ballarat West, Major W. C. Smith, during the past week, relative to the visit of a section of the Ministry to Buninyong ; and to ask if it is not a fact that the Ministers present, through Major Couchman, on their return to town, wanted to liquidate the expenses of the trip.
3. **MR. KING** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the want of School accommodation at Footscray ; and to ask when it is his intention to advertise for tenders for the new school.
4. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the circular recently issued by his Department to Electoral Registrars, directing them to receive stamps instead of cash for all Electors Rights issued after the first instant, and to the great public inconvenience thus caused ; and to ask if he will have any objection to make some arrangement by which a supply of stamps may be furnished to the Electoral and Deputy Electoral Registrars throughout the colony.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether the letter or memorandum sent to the Agent-General by the late Commissioner of Railways, dispensing with the services of Messrs. Brereton and Lewis, has been acted upon by the present Government ; or whether Messrs. Brereton and Lewis are still retained as Inspecting Engineers in England.
6. **MR. MCKEAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the promise made to a deputation of gentlemen from North Gippsland by the Honorable Mr. Gillies, when Minister of Railways, that he would cause a survey to be made of the proposed line of railway from Bairnsdale to the Melbourne and Sale railway ; and also, to a similar promise made by the Honorable Mr. Woods, when Minister of Railways ; and ask him when he will carry out these promises.
7. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the rumour now abroad to the effect that it is the intention of the Government to call for tenders for Bogie engines in this colony, on designs furnished either wholly or in part by the Victorian Locomotive authorities ; and to ask whether any such action will be postponed, pending the arrival of model Bogie engines now ordered from America.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Bills of Sale and Fraudulent Preferences to Creditors.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PHARMACY BILL**.—Resolution to be considered in Committee.
2. **MARKET LAWS**.—Resolutions to be reported.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relative to the late amalgamation of the Marine with the Dredging and Dockyards ; also, copies of any additional correspondence there may be in the department having reference to the dispensing with the services of a man named L. Gray.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. JONES** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the Maintenance of Main Roads.
2. **MR. KERFERD** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Mining on Private Property for Gold and Silver.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**.—Resolution to be reported.
2. **EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **FUGITIVE CRIMINALS AND DEBTORS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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 - (4.) A list of all special rulings, with the names of the persons or firms in whose favor such rulings were made since the present tariff came in force; together with a statement of the difference between the special and the published rate, and showing in each case the total amount of such difference.
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 - (7.) The number of employés per mile in 1874-5 and 1875-6 respectively.
2. MR. GODFREY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the closing of the Plenty Ranges Water Reserve, and preventing of settlers going upon it; such Committee to consist of Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Crews, Mr. Curtain, Mr. Inglis, Mr. Bosisto, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and have power to move from place to place.
3. MR. MCKEAN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the plans, reports, and papers, connected with the six or seven claims at Walhalla, North Gippsland, now or lately mortgaged to the Bank of Victoria.
4. MR. TUCKER : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
5. MR. MCKEAN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers connected with the late sale of land at Kilmany Park, North Gippsland; also a plan of the ground in the immediate neighbourhood taken up by selectors; and of the ground sold at the late sale.

THURSDAY, 20TH JULY.

1. MR. SERVICE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a recent decision of the Supreme Court in reference to the Succession Duties; and to ask whether he will consider the propriety of introducing a short Bill to amend the present law.
2. MR. SERVICE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the serious inconvenience and loss sustained by persons in this Colony owing to the defective arrangements in force in New South Wales for the transmission of telegrams from and through that Colony to Victoria; and ask if he will put himself in communication with the Government of New South Wales with a view to the evil being remedied.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
2. MR. TUCKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable for the future welfare of this country that the further alienation of Crown lands should be suspended until this House has had an opportunity of reviewing and considering the past land legislation, and ascertaining whether the avowed object of such legislation, viz., the settlement of a *bonâ fide* agricultural population upon the lands has been achieved or otherwise.

TUESDAY, 25TH JULY.

1. MR. LEVIEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claims of Joseph Cadogan, of Elaine; and to ask him whether he has considered his case, and, if so, with what result.
2. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the desirability of establishing a Water Police Court in Sandridge, similar to the one existing in Sydney, and to a Petition presented by him during last Session on this subject; and to ask whether he will take the necessary steps to establish such a Court in that borough.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CASEY: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their Attendance in Parliament.*"

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 19th July.

MR. EATON—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 14TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 1.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 2.
Trade Marks Bill.—[3]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 3.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[3]
Chief Medical Officer—Report on the Sanatory Station for 1875. No. 9.
Education Act 1872 Amendment Bill.—New clause by Mr. MacBain. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 20TH JULY 1876.

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a recent decision of the Supreme Court in reference to the Succession Duties ; and to ask whether he will consider the propriety of introducing a short-Bill to amend the present law.
2. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the case of William Hendy, who selected an allotment of land near St. Arnaud in 1874 ; and to ask if the following statements be correct, viz. : That the Local Land Board, on the 7th October 1874, recommended his application, when a man named Reidy forcibly took possession of the land, and proceeded to erect a hut upon it in contravention of the Act, and appealed against the decision of the Local Land Board to Mr. Casey, who, on 15th February 1875, decided that the allotment should be divided between them. That the Local Land Board, on 2nd June, reversed its former decision and recommended the division of the allotment between them, although Reidy was not present. That Hendy, having discovered that Reidy owned land elsewhere, appealed against the decision, which cause came on for rehearing on 14th August 1875, the Chairman of Board stating that Reidy had been violating the Act from the beginning. That the Board recommended that half the allotment should be given to him. That Hendy, as a last resource, appealed to Mr. Longmore, who was then Minister of Lands, who decided in his (Hendy's) favor, and authorized him to pay the fees and take possession. That Reidy refused to remove and was summoned to the Police Court, and was given a fortnight to clear off the land. That on the 26th November Hendy received a letter from the Lands Department, stating that his license to occupy was cancelled ; and that, in defiance of previous Ministers, Crown Lands Bailiff, and the Police Magistrate, Reidy kept illegal possession of the land ; and that efforts are now being made by the present Crown Lands Bailiff to induce Hendy to give up possession of the land ; and, if so, will the Minister appoint a Board to inquire into and report upon the foregoing statements, and, if found correct, order Hendy to be placed in possession of the land.
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TUESDAY, 25TH JULY.

1. **MR. LEVIEN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claims of Joseph Cadogan, of Elaine; and to ask him whether he has considered his case, and, if so, with what result.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the desirability of establishing a Water Police Court in Sandridge, similar to the one existing in Sydney, and to a Petition presented by him during last Session on this subject; and to ask whether he will take the necessary steps to establish such a Court in that borough.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MUNRO**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the papers relating to the death and burial of a youth named William Berry, who died recently on board the *Nelson* training ship.
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WEDNESDAY, 26TH JULY.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CASEY: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their Attendance in Parliament.*"
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST.

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Government Business.

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1. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH JULY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 4.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[4]
 Report of the Chief Inspector of Mines, &c., for 1875. No. 11.
 Order in Council—New Form of Crown Grant for Land of Special Auriferous Value. No. 22.
 Pharmacy Bill.—[13]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the laws relating to dealers in old metals.
2. SIR JAMES McCULLOCH : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Railway Loan Act 1876.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
2. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CASEY:** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their Attendance in Parliament.*"
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY.

Government Business.

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Government Business.

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1. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 25th July.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21st JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 2.
Juries Law Amendment Bill.—[11]Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 5.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[5]
Mineral Statistics for 1875. No. 12.
Order in Council—Issue of Licenses for the Exclusive Use of State Forests. No. 24.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH JULY 1876.

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5. MR. KING : To move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "*A Bill to establish and regulate a Permanent Fund in connection with the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association,*" and that the said Bill be now read a first time.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR JAMES McCULLOCH : To move, That this House do this day resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means:

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

1. SUPPLY.—Resolution to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
5. MARINE STORES DEALERS—LAWS RELATING TO.—To be considered in Committee.

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THURSDAY, 27TH JULY.

1. MR. MCKEAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to a certain selection of land made by Miss Jane Priscilla Simmons, on the run of Mr. John Simmons, Gippsland, and forfeited on the application of Peter Hunter; and to ask the Honorable Member if it is his intention to sell the said land by public auction, and if so, whether he has any objection to postpone the sale thereof for at least six weeks from this date.
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Government Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY :—**

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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TUESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

1. MR. LEVIEN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of establishing "test farms" as suggested by the Secretary for Agriculture in his first year's report; and to ask whether he will favorably consider the proposal.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST.

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NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 26th July.

MR. EATON—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 21st JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[6]

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June 1877; with Supplementary Estimates 1875-6—Message. B.—No. 1. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report, &c., for 1875. No. 14.

Railway Loan—Correspondence, &c. No. 23.

Main Road Districts Bill.—[6]

Railway Loan Act Amendment Bill.—[12]

Education Act Amendment Bill—New Clause. Mr. Mirams. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Melbourne Benevolent Asylum Sale Bill. (*Private.*)Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas Company Bill. (*Private.*)Emerald Hill Council Sale and Purchase of Land Bill. (*Private.*)Rosstown Junction Railway Bill. (*Private.*)Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Bill. (*Private.*)Colonial Bank of Australasia Continuation of Powers Bill. (*Private.*)



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4. **MR. SERVICE** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer what was the balance of cash to the credit of Revenue when the books were closed on the 30th June last.
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8. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That in the opinion of this House, the Government have failed in their duty by not taking some immediate steps to prevent the national calamity with which we are threatened, namely, the destruction of Hobson's Bay, by the rapid silting-up which is at present taking place.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 1ST AUGUST.

1. **MR. LEVIEN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of establishing "test farms" as suggested by the Secretary for Agriculture in his first year's report; and to ask whether he will favorably consider the proposal.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to absolutely abolish imprisonment for debt and distress for rent.
2. **MR. CASEY :** Motion for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their Attendance in Parliament*"—Resumption of debate.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—Second reading.
2. PHARMACY BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 27th July.

MR. MCKEAN—at eleven o'clock.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

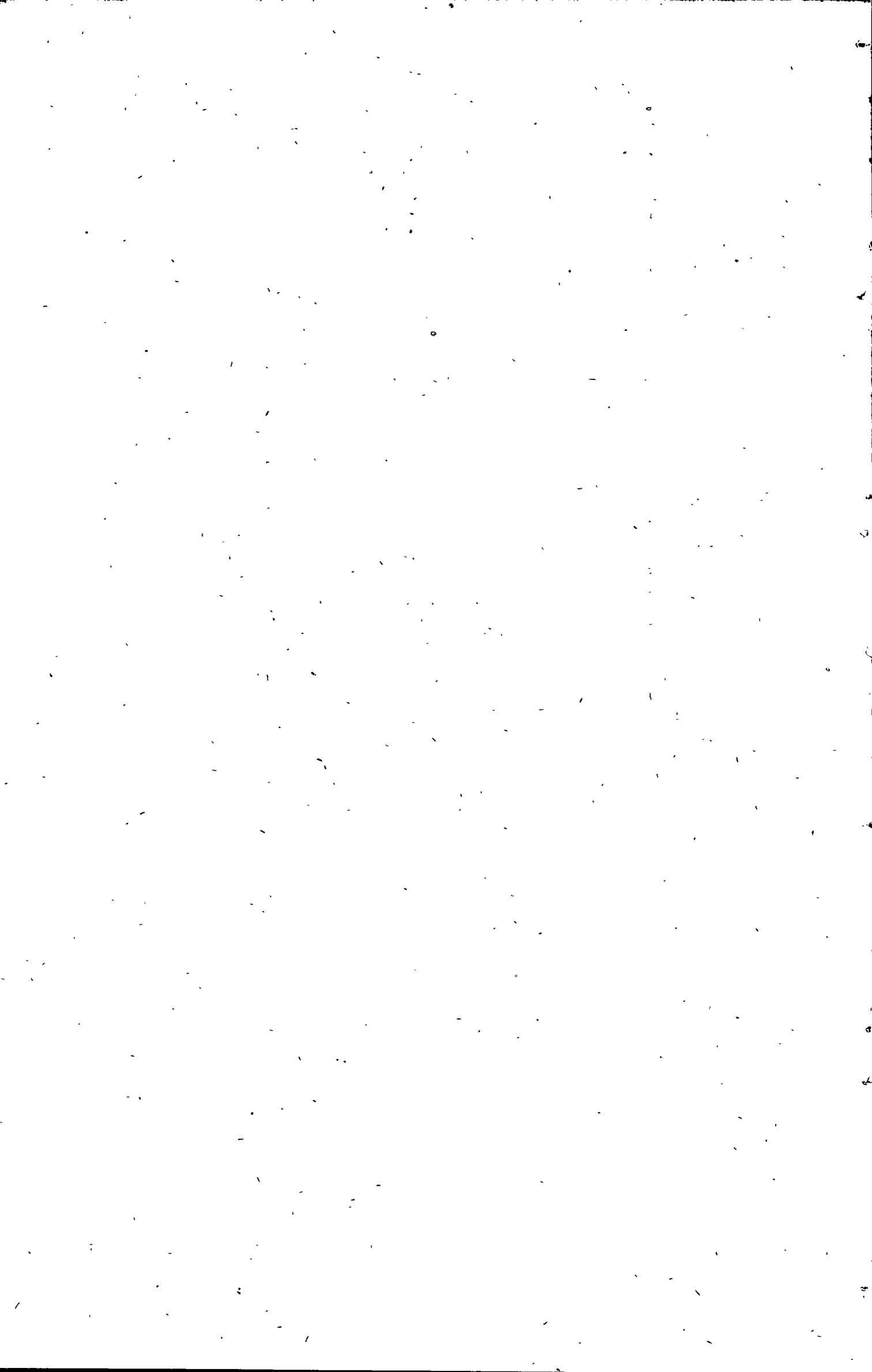
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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 7.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[7]

Consolidated Revenue Bill.—[14]

Education Law Amendment Bill.—New clauses by Mr. Richardson. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**.—Second reading.
4. **MARINE STORES DEALERS—LAWS-RELATING TO**.—To be considered in Committee.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST.

1. MR. DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the alteration in the Electoral law effected by the 73rd section of the "*Local Government Act 1874*," and to the manner in which the electoral rolls are made up; and to ask him if he can cause this section to be carried into effect.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 4.
Landlord and Tenant Statute Amendment Bill.—[15]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 8.
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2. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to that part of the Sessional Order which provides for Private Bill business being brought on on Wednesday before refreshment hour only, and to private members bringing in Public Bills on the same evening; and to ask whether further facilities will be afforded to the promoters of Private Bills for the passing of such measures through the House.
3. **MR. MASON:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the difficulty of complying with the conditions of the Land Act in the various parts of the Brandy Creek country, and to his refusal, in some instances, to grant leases; and to ask how he purposes dealing in future with applications from that district for leases and Crown grants.
4. **MR. LALOR:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to statements that have been made relative to interviews that have taken place between him and the representatives of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company; and to ask him if he will supply the House with the particulars of these interviews.
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8. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Emerald Hill Council to sell and purchase land and to erect municipal and other buildings and for other purposes,*" and that such Bill be now read a first time.
9. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Melbourne Benevolent Asylum Corporation to sell and otherwise deal with certain Land and the Buildings thereon situate in the County of Bourke and Parishes of North Melbourne and Jika Jika vested in such Corporation as an Asylum for the benefit of the afflicted or distressed inhabitants and sojourners for the time being of and in the City of Melbourne and for other purposes,*" and that such Bill be now read a first time.

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1. **BILLS OF SALE BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **PHARMACY BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

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THURSDAY, 3RD AUGUST.

1. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Minister of Justice to the desirability of establishing a Water Police Court in Sandridge, similar to the one existing in Sydney, and to a Petition presented by him during last Session on this subject ; and to ask whether he will take the necessary steps to establish such a Court in that borough.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 2nd August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 28TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 4.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 9.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[9]

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June 1877 ; with Supplementary Estimates 1875-6—Message. B.—No. 1. (Issue completed.)

• Bills of Sale Bill.—[17]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether, with the view of disseminating the mining information contained in the Reports of the Geological Survey of the Colony, he will give instructions that a copy of each Report be furnished to the several Free Libraries throughout the goldfields.
3. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the apprehension of drought in the farming districts, north of the Dividing Range; and to ask if he will undertake to devise measures, in concert with local bodies, for providing permanent watering places in convenient places before the season, when rain may be expected, is over.
4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the refusal of ballot-papers to persons whose names appeared on the ratepayers' roll at the recent Sandridge election, on the ground that such persons were not naturalized, and to the present electoral law on the qualification of electors; and to ask whether he will, in the Electoral Bill, provide for such cases.
5. **MR. MIRAMS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the case of the head master of the Associated Training Schools, Castlemaine, who has been fined at the local Police Court for unduly flogging one of his pupils; and to ask him what action he has taken, or intends taking, in the matter.
6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the projected removal of the Post Office at Armstrong's; and to ask him not to sanction such removal.
7. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether it is a fact that the women, now employed as gatekeepers on the Government lines of railway, at the rate of 4s. a day, have been reduced to 2s.
8. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands whether, in view of his bringing in an Amending Land Bill this Session, he will insert therein some provision in order to facilitate the issue of Crown Grants to 47th section (Novel Industries clause) holders.
9. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the difficulty of complying with the conditions of the Land Act in the various parts of the Brandy Creek country, and to his refusal, in some instances, to grant leases; and to ask how he purposes dealing in future with applications from that district for leases and Crown grants.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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2. **MR. MASON** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of any Reports that may be in the Lands Office with reference to the difficulty of complying with the conditions of fencing and cultivation under the present Land Act in the Brandy Creek district.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL**.—Second reading.
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7. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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2. **MR. LEVIEN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all correspondence with reference to the application for opening a road from the east bank of the Werribee to Ballan.
3. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.

4. **MR. CAMERON :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Second reading.

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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to absolutely abolish imprisonment for debt and distress for rent.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 3rd August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD AUGUST.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 10.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[10]

Order in Council—Land Act 1869—Admission Fees chargeable by Trustees, &c. No. 33.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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General Business.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH AUGUST.

- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 8 † and No. 11.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[11]
Pilot Board—Accounts of, for the Year ending 31st August 1875. No. 21.
Victorian Water Supply—Statement, &c. A.—No. 2.
Public Works Loan Act 1868—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 3. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Public Works Loan Act 1872—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 4. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Railway Loan Act 1873—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 5. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Railway Loan Act 1876—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 6. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 10TH AUGUST.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. CURTAIN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of money received by the Government from the sale of land north of Reilly street, and within the Municipal Districts of Melbourne, Fitzroy, and Collingwood.
2. MR. LANGTON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return giving a summary of the several returns furnished to the Treasury during the present year under "*The Local Government Act 1874.*"

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.

TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

1. MR. G. PATON SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the case of Mrs. Denbigh, the widow of an officer in the Mining Department ; and to ask if a sum of money will be placed on an Additional Estimate as a gratuity.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GAUNSON: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to absolutely abolish imprisonment for debt and distress for rent.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
2. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 9th August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH AUGUST.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 5.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 6.
 Justices of the Peace Bill.—[2]
 Juries Bill.—New Clause in lieu of Clause 70 to be proposed by Mr. Balfour. (To members of Council only.)
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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 12.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[12]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.
 Public Works Loan Act 1868—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 3. (Issue completed.)
 Public Works Loan Act 1872—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 4. (Issue completed.)
 Railway Loan Act 1873—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 5. (Issue completed.)
 Railway Loan Act 1876—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 6. (Issue completed.)
 Public Works Loan Act 1872—Estimate of Salaries, &c. A.—No. 7. (Issue completed.)
 University of Melbourne—Report, &c., for the Year ending 31st May 1876. No. 10.
 Hospitals for the Insane—Report, &c., for the Year ended 31st December 1875. No. 18.
 Order in Council—Mining operations on Land excepted therefrom at Castlemaine. No. 29.
 Order in Council—Polling-places for the Amherst division of the Maryborough Mining District. No. 30.
 Industrial and Reformatory Schools—Amendments of Regulations for Boarding-out Children. No. 32.
 Trade Marks Bill.—[3] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 10TH AUGUST 1876.

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2. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Minister of Justice to the desirability of establishing a Water Police Court in Sandridge, similar to the one existing in Sydney, and to a Petition presented by him during last Session on this subject; and to ask whether he will take the necessary steps to establish such a Court in that borough.
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1. GOVERNMENT POLICY.—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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General Business.

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1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
2. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That the Order for the further consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Pharmacy Bill be read and rescinded.
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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

1. MR. G. PATON SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the case of Mrs. Denbigh, the widow of an officer in the Mining Department; and to ask if a sum of money will be placed on an Additional Estimate as a gratuity.
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WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST.

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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 10th August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

Friday, 11th August.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH AUGUST.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 13.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13]
 Order in Council—Authority to mine on certain Lands at Sandhurst. No. 28.
 Payment of Members Act Repeal Bill.—[21]
 Colonial Attorneys Relief Bill.—[23]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. MR. MASON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the circular recently issued by the Government to Electoral Registrars, directing them to receive stamps instead of cash for all Electors' Rights issued after the 1st of July, and to the great public inconvenience thus caused; and to ask if he will have any objection to make some arrangement for the sale of stamps within a reasonable distance of the offices of Electoral and Deputy Electoral Registrars.
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Government Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

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2. MR. LANGTON : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Melbourne Benevolent Asylum Corporation to sell and otherwise deal with certain Land and the Buildings thereon situate in the County of Bourke and Parishes of North Melbourne and Jika Jika vested in such Corporation as an Asylum for the benefit of the afflicted or distressed inhabitants and sojourners for the time being of and in the City of Melbourne, and for other purposes,*" be referred to a Select Committee to consist of the following Members, viz., Mr. Coppin, Mr. Curtain, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Whiteman, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 11th August.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 15th August.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 16th August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PHARMACY BILL—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH AUGUST.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 14.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[14]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST 1876.

1. MR. WITT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to a promise made to this House, that an enquiry would be made as to the correctness of the charges made against Mr. Ogier, P.M., Wood's Point; and to ask whether any enquiry was held, if so, when; if not, whether any such enquiry will be held, and how soon.
2. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of the Government offering facilities for the opening up of the forest country between the Geelong and Colac Railway and the sea with light railways or tramways; and to ask if he will have any objection to cause the land required for the purpose to be reserved pending the consideration of the matter by Parliament.
3. MR. WITT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the generally expressed opposition by the local governing bodies to the Main Roads Maintenance Bill, and will ask him whether the Government intend to proceed with the measure; if not, will they bring in a Bill at an early date to authorize the collection of Tolls from 1st September next.

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 17TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, if his attention has been directed to a paragraph in the Ballarat papers of this day, where it is stated an inmate of the Benevolent Asylum, Ballarat, signed a transfer of 160 acres of land in Victoria to a squatter in Albany ; and if he will take the necessary steps to enquire into the matter.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 16th August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.
PHARMACY BILL—at three o'clock.

Friday, 18th August.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 22nd August.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

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Victorian Railways—Estimate, &c. A.—No. 8.

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13. **MR. FINCHAM** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the scarcity of trucks, and the inequality of the charges for the carriage of sheep between Ararat and Ballarat as compared with the rates, according to mileage, between Echuca and Melbourne ; and to ask if he will have the rates over all the lines equalized and sufficient rolling stock provided.

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TUESDAY, 22ND AUGUST.

1. MR. WITT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the generally expressed opposition by the local governing bodies to the Main Roads Maintenance Bill, and will ask him whether the Government intend to proceed with the measure ; if not, will they bring in a Bill at an early date to authorize the collection of Tolls from 1st September next.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
2. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLONIAL ATTORNEYS RELIEF BILL.—Second reading.
4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 24TH AUGUST

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STANDING ORDERS.—Report from Committee—To be taken into consideration.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH AUGUST.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COPPIN: To move, That the payment of all fees from time to time payable in respect of the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Bill, during its progress through this House, be not enforced.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 18th August.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 16.

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

Report from Select Committee upon Mr. McKean; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 1.—(To Members of Assembly only.)

Education Law Amendment Bill.—Amendment by Mr. Walker. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. MR. GODFREY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the advisableness of affording this House the earliest opportunity of deciding what new lines of railway shall be constructed ; and to ask him when the Government will introduce their scheme dealing with this matter.
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5. MR. MASON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of State schools at Drouin East and Drouin Junction ; and to ask if he will provide the necessary buildings.
6. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to what extent the children in State schools have availed themselves of religious instruction after school hours.
7. MR. WALKER : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the necessity for increased police protection at the leading football matches ; and to ask if he will cause an adequate force to be present at such matches for the future.
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WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST.

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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 18th August.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 22nd August.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 23rd August.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PHARMACY BILL—at two o'clock.

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Report from Select Committee upon Mr. McKean; with Proceedings of Committee and

Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 1. (Issue completed.)

Public Works Loan Application Bill.—[24]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD. AUGUST 1876.

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Minister representing the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will retain the invoices belonging to Messrs. L. Stevenson and Sons now in possession of the department, pending the decision of the House on the appointment of a Select Committee.
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1. MR. KERFERD : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Local Government Act 1874.*"

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Wednesday, 23rd August.

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Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 30th June 1876. No. 26.
Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—[4]
Criminal Cases Appeal Bill.—[25] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Education Law Amendment Bill.—New Clause proposed by Mr. MacBain. (Amendment by Mr. Walker.) (To Members of Assembly only.)
Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Casey. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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1. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is intended to introduce a Marine Board Bill.
2. MR. S. FRASER: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the totally inadequate accommodation at the Echuca wharf; and to ask that provision be made for an extension of the same.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HARBOR TRUSTS.—Message of His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 24th August.

THE COLONIAL BANK OF AUSTRALASIA BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 THE AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

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 THE BILLS OF SALE BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 STANDING ORDERS—At three o'clock.

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THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—At eleven o'clock.
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Thursday, 31st August.

THE MELBOURNE BENEVOLENT ASYLUM BILL—At eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH AUGUST.

Public Works Loan Account Application Bill.—[24] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 19.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[19]

Robert Berth—Return. C.—No. 1.

First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders. D.—No. 2. (Issue completed.)

Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict. cap. 55, during the Year 1875-6. No. 35.

Education Act amendment Bill.—[5] As reported 23rd August. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Criminal Cases Appeal Bill.—[25] (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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6. MR. MIRAMS: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the fact that the law courts are closed against Mr. W. R. Meriy, inasmuch as His Honor Mr. Justice Fellows and His Honor Mr. Justice Stephen, having been retained in his case prior to their elevation to the Bench, have refused to adjudicate upon the same, and that His Honor the Chief Justice, Sir William Stawell, having practically reversed the decree of the Privy Council, cannot now review his own judgment; and to ask the Honorable the Premier, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, whether he will consent to submit the same to a Committee of this House or to Mr. Holroyd for final settlement.
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11. MR. LOCK: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the promise made in October 1874, by the then Minister, to place on the Estimates for 1875 a sum of money for the purpose of subsidizing local bodies who might be prepared to construct water supply works on a limited scale in country districts; and to ask whether he will carry out that promise by bringing down a sum on an Additional Estimate.
12. MR. G. PATON SMITH: To ask the Honorable Member for Brighton, Mr. Bent, whether it is his intention to bring before this House the Report of the Board appointed to enquire into certain concessions of State lands granted to the Chevalier Bruno, by the late Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Honorable J. J. Casey.
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Government Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
2. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, *upon going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable for the future welfare of this country that the further alienation of Crown lands should be suspended until this House has had an opportunity of reviewing and considering the past land legislation, and ascertaining whether the avowed object of such legislation, viz., the settlement of a *bonâ fide* agricultural population upon the lands, has been achieved or otherwise.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 29th August.

THE EMERALD HILL COUNCIL BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 THE BILLS OF SALE BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 THE COLONIAL BANK OF AUSTRALASIA BILL—At twelve o'clock.
 STANDING ORDERS—At three o'clock.
 PRINTING—At half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 30th August.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—At eleven o'clock.
 MR. EATON—At two o'clock.
 PHARMACY BILL—At three o'clock.

Thursday, 31st August.

THE MELBOURNE BENEVOLENT ASYLUM BILL—At eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH AUGUST:

Rights and Easements Bill.—[18] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 20.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[20]

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st March 1876. A.—No. 1.

Land Act—Selections at Brandy Creek—Return. C.—No. 2.

Central College of Agriculture—Return. C.—No. 3. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums on the Hospitals for the Insane, for the Year ended 31st December 1874. No. 17.

Twelfth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines in the Colony of Victoria No. 25.

Old Metal Dealers Bill.—[10] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH AUGUST 1876.

1. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the necessity for appointing additional polling places at Drouin Junction and Lardner, South Gippsland ; and to ask if he will take early steps to have the matter attended to.
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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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THURSDAY, 31ST AUGUST.

1. **MR. GRANT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the Sandhurst and Inglewood Railway will be opened for traffic.
2. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the refusal of the certifying barrister of Friendly Societies to certify to the rules of the Horsham Total Abstinence Society ; and to ask if he will take steps to have the law so altered that the certificate of one law officer of the Crown will be sufficient compliance with the law.
3. **SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If the distribution of electors in the proposed electorates has not, in some cases, been made by subdividing shires into new and arbitrary divisions.
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General Business.

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1. **MR. S. FRASER** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the want of punctuality in the Telegraph Department respecting the despatch of messages ; and to ask that steps be taken to remedy the inconvenience and loss to the public.

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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 30th August.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—At eleven o'clock.
MR. EATON—At two o'clock.
PHARMACY BILL—At three o'clock.

Thursday, 31st August.

THE MELBOURNE BENEVOLENT ASYLUM BILL—At eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 5th September.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—At eleven o'clock.
EMERALD HILL COUNCIL BILL—At two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 25TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 8.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
Rights and Easements Bill.—[18] (Issue completed.)
Rights and Easements Bill.—New clause to be proposed by Mr. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 21.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[21]
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.
Harbor Trusts.—Message. B.—No. 2.
Central College of Agriculture—Return. C.—No. 3. (Issue completed.)
Old Metal Dealers Bill.—[10] (Issue completed.)
Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[26]
Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Munro. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Bill.—From Select Committee. (*Private.*)
Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Bill; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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9. **MR. MIRAMS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the judgment delivered by His Honor the Chief Justice, Sir William Stawell, sitting in banco, dated the 7th September 1867, in reference to the decree of the Privy Council, dated the 1st February 1866 ; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he has any objection to name the three Judges referred to by the Chief Justice, Sir William Stawell, in his report submitted to the House on Tuesday last, in the case of *Merry v. the Queen* ; also whether he will consent to submit the same to a Committee of this House, to Mr. Holroyd, or to arbitration, for final settlement.
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11. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the necessity for appointing additional polling places at Drouin Junction and Lardner, South Gippsland ; and to ask if he will take early steps to have the matter attended to.
12. **MR. BENT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to a report that a large number of political prisoners are about to be released from New Caledonia ; and to ask him whether he intends to take any steps in the matter.
13. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the Report presented to the House on the 22nd instant, relative to the difficulty of complying with the conditions of the Land Act in the various parts of the Brandy Creek country, and to his refusal, in some instances, to grant leases ; and to ask how he proposes dealing in future with applications from that district for leases and Crown grants.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of the selectors in Boort.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. STANDING ORDERS.—Report from Committee—To be taken into consideration.
6. TRADE MARKS BILL.—Third reading.
7. OLD METAL DEALERS BILL.—Second reading.
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8. MR. LANGTON: To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
9. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount received by Sir William Stawell during the time he was Acting Governor of Victoria, including his salary as Chief Justice.
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TUESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. RAMSAY** : To move, That the Petition from the Articled Law Clerks, presented to this House 30th August last, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill for the Relief of Colonial Attorneys.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
2. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That the payment of all fees from time to time payable in respect of the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Bill, during its progress through this House, be not enforced.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Report from Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
2. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—Second reading.
3. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
4. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
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3. MR. MACDERMOTT: To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, clauses constituting the University of Melbourne an electorate, with a right to return one member to the Legislative Assembly.
4. MR. KING: To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, an amendment having for its object that Footscray be formed into a district having one member.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 31st August.

THE MELBOURNE BENEVOLENT ASYLUM BILL—At eleven o'clock.
THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—At eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 5th September.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—At eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 31st AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
Assize Courts and General Sessions—Trials at.—Return. A 1.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[22]

Order in Council—Land Act 1869—Additional Regulation. No. 37.

Inquest Law Amendment Bill.—[1] (To Members of Assembly only.)

County Court Statute 1869 Amendment Bill.—[22] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Local Government Act 1874 Amendment Bill.—[26] As re-reported 31st August. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Colonial Wine Licensees Law Amendment Bill.—[27] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clause by Mr. Connor. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clause by Major W. C. Smith. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper, referring to the right of naturalized aliens to obtain electors' rights, and to his statement on the same subject made in this House ; and to ask if his view of the law be correct will he give instructions to Electoral Registrars to issue such rights ; and, if his view be wrong, will he object to a clause being inserted in the Electoral Bill to enable such rights to be issued.
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WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 5th September.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—At eleven o'clock.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—At four o'clock.

Wednesday, 6th September.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at ten o'clock.

MR. EATON—At two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1ST SEPTEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 10.

Justices of the Peace Bill.—[2] As reported 31st August: (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[23]

Inquests Bill.—[1] (Issue completed.)

Old Metal Dealers Bill.—[10] As reported 31st August. (To Members of Assembly only.)

County Court Statute Amendment Bill.—[22] (Issue completed.)

Colonial Wine Licensees Bill.—[27] (Issue completed.)

Colonial Bank of Australasia, Continuation of Powers Bill.—From Select Committee. (*Private.*)

Education Law Amendment Bill.—New Clauses by Mr. Ramsay. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Amendment by Mr. Langridge. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER 1876.

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER.

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TUESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. GARRATT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it be correct that tenders have been invited or accepted for the supply of Volunteer uniform from English material only, instead of using Victorian tweeds.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.

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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 6th September.

- THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at ten o'clock.
MR. EATON—At two o'clock.
THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS RELIEF BILL—at four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1st SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 10.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 11.

Rights and Easements Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Hon. J. A. Wallace. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 24.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 3.

Old Metal Dealers Bill.—Amendments to be moved on Third Reading, by Mr. Kerferd. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the Colonial Bank of Australasia Continuation of Powers Bill; together with the Proceedings of the Committee. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 7TH SEPTEMBER.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 11.
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- Notes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 25.
Second of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[25]
Second Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders. D.—No. 4.

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER 1876.

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1. MR. MASON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the published complaints in the *Gippsland Mercury*, relative to the delay (which in some instances exceeds twelve months) in the survey of selections at Moe, Brandy Creek, and other parts of Gippsland; and to ask if he will take immediate steps to have the surveys effected.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 13th September.

MR. EATON—At two o'clock.

Thursday, 14th September.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at eleven o'clock.

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- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 12.
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 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.
 Justices of the Peace Bill.—[2] As reported 6th September. (To Members of Council only.)
 Rights and Easements Bill.—[18] As reported 6th September. (To Members of Council only.)
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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 26.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[26]
 Public Works Loan Act 1872—Water Supply.—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 15. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Report from Select Committee on the Pharmacy Bill; with Proceedings of Committee. D.—No. 3.
 Orders in Council—Polling-places for the Dunolly Division of the Maryborough Mining District. Nos. 38 and 39.
 Order in Council—Regulation under the Land Act 1869. No. 42.
 Chevalier Bruno—Report, &c. No. 41.
 Electoral Act Amendment Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Hanna. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Amendment by Mr. Woods. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH SEPTEMBER.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 27.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[27]

Public Works Loan Act 1872—Water Supply.—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 15. (Issue completed.)

Workmen's Lien Bill.—[29]

Pharmacy Bill.—New clauses by Mr. Johnstone. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clause by Mr. Colin Campbell. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clauses to be proposed by Mr. MacDermott. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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6. MR. S. FRASER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the Railway Construction Bill will be introduced.
7. MR. GRANT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to a letter addressed to him upwards of a fortnight ago, by the Inglewood Borough Council, respecting the inequalities in the freights of wool on the Sandhurst and Inglewood Railway, as published in the *Government Gazette* of the 18th ultimo ; and to ask him whether he will take steps to remedy the apparent mistake.
8. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the Geelong and Colac railway is likely to be completed, and when it will be opened for traffic to Winchelsea and Birregurra.
9. MR. BENT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the fact that, persons employed at the Government workshops, Williamstown, are permitted to travel on the railway at 7s. 6d. per month, while persons employed by private persons are charged 15s. per month ; and to ask whether he will in future make a uniform charge.
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1. MR. LOCK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence between Mr. Wilcox and the Government relative to his improved system of constructing steamships.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. OLD METAL DEALERS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
5. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Second reading.
7. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
8. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.
9. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £1000 on an Additional Estimate as a national recognition of the unexampled bravery and daring skill and seamanship exhibited by the master of the barque "*Albert Williams*," in rescuing a number of passengers and crew of the steamer "*Dandenong*."
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3. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the length of main roads in cities, towns, boroughs, and shires, and the amount contributed by the Government during the last ten years to each district.
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THURSDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. LEVIEN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the costliness of audits under the Local Government Act; and to ask if the Government will take some step to lessen the cost of such audits.

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8. MR. HOPKINS: To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, amendments in boundaries of the Electoral Districts of Barwon and Polwarth and South Grenville.

C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 15th September.

BILLS OF SALE BILL—at eleven o'clock.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 13.

Supreme Court Jurisdiction and Procedure Bill.—[20] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 28.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[28]

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clause by Mr. Duffy. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Pharmacy Bill.—Amendment by Mr. Garratt. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER 1876.

1. MR. LONGMORE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to certain names that have been reported as having been added to the council of the Free Trade League, namely, E. P. S. Sturt and F. T. W. Ford ; and to ask whether the first named is a police magistrate, and the second a medical officer of the police force ; and, if so, whether they have the sanction of the Government for their proceedings, as reported.
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3. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading.
5. PHARMACY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—Second reading.
7. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
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 (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
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THURSDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER.

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 (5.) The total number of able-bodied prisoners in the colony fit for navy work.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. COPPIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the replies given on the subject of Military drill in the public schools of the colony ; and to ask if Colonel Anderson has made any suggestions with a view to the adoption of a system of drill capable of general application ; if so, what action has been taken.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
2. MR. TUCKER : To move, *upon going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable for the future welfare of this country that the further alienation of Crown lands should be suspended until this House has had an opportunity of reviewing and considering the past land legislation, and ascertaining whether the avowed object of such legislation, viz., the settlement of a *bonâ fide* agricultural population upon the lands, has been achieved or otherwise.
3. MR. KING : To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, an amendment having for its object that Footscray be formed into a district having one member.
4. MR. PATTERSON : To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Bill*, That the Second Schedule be amended by allotting three Members to the Castlemaine district.
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8. MR. HOPKINS : To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, amendments in boundaries of the Electoral Districts of Barwon and Polwarth and South Grenville.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 20th, September.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at eleven o'clock.
THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS RELIEF BILL—at four o'clock.

Tuesday, 26th September.

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Wednesday, 27th September.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 15TH SEPTEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 14.
Supreme Court Jurisdiction and Procedure Bill.—[20] (Issue completed.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 29.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[29]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 4.

Consolidated Revenue Bill (2).—[30]

Cemeteries Act Amendment Bill.—[31]

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New clause to be moved by Mr. MacBain, and Amendments to be moved by Mr. Campbell, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Mason, and Major W. C. Smith. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Emerald Hill Council Bill. From Select Committee. (*Private.*) (To Members of both Houses.)

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Education Law Amendment Bill.—[5] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[30]

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Petition. E.—No. 1.

Order in Council.—Polling-place for the St. Andrew's Division of the Castlemaine Mining District. No. 43.

Friendly Societies.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the working of the Friendly Societies Statute ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices. No. 44.

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Hanna. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER 1876.

1. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the application made some time ago for the erection of a school in Kulkee, where there are about 54 children within school ages ; and to ask when steps will be taken to supply the want.
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3. **MR. LONGMORE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the fact that a three-chain road in the area of Francisford, alongside the selection of Patrick Walsh, has been closed ; and to ask what he intends to do under the circumstances.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the present condition of the Albert Park Lagoon, and the desirability of its completion ; and to ask at what date the contract for the erection of the pumping engine will terminate, and when the water supply will be available.
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6. **MR. BENT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the crowded state of the cemeteries in and around Melbourne ; and to ask him if he is willing to reserve a sufficient area of land adjacent to one of the lines of railway to appropriate for cemetery purposes.
7. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the fact that the sheep in this colony have been clean for the last two years ; and to ask if he will be prepared to claim from the New South Wales Government the right of free passage for sheep from this colony into New South Wales at the end of this year, subject only to inspection.
8. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the recent action of the Lands department in relation to the sites occupied by tenants of the Crown on the banks of the Yarra, and to the consequences resulting therefrom ; and to ask whether he will appoint a Board to take evidence as to the value of such sites, and as to the action and promises of former Ministers and Permanent Heads of the department, with reference to the said sites and Crown tenants.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The cost per head per annum of prisoners of the Crown in the various gaols of the colony, specifying each gaol separately.
 - (2.) The cost of construction and maintenance of each gaol to date, with 6 per cent. interest added.
 - (3.) Relative number of prisoners and officers in each gaol ; average of five years.
 - (4.) The work done by prisoners and its estimated value, specifying work both inside and outside of each gaol, goods sold, and amounts paid and owing by the various local bodies for prison labor.
 - (5.) The total number of able-bodied prisoners in the colony fit for navy work.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **INQUESTS BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.**—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
7. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **MINING AND PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.

2. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
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1. MR. LEVIEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the costliness of audits under the Local Government Act ; and to ask if the Government will take some step to lessen the cost of such audits.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 14.

Report from Select Committee of Legislative Assembly upon Colonial Bank of Australasia Continuation of Powers Bill; with Proceedings of Committee. (*Private.*) (To Members of Council only.)Colonial Bank of Australasia Continuation of Powers Bill. (*Private.*) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 31.

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3. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the case of *Wilson v. Redwood*, in the Sandridge Police Court, reported in the *Age*-newspaper of Tuesday, 26th instant ; and to ask him to make enquiries into the same.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to a circular issued by Mr. Graham Mitchell, containing charges and statements against the Chief Inspector of Stock, of a damaging character to that gentleman ; and to ask whether he intends to allow these statements and charges to go unchallenged, or whether he will appoint a Board to inquire into them.
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8. **MR. BENT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the crowded state of the cemeteries in and around Melbourne ; and to ask him if he is willing to reserve a sufficient area of land adjacent to one of the lines of railway to appropriate for cemetery purposes.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
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5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Passengers Harbors and Navigation Statute 1865.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
2. **CEMETERIES ACT-AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
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5. **COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.**—Second reading.
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Government Business.

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5. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.**—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
6. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

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 - (2.) The amount contributed by the Local Bodies.
 - (3.) The cost of erecting Johnston street Bridge with extras to date.
 - (4.) And the amount paid to contractor up to date.
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 - (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
25. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
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THURSDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the costliness of audits under the Local Government Act; and to ask if the Government will take some step to lessen the cost of such audits.
2. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the delay in the publication of the Year Book, 1875; and to ask him to expedite its issue.
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6. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the recent action of the Lands department in relation to the sites occupied by tenants of the Crown on the banks of the Yarra, and to the consequences resulting therefrom; and to ask whether he will appoint a Board to take evidence as to the value of such sites, and as to the action and promises of former Ministers and Permanent Heads of the department, with reference to the said sites and Crown tenants.

TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will furnish an estimate of the cost of arming with the rifle, and drilling to the practice of that weapon, 10,000 men residing within easy reach of the various railway stations ; secondly, the cost and time it would take to render the entrance into Hobson's Bay impossible to all vessels of over 500 tons register.
2. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the fact that the whole of the shipping intelligence is not posted at the Geelong office ; and to ask if he will instruct that, in future, it shall be.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**.—Motion for going into Committee and amendment thereon—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all contracts, exceeding the sum of £2,000, entered into by, or on behalf of, the Public Works department since the 1st day of January 1866, showing :—

- (1.) The departmental estimate of the cost of the work.
- (2.) The amount of the accepted contract.
- (3.) The total amount paid for the work completed.

When one work has been let in several portions, the several amounts, as indicated above, to be added together, and the totals shown.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PHARMACY BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **BILLS OF SALE BILL**.—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
2. **MR. KING** : To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, an amendment having for its object that Footscray be formed into a district having one member.
3. **MR. COPE** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Petition of Mary Anne McGregor, of Violet Creek, near Hamilton, presented to this House on the 30th August last, be taken into consideration.
4. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
5. **MR. LOCK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 27th September.

THE COLLINGWOOD GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at half-past eleven o'clock.

MR. EATON—at two o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

THE MELBOURNE BENEVOLENT ASYLUM SALE BILL—at four o'clock.

Wednesday, 4th October.

THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS' RELIEF BILL—at half-past one o'clock.

WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND SEPTEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 15.

Old Metal Dealers Bill.—[10] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[32]

Kilmany Park Land Sale—Return. C.—No. 4. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Statistical Register for 1875—Part V. Production. No. 27.

Bills of Sale Bill.—[17] As reported from Select Committee. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Payment of Members Act Amendment Bill.—[32]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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12. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to the case of Wilson v. Redwood, in the Sandridge Police Court, reported in the *Age* newspaper of Tuesday, 26th instant ; and to ask him to make enquiries into the same.
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TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

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 (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
2. MR. PURVES : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide redress for words imputing unchastity to a female.

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2. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.
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4. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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WEDNESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

*Wednesday, 4th October.*THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS' RELIEF BILL—at half-past one o'clock.
WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at four o'clock.*Thursday, 5th October.*

MR. EATON—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 15.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 16.
 Education Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. Sir Charles Sladen. (To Members of Council only.)
 Rights and Easements Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 33.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[33]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 5.
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4. MR. DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the circumstances under which he refused to forfeit lease No. 1641, Beechworth, near Alexandra ; and to ask him if he will reconsider his decision.
5. MR. PURVES : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the fact that the contractors for the second section of the Gippsland Railway are entering upon certain lands in the neighbourhood of Pakenham, and are proceeding with the formation of the permanent way without first fencing in the line of railway, to the great loss, damage, and inconvenience of the owners and occupiers of the said lands ; and to ask if he will take immediate steps to rectify the said grievance, and to prevent the contractors from continuing their said actions.
6. MR. LEVIEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the costliness of audits under the Local Government Act ; and to ask if the Government will take some step to lessen the cost of such audits.
7. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the recent action of the Lands department in relation to the sites occupied by tenants of the Crown on the banks of the Yarra, and to the consequences resulting therefrom ; and to ask whether he will appoint a Board to take evidence as to the value of such sites, and as to the action and promises of former Ministers and Permanent Heads of the department, with reference to the said sites and Crown tenants.
8. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the long, zealous, and faithful services to the Government of the late William Thacker, who was Postmaster at Geelong and Ballarat for nearly thirty years, and to point out that had he lived three months longer he would have been entitled to a retiring pension ; and to ask if, under these circumstances, some provision will be made for his widow.
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When one work has been let in several portions, the several amounts, as indicated above, to be added together, and the totals shown.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR JAMES McCULLOCH : To move, That the Sessional Order appointing the days of meeting of the Assembly be read ; and that this House do meet for the transaction of business on Monday in each week ; that the hour of meeting be four o'clock ; that Government business take precedence on such day ; and that no fresh business (except the postponement of business on the paper) be called on after eleven o'clock p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—Motion for going into Committee and amendment thereon—Resumption of debate.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Second reading.
4. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
5. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
6. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee.—To be taken into consideration.
7. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.
8. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
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2. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
3. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
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7. MR. HUNT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
8. MR. LALOR : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
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THURSDAY, 5TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to his observations with reference to the American Consul ; and to ask him what authority there is to interfere with the shipping of the United States of America.
2. MR. HOPKINS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands if he will recommend that a sum be placed upon the Estimates to recoup the Department for the expenses of the re-surveys incurred in certain cases.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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Tuesday, 3rd October.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 34.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[34]

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—[7] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER 1876.

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the following paragraph in the *Ballarat Courier*:—"We learn upon high analytical authority that the probable cause of scarlet fever and similar epidemics in Melbourne will be found in the Yan Yean water, which, owing to insufficient filtration, contains the germs of disease in the vegetable matter that finds its way into the reservoir. If this be true, it is a very serious matter, and probably applies to Ballarat as well as Melbourne. It would be well if the Ballarat water were subjected to searching analysis, so that if the same disease-engendering germs be found in it, extra pains may be taken in the formation of the filter beds at the Gong Gong. It appears that this important subject has recently engaged the attention of scientific men in England, and it has been discovered that filter-beds of ordinary construction fail in their purpose after a few years' use, and that sponge-iron is about the only effectual filter known. If to our water supply we have to attribute the ravages of a disease that for many months has baffled the best of medical skill and local enquiry as to its origin, it would be well if steps were immediately taken to procure a thoroughly reliable analysis of the water which we drink;" and to ask if steps will be taken to have samples of the water from the Yan Yean and the Ballarat reservoirs analysed.
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3. MR. HANNA: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the annual report of the Victorian Railways will be furnished to this House, as provided by law.
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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PURVES: To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—Report of Select Committee.—To be considered in Committee.
3. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—Second reading.
7. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
8. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KERFERD: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Local Governing Bodies Loan Act 1872,*" and to amend "*An Act to amend 'The Local Governing Bodies Loan Act 1872.'*"

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12. **MR. LANGRIDGE :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
13. **MR. W. CLARKE :** To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
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15. **MR. LANGTON :** To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.

16. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount received by Sir William Stawell during the time he was Acting Governor of Victoria, including his salary as Chief Justice.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
18. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
19. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended; showing each vote separately.
20. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
21. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The amount of the Parliamentary Vote towards the cost of erecting Johnston street Bridge still unexpended.
 - (2.) The amount contributed by the Local Bodies.
 - (3.) The cost of erecting Johnston street Bridge with extras to date.
 - (4.) And the amount paid to contractor up to date.
22. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
23. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
24. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
25. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the Government have failed in their duty by not taking some immediate steps to prevent the national calamity with which we are threatened, namely, the destruction of Hobson's Bay, by the rapid silting-up which is at present taking place.
26. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life; the ages of such prisoners; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

THURSDAY, 5TH OCTOBER.

1. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to his observations with reference to the American Consul; and to ask him what authority there is to interfere with the shipping of the United States of America.
2. **MR. HOPKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands if he will recommend that a sum be placed upon the Estimates to recoup the Department for the expenses of the re-surveys incurred in certain cases.
3. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the practice of washing out sheep trucks on Sundays; and to ask him if he will take prompt steps to put a stop to such wanton desecration of the weekly day of rest.
4. **MR. COPE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the sale of certain land at Hamilton, situate on the Violet Creek run, near Branxholme, on the 12th ult., and which forms the subject of the petition of Miss Mary Anne McGregor, presented to this House, and is (according to notice) awaiting discussion; and to ask him if he will revoke the sale of the said land until the said petition has been brought before, and dealt with by this House.
5. **SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the subject of mining leases at Walhalla; and to ask whether he intends to consent to the consolidation of the leases held by the Bank of Victoria.
6. **MR. LANGTON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the 76th Section of the Act No. 289, which requires the Board of Land and Works to furnish to the Governor in Council in the month of February of each year, a report of its proceedings in regard to Railways during the preceding year, which report is to be laid before Parliament within thirty days of the commencement of its next Session, and to the fact that Parliament has now been in session three months and the report referred to for the year 1875 has not yet been presented; and to ask when the report will be presented, and whether he will see that the law is strictly adhered to in the future.

7. **MR. CONNOR:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of placing a sufficient sum on the Estimates for 1876-7 to provide a reward for the inventor of the best mechanical reaper and binder, to be tried in the harvest-field this year by judges appointed by the different Agricultural Societies, under regulations to be approved by the Government; and to ask him if he sees any objection to carry out this suggestion.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing all Sunday traffic on the Victorian lines during the twelve months last past, together with the total number of persons employed, the wages paid, and the money earned by the Department during the same period on Sundays.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER.

Private Bills and Motions relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
2. **MR. KING:** To move, *in Committee on the Electoral Act Amendment Bill*, an amendment having for its object that Footscray be formed into a district having one member.
3. **MR. COPE:** To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Petition of Mary Anne McGregor, of Violet Creek, near Hamilton, presented to this House on the 30th August last, be taken into consideration.
4. **MR. CAMPBELL:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
5. **MR. LOCK:** To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
6. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH:** To move, *on the Workmen's Lien Bill being read a second time*, That it be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Munro, Mr. James, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES:

Wednesday, 4th October.

THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS' RELIEF BILL—at half-past one o'clock.
WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at four o'clock.
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at four o'clock.

Thursday, 5th October.

MR. EATON—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 16.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 17.
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.
Standing Orders Committee—Report. D 1.
Old Metal Dealers Bill.—[10] As reported 3rd October. (To Members of Council only.)
Supreme Court Bill.—New clause and amendment proposed by Sir C. Sladen. (To Members of Council only.)
Emerald Hill Council Sale and Purchase of Land Bill. (*Private.*) From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
Report from Select Committee of Legislative Assembly upon Emerald Hill Council Bill, with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*) From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 35.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[35]
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 6.
Railway Loan Act 1876—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 16. (To Members of Assembly only.)
J. K. Baird's Application *in re* Lake Burrumbeet.—Report, &c. No. 45.
Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1875-6. No. 46. (To Members of both Houses.)
Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—[7] (Issue completed.)
Report from Select Committee on the Bills of Sale Bill; together with the Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 5. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company's Extension of Powers Bill.—From Select Committee. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

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NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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2. MR. COPE: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Petition of Mary Anne McGregor, of Violet Creek, near Hamilton, presented to this House on the 30th August last, be taken into consideration.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 5th October.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 17.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[36]

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for Quarter ended 30th June 1876.
A.—No. 14.

Railway Loan Act 1876.—An Estimate, &c. A.—No. 16. (Issue completed.)

Report from Select Committee on the Bills of Sale Bill; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 5. (Issue completed.)

Melbourne Observatory.—Eleventh Report of the Board of Visitors, &c., for year ended 30th June 1876. No. 31.

Local Governing Bodies Loan Act Amendment Bill.—[34] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Females Protection Bill.—[35] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER 1876.

1. MR. PATTERSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the insufficiency of railway communication with Essendon ; and to ask if the Government will offer something like the same facilities and advantages to the suburbs of Flemington and Essendon that are enjoyed by the inhabitants supplied by the Hobson's Bay Railway Company.
2. MR. MUNRO : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) Is it true, as reported in the daily press, that the negotiations for the purchase of the Melbourne and Suburban Railway have terminated.
 - (2.) When will the Railway Construction Bill be introduced.
3. SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the subject of mining leases at Walkhalla ; and to ask whether he intends to consent to the consolidation of the leases held by the Bank of Victoria.
4. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of placing a sufficient sum on the Estimates for 1876-7 to provide a reward for the inventor of the best mechanical reaper and binder, to be tried in the harvest-field this year by judges appointed by the different Agricultural Societies, under regulations to be approved by the Government ; and to ask him if he sees any objection to carry out this suggestion.
5. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the recent action of the Lands department in relation to the sites occupied by tenants of the Crown on the banks of the Yarra, and to the consequences resulting therefrom ; and to ask whether he will appoint a Board to take evidence as to the value of such sites, and as to the action and promises of former Ministers and Permanent Heads of the department, with reference to the said sites and Crown tenants.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing all Sunday traffic on the Victorian lines during the twelve months last past, together with the total number of persons employed, the wages paid, and the money earned by the Department during the same period on Sundays.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1876, No. 531.—Resolution to be reported.
2. ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Second reading.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
6. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
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8. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
9. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.—Second reading.
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General Business.

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1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 18.

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1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **PHARMACY BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. **CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
7. **WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. **COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.**—Second reading.
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Government Business.

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23. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
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 (1.) The amount of the Parliamentary Vote towards the cost of erecting Johnston street Bridge still unexpended.
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25. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
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 (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
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 (3.) The nature of the offence.
 (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
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28. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the Government have failed in their duty by not taking some immediate steps to prevent the national calamity with which we are threatened, namely, the destruction of Hobson's Bay, by the rapid silting-up which is at present taking place.
29. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

THURSDAY, 12TH OCTOBER.

1. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the fact that previous Governments have promised to run Sunday trains, if it could be shown the same would pay ; and to ask if he will try the experiment during the summer months, to enable the inhabitants of Melbourne to visit the country, &c.
2. **MR. MACBAIN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if it is the intention of his department to comply with the prayer of the petition, presented in March last, for the establishment of telegraphic communication between Harrow, Edenhope, and Apsley.
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WEDNESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **BILLS OF SALE BILL**.—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the late sale of certain allotments of land in the district of Williamstown, formerly temporarily reserved for quarrying purposes ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Tucker, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Cook, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
2. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
3. **MR. LOCK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 11th October.

THE COLONIAL ATTORNEYS' RELIEF BILL—at half-past one o'clock.

MR. EATON—at three o'clock.

Friday, 13th October.

WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—Meeting to be held at the Ranges.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 6TH OCTOBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 19.

Local Governing Bodies Loan Acts Amendment Bill.—[34] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 38.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[38]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 7.

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1875-6. No. 46. (Issue completed.)

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—Amendment by Mr. Johnstone. (To members of Assembly only.)

Report from Select Committee upon the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company's Extension of Powers Bill ; with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. (Private.)

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER.

1. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the 19th clause of the Report of the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to take immediate action to resume possession of the temporary reserves on Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Commissioners.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 13th October.

WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—Meeting to be held at the Ranges.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 39.

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

Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—New Clauses. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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5. **MR. GODFREY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice—
 - (1.) If two gentlemen, Messrs. W. H. Wilson, Merriang, and J. G. Pearson, of Cragieburn, were written to some time ago, and asked if they would allow their names to be placed in the Commission of the Peace, and for what bailiwick ; and, if so, whether an affirmative reply has been received from them, and whether the Minister has taken any action.
 - (2.) Whether he has received a petition from certain inhabitants of Beveridge, asking that Mr. E. Wright might be placed in the Commission of the Peace, and what action he has taken upon it.
6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the projected appeal to the Privy Council in Major Bell's case, whereby the sum of £15,000 duty claimed by Government is jeopardised ; and to ask him whether it is intended to amend the law so as to enable the Government to obtain this sum.
7. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to a request made by the Wimmera Shire Council to postpone the closing of the mails at Horsham, for Melbourne, from 7.30 p.m. to 6 a.m. ; and to ask if he will grant the request, which will be a great convenience to the residents in the district.
8. **MR. JOHNSTONE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he will cause a copy of the evidence taken by the Royal Commission, appointed to enquire into the working of Friendly Societies, and also a copy of their Report, to be forwarded to each of the several Orders in the colony.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the delay which has taken place in making the promised siding at Armstrongs ; and to ask him when the work will be carried out.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **ELECTORAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Consideration of Report
2. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.**—Second reading.
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6. **INQUESTS BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.**—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
9. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
2. **MR. BENT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the duty upon iron, gas, and water pipes is burdensome and mischievous, and should be abolished.

3. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
5. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
7. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
8. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
9. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
10. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
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12. MR. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
13. MR. HUNT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
14. MR. LALOR : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
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10. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 19TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the practice of Victoria and of New South Wales with regard to the importation of Stock ; and to ask what steps (if any) he contemplates taking to assimilate the practice in each colony.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 19.

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3. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when he anticipates being able to provide Drysdale with the promised telegraphic extension.
4. MR. WITT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the necessity of proclaiming Yarrowonga, on the River Murray, a crossing place for stock; and ask if he will take steps to get the said crossing gazetted.
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11. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. HOPKINS: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the amount charged to the selectors under the 42nd clause of the Land Act for re-surveys of their selections.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
2. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 13TH OCTOBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 20.

Justices of the Peace Bill.—[2] As re-reported 17th October. (To Members of Council only.)

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1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

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5. MR. DAVIES: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to certain memorials presented to the Crown Law Department, showing the inconvenience the public suffer from the want of magistrates and courts of petty sessions at Berlin, Orville, or Kingower; and also for magistrates and courts at East Charlton; and to ask if he intends to remedy the complaints.

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C. MAC MAHON,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH OCTOBER.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 20.
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 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 42.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[42]
 Report from Select Committee on Mr. Eaton; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 6. (Issue completed.)
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6. **MR. SERVICE**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the case of Mr. Cahill, lately a teacher employed by the Department of Public Instruction, who was compelled to retire on account of failing sight, finally resulting in blindness; and ask whether the provision temporarily made by a former Government, pending legislation on the subject of retiring allowances to teachers, has been refused him for the current year.
7. **MR. COPPIN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands to the labels in the public gardens; and to ask that the common names of plants be printed in addition to the botanical title at present attached, and also that the names of the statuary be placed thereon.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
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7. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS**.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
8. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL**.—Second reading.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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3. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
4. **MR. PURVES**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon an alleged promise made to certain selectors (Messrs. Young, Foy, Comfort, Wells, and others) on the Carrum Carrum Swamp, in the parish of Lyndhurst, in the county of Mornington, and to the statements of the said selectors that under and by virtue of the alleged promise they selected land in that locality and made improvements on the said land; such Committee to consist of Mr. Moore, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Mackay, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. King, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Langton, Mr. Richardson, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to form a quorum.

5. **MR. KERNOT** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence from the Agent-General of the colony as to the institution of the Indian and Colonial Museum, on the Thames Embankment.
6. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
7. **MR. BENT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the duty upon iron, gas, and water pipes is burdensome and mischievous, and should be abolished.
8. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
9. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
10. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
11. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
12. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria, and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
13. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
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15. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
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 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
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18. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

19. MR. LALOR : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
20. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
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23. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
24. MR. FINCHAM : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
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27. MR. CAMERON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th October.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at four o'clock.

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Electoral Act Amendment Bill.—[4] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 43.
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2. SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have arrived at any decision on the question of building a new chamber for the Legislative Assembly, or completing the Houses of Parliament interiorly and exteriorly.
 - (2.) If not, whether he has any objection to the appointment of a Select Committee to consider and report on the subject.
 - (3.) Or, in case he should be of opinion that there is no need for a Committee, whether he will afford facilities for eliciting the opinion of the House directly on the question.
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ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 22.

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4. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the promise given by him to have a suitable building erected at Mount Egerton; and to ask when tenders will be called for such work.
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6. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the case of John Nicholson, who selected a block of land in the county of Gladstone, south of a Mr. Calvert's pre-emptive section, who, it is said, had the land put up to auction without improvements, and had it withdrawn from sale for a valuation for improvements; and to ask if the matter will be reconsidered in consequence of Mr. Nicholson being the first applicant.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of all persons to whom or to whose representatives compensation or allowances have been made on retirement from the public service or death, showing the period of service in each case, the salary at time of death or retirement, and the amount of compensation; the Return to embrace the period from 1st January 1866 till the present time.
2. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of all officers of sixty years of age who have respectively been dispensed with or retained under "*The Civil Service Act*."

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. **INQUESTS BILL**.—Second reading.
6. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.
8. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS**.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
9. **MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE BILL**.—Second reading.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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1. **MR. COPE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers, correspondence, and documents relating to the selection and dealing with land in the parishes of Bramburra and Myamyn, from the time of selection to the present time.

2. **MR. GARRATT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
3. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
4. **MR. KERNOT** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence from the Agent-General of the colony as to the institution of the Indian and Colonial Museum, on the Thames Embankment.
5. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Pereydale).
6. **MR. BENT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the duty upon iron, gas, and water pipes is burdensome and mischievous, and should be abolished.
7. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
8. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
9. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
10. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
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1. SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
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1. **THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

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5. **FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.**—Second reading.
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7. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
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 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
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16. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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21. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
22. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.
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25. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
26. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
27. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
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30. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
31. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
32. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
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33. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
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THURSDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER.

1. **SIR GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have arrived at any decision on the question of building a new chamber for the Legislative Assembly, or completing the Houses of Parliament interiorly and exteriorly.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **BILLS OF SALE BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **PHARMACY BILL**.—Consideration of Report.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
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C. MAC MAHON,
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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 47.
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 Local Government Act Returns.—Return. C.—No. 6. (Issue completed.)
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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Government Business.

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8. ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.—Second reading.
9. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD NOVEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 25.

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(To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 1876.

1. **MR. FARRELL**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the request made by Captain Simpson to be examined before a board in reference to his invention of a gun boat on a new principle; and to ask if he will afford him an opportunity of doing so.
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3. **MR. BERRY**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the necessity of introducing the Railway Construction Bill; and to ask him if he will name a date when that measure will be submitted to Parliament.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the slow progress of the works for the completion of the Albert Park Lagoon; also to the arrangements which have been entered into by the Yacht Club for opening the same; and to ask whether he will take steps to expedite the finishing of the contract so as to enable the committee to fulfil their intentions.
5. **SIR GAVAN DUFFY**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have arrived at any decision on the question of building a new chamber for the Legislative Assembly, or completing the Houses of Parliament interiorly and exteriorly.
 - (2.) If not, whether he has any objection to the appointment of a Select Committee to consider and report on the subject.
 - (3.) Or, in case he should be of opinion that there is no need for a Committee, whether he will afford facilities for eliciting the opinion of the House directly on the question.
6. **MR. S. FRASER**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the delay that has taken place in appointing Trustees for the Mooroopna Cemetery; and to ask if the funds which were lost in consequence will be recouped to them.
7. **MR. HUNT**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the necessity that exists for erection of sheep yards at the Tallarook railway station; and ask whether he will make provision to meet the requirements of the inhabitants in the direction indicated.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL:—

1. **MR. PURVES**: To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL:—

1. **THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. **MR. JOHNSTONE**: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of granting permission to bring in a Bill for regulating the sale and use of poisons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. **BILLS OF SALE BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **PHARMACY BILL.**—Consideration of Report.
3. **COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **FRIENDLY SOCIETIES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.**—Second reading.
9. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. **CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. **WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. **IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.**—Second reading.
13. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.**—Third reading.
2. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **JURIES BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **INQUESTS BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **SUPREME COURT BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.**—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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5. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of compensation which will have to be paid to officers and men who are now employed by Government in the Dredging Department, and whose services will be dispensed with on the formation of the Harbor Trust.
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14. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH :** To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
15. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
16. **MR. J. T. SMITH :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
17. **MR. W. CLARKE :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.

18. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
19. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
20. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
21. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
22. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
24. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
25. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.
26. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
27. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
28. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
29. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
30. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
31. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
32. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended ; showing each vote separately.

33. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
34. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
35. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 (3.) The nature of the offence.
 (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
36. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
37. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **PUBLIC HOUSES BILL**.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

2. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 25.

Mining on Private Property Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Hon. John A. Wallace. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 50.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[50]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 11.

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—[7] As reported 2nd November. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER 1876.

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the dismissal and subsequent reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; and to ask if he will take into consideration the propriety of providing Constable Lyons with some remuneration for the period he was suspended.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to applications from Ararat and Stawell to form volunteer corps in those places ; and to ask him what objection, if any, there is to grant such applications.
3. SIR GAVAN DUFFY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he proposes to submit to Parliament the report of the Engineer-in-Chief on European and American railways.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of endowment paid to each local body under "*The Local Government Act 1874*" during the year 1875, and the amount which would have been payable had the maximum endowment to any one shire been fixed at £4,000.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
5. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Second reading.
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8. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
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Speaker.

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9. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 26.
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 Report of Committee of Elections and Qualifications on the Petition of Alexander Fraser ; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D 3.
 Friendly Societies Statute Amendment Bill.—[36] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
 Mining on Private Property Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. T. T. A'Beckett, and amendment to be moved by Sir C. Sladen. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 52.
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 Licensing Bill.—[8]
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER 1876.

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the opinion of Mr. Ireland, when Attorney-General, in 1862, in answer to nine queries of the Goldfields Royal Commission of Enquiry, with reference to the gold not passing from the Crown with the fee simple, and also of the defective nature of the supposed power to resume land for mining purposes in the Land Act of 1869 ; and to ask if any subsequent Attorney-Generals concur with Mr. Ireland, and whether the present Law Officers are of opinion that the law is defective, and if so, do the Government purpose amending the law this session.
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4. **MR. JAMES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if it is his intention to bring in an amending Mining Accidents Prevention Bill this session.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. JONES** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the management of State Railways.
2. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of certain lines of Railway by the State.
3. **SIR JAMES McCULLOCH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions :—
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 - (2.) That the Government be instructed to take the necessary steps for carrying out the foregoing resolution.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **JURIES BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **INQUESTS BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **SUPREME COURT BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.**—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

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14. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
15. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
16. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
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18. MR. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
19. MR. HUNT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
20. MR. LALOR : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
21. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
22. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.

23. **MR. LANGRIDGE:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
24. **MR. W. CLARKE:** To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
25. **MR. FINCHAM:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
26. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
27. **MR. BENT:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. CAMERON:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
29. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended; showing each vote separately.
30. **MR. MASON:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
31. **MR. TUCKER:** To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
32. **MR. TUCKER:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 (3.) The nature of the offence.
 (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
33. **MR. BENT:** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
34. **MR. MACDERMOTT:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life; the ages of such prisoners; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER.

1. **MR. KERNOT:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the inconvenience existing to Mechanics' Institutes, and other literary institutions, from the present mode of distributing Parliamentary papers granted them; and to ask if he will have them forwarded for the future by the Post-office.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).**—Second reading.
 2. **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL:—

1. MR. PURVES: To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL:—

1. THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
2. SALE OF POISONS BILL.—Second reading.
3. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES' BILL.—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Motion for committal—Resumption of debate.
7. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.—Second reading.
9. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

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C. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 16th November.

THE CARRUM CARRUM SWAMP SELECTIONS—at half-past three o'clock.

Tuesday, 21st November.

THE REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 27.
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Government Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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11. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
13. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, *upon going into Committee of Supply*, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying him to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House the correspondence (if any) between the American Consul and the Government of the Colony of Victoria relative to American shipping.
5. MR. COPPIN : *In Committee on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 17TH NOVEMBER.

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

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—[7] As reported 21st November. (To Members of Council only.)

Expiring Law (Diseases in Stock) Continuation Bill.—[43] (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 55.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[55]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 13.

Local Government Act Endowment—Return. C.—No. 7.

Victorian Railways.—Report of Observations on Railways made during a Tour in 1874 and 1875, undertaken by direction of the Government of Victoria, by Thomas Higinbotham, M. Inst. C.E., Engineer-in-Chief of Railways. No. 15.

Savings Banks—Statements and Returns for the Year ending 30th June 1876. No. 47.

Negotiation between the Government of Victoria and the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United

Railway Company for the Purchase of their Property—Correspondence, Reports, &c. No. 53.

Railway Construction Bill.—[49] (Issue completed.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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6. **MR. KERNOT**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to utilize the new buildings at the Royal Park intended for an Industrial School; and if so, for what purpose, and when.
7. **MR. CONNOR**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways and Roads to the desirability of making a track near the sea coast, from the mouth of the Gellibrand River to Cape Otway, and thence to Apollo and Louttit bays; and to ask him if provision will be made on the Estimates for the work.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **PUBLIC HOUSES BILL**.—Consideration of Report.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2)**.—Second reading.
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6. **JURIES BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **INQUESTS BILL**.—Second reading.
8. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL**.—Second reading.
9. **COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.
10. **SUPREME COURT BILL**.—Second reading.
11. **STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS**.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.
12. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS**: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
2. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
3. **MR. BENT**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence between William Morgan and the Commissioner of Customs, relative to Mr. Morgan's application for a license as shipping agent, and all other correspondence relating thereto.
4. **MR. GARRATT**: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
5. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
6. **MR. KERNOT**: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence from the Agent-General of the colony as to the institution of the Indian and Colonial Museum, on the Thames Embankment.

7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
8. MR. BENT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the duty upon iron, gas, and water pipes is burdensome and mischievous, and should be abolished.
9. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane E. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
10. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
11. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers, of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
12. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
13. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greatehead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
14. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
15. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
16. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities; of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
17. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
18. MR. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
19. MR. HUNT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover; three to form a quorum; and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
20. MR. LALOR : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
21. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.

22. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.
23. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
24. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
25. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
26. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
27. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
29. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended ; showing each vote separately.
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31. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
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34. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

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1. **MR. COPPIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the cash statement of the Yan Yean Water Supply for the year ending June 1876 ; and to ask for a reduction in the charge for water.

Government Business.

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1. **MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
2. **RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO PRIVATE BILL :—

1. THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
2. SALE OF POISONS BILL.—Second reading.
3. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Motion for committal—Resumption of debate.
7. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.—Second reading.
9. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

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WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

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C. MAC MAHON,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 23rd November.

MRS. J. BOWMAN—at three o'clock.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[56]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. **MR. GAUNSON:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the filling up, by prison labor, of a portion of the Sandridge Lagoon; and to ask if he will cause the work to be done by free labor; and also, if he will cause a board of three engineers to be appointed to report on the best means of utilizing such lagoon.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the Notice of Motion (No. 7) on the Notice Paper, standing in his name, referring to a recommendation by the Friendly Societies' Commission relative to the resumption of certain lands at Emerald Hill, and elsewhere, and to the importance of the same; and to ask whether he will afford facilities for the House to deal with the subject.
5. **MR. SERVICE:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, how many acres are now occupied by the Railway Department at Spencer street, and to what extent that amount could be supplemented if required.
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13. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
15. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz.:—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward.
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	
(12.) Sidings	
(13.) Rolling stock	
(14.) Stations	
(15.) Engineering expenses	
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1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

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WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. MR. LOCK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
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4. MR. COPPIN : *In Committee on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 30th November.

MRS. J. BOWMAN—at two o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. MR. MASON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the early completion of the third section of the Gippsland Railway; and to ask when he purposes proclaiming the line open for public traffic.
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2. PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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6. EXPIRING LAW (DISEASES IN STOCK) CONTINUATION BILL.—Second reading.
7. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—Second reading.
10. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
11. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
12. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Second reading.
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(3.) Fencing	
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(9.) Ballast	
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 30th November.

MRS. J. BOWMAN—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 24TH NOVEMBER.

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

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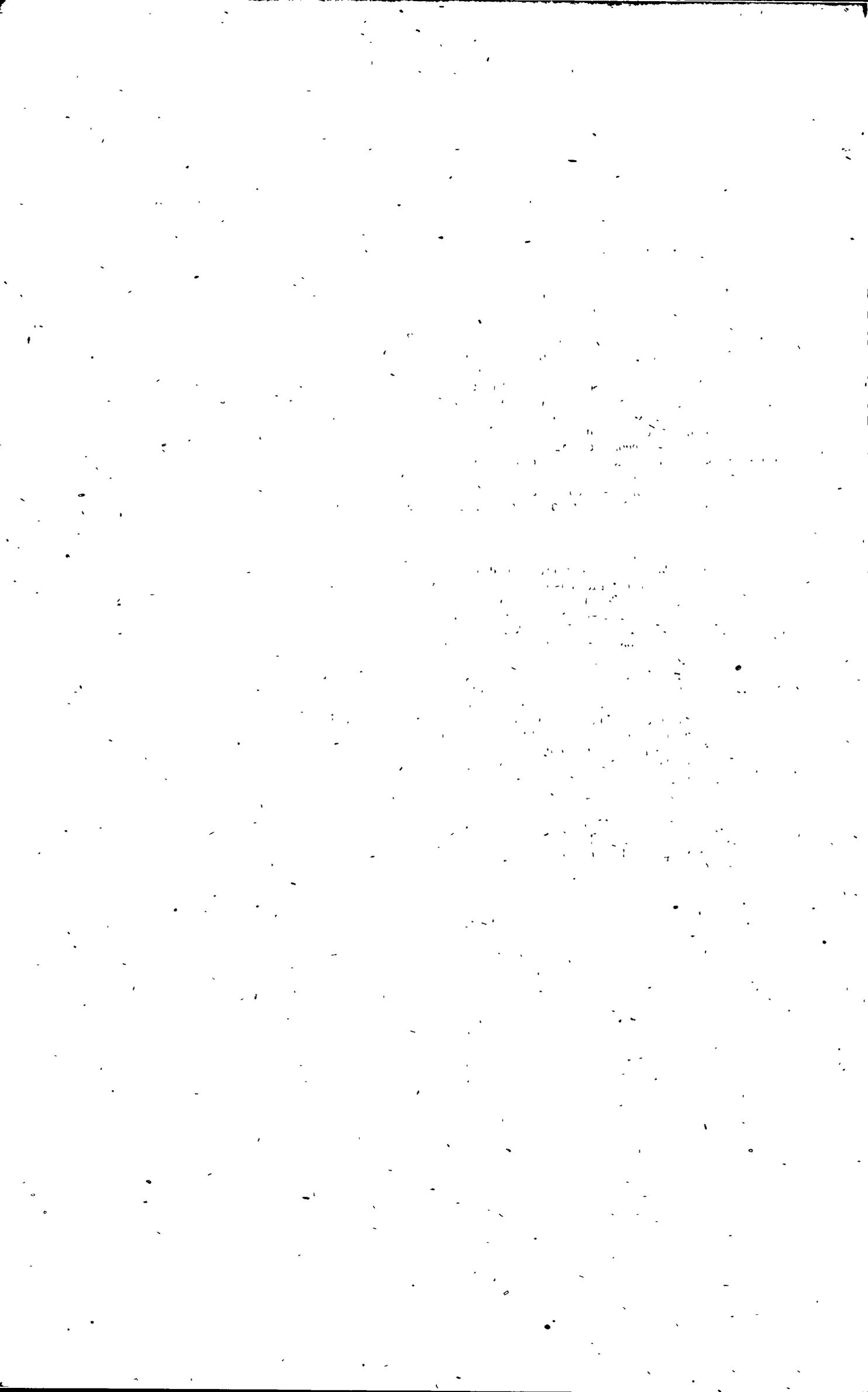
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER 1876.

1. MR. MASON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the early completion of the third section of the Gippsland Railway; and to ask when he purposes proclaiming the line open for public traffic.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
2. PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—Second reading.
10. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
11. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
12. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Second reading.
14. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
16. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

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3. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz.:—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward
(2.) Clearing	
(3.) Fencing	
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	
(5.) Earthworks	
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	
(7.) Metalling roads	
(8.) Rails and fastenings	
(9.) Ballast	
(10.) Sleepers	
(11.) Laying permanent way	
(12.) Sidings	
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Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.

4. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation; the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
5. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
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9. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
10. **MR. KERNOT** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence from the Agent-General of the colony as to the institution of the Indian and Colonial Museum, on the Thames Embankment.
11. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
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General Business.

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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 30th November.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 30.

First Report of the Printing Committee. D.4.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 59.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[59]

Order in Council—Land Act 1869—Amending Regulation. No. 54.

Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway—Statement of the headway of bridges, &c. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Bills of Sale Bill.—[17] As re-reported 29th November. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[40] As reported 29th November. (To members of Assembly only.)

Sale and Use of Poisons Bill.—[48] As reported 29th November. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the recommendation of the Friendly Societies' Commission relative to the resumption of certain lands at Emerald Hill and elsewhere ; and to ask whether it is his intention to act upon that suggestion.
2. MR. COPPIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the cash statement of the Yan Yean Water Supply for the year ending June 1876 ; and to ask for a reduction in the charge for water.
3. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when tenders will be invited for the erection of the new State schools at Colac and at North Cundare.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the 19th section of *The Land Act* 1869, and to the application of John Coles for land in the Ararat district ; and to ask him to reconsider the case with a view to determine whether the mining objections are reasonable or otherwise.
5. MR. GARRATT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the rumoured contemplated removal of the Industrial School children from Geelong and Ballarat to the new building in the Royal Park ; and to ask him if, in view of the large expenditure recently incurred in the former place in improving the buildings, and the great sanitary advantages obtainable in Geelong, whether he considers such removal necessary.
6. MR. MASON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the early completion of the third section of the Gippsland Railway ; and to ask when he purposes proclaiming the line open for public traffic.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
2. PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
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8. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—Second reading.
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11. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
12. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Second reading.
14. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
16. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosistó, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
2. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Report of Mr. Steele with respect to the construction of a Breakwater at Picnic Point.
3. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
4. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines ; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz:—

(1.) The purchase of land	}	per mile forward
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	...	...	...	...	...
(12.) Sidings	...	...	...	...	...
(13.) Rolling stock	...	...	...	...	...
(14.) Stations	...	...	...	...	...
(15.) Engineering expenses	...	...	...	...	...
(16.) Allowance for contingencies	...	...	...	...	...

Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.

5. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
6. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
7. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
8. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence between William Morgan and the Commissioner of Customs, relative to Mr. Morgan's application for a license as shipping agent, and all other correspondence relating thereto.
9. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
10. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
11. MR. KERNOT : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence from the Agent-General of the colony as to the institution of the Indian and Colonial Museum, on the Thames Embankment.
12. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
13. MR. BENT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the duty upon iron, gas, and water pipes is burdensome and mischievous, and should be abolished.
14. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
15. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
16. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
17. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
18. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
19. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
20. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.

21. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
22. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
23. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and, to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
24. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
25. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
26. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.
27. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
28. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
29. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
30. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
31. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
32. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
33. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended ; showing each vote separately.
34. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
35. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
36. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
37. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.

38. MR. MACDERMOTT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
2. MR. LANGTON : To move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider further of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company to extend the provisions of an Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company and for other purposes.'*"

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1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
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8. ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.—Second reading.
9. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the 49th section (Land Act 1869), application of Sarah McCaw, for land in the Ararat district ; and to ask him if he will make full enquiries into this case with a view to ascertain whether the mining objections should any longer prevail against her application.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the special appropriation of £3,000 for Mining Boards, to the system of election of, and expenses generally connected therewith ; and to ask him whether the Government intend to bring in an amending Mining Statute to abolish such Boards.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. MR. LOCK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
3. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, *on the Workmen's Lien Bill being read a second time*, That it be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Munro, Mr. James, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. COPPIN : *In Committee on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
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12. MR. COPE: To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Braxholme to Casterton, branching off the main line from Portland to Hamilton, *via* Merino and Sandford.
13. MR. CAMERON: To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Hawthorn to Lillydale and Healesville.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Saturday, 2nd December:

THE WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at Wallan Wallan.

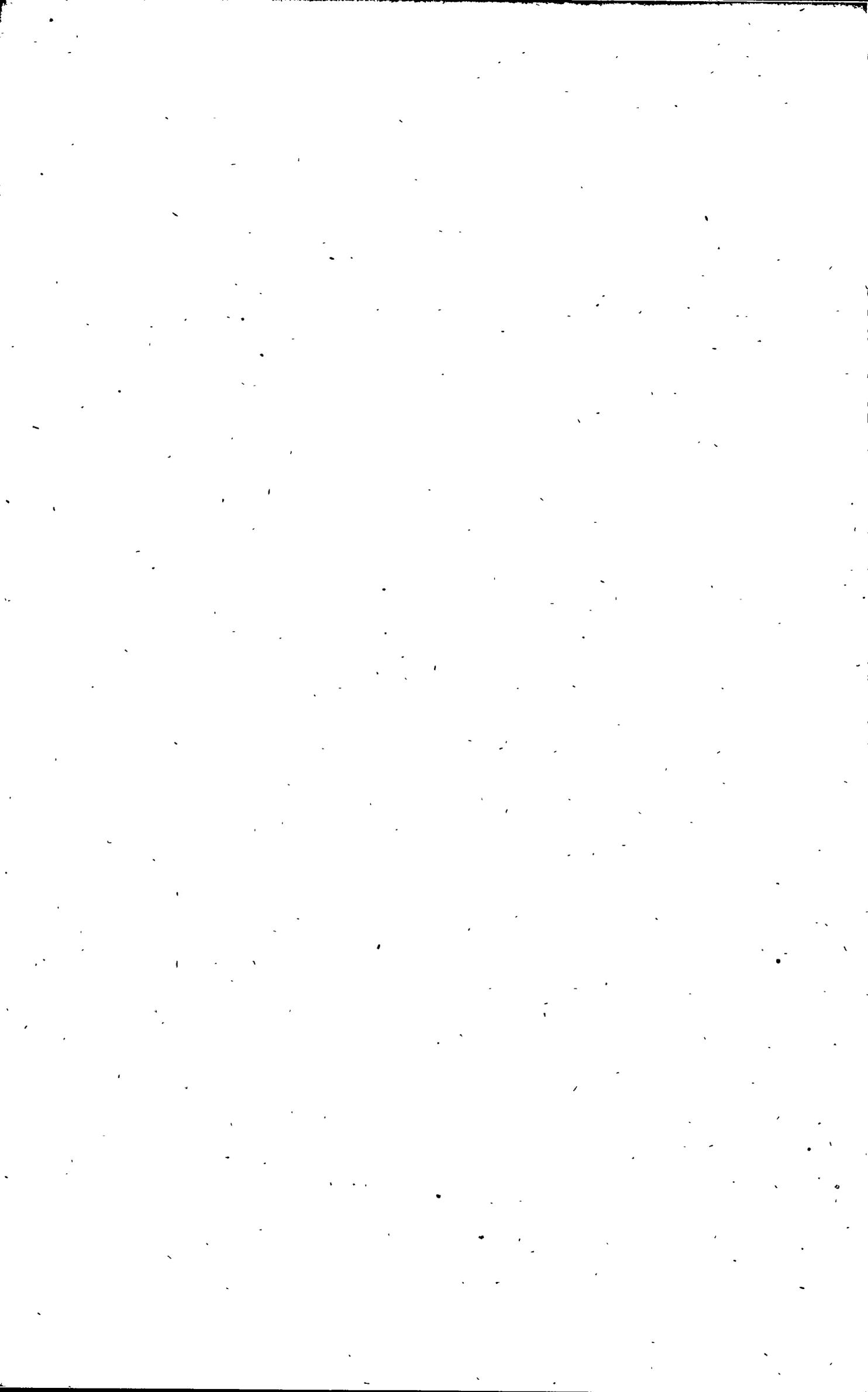
Thursday, 7th December.

MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the delay which takes place in the carriage of goods between Williamstown and Lara ; and ask whether he will take some steps to remedy the loss and inconvenience to shippers and consignees.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the conditions of settlement imposed by *The Land Act* 1869, and to the necessity for relieving intending selectors against the mining objections so frequently and unnecessarily urged against them ; and to ask him if he will take the same into consideration at an early period, with a view to afford such relief.
3. MR. LONGMORE : To ask the Honorable the President of Lands whether the State Forest Board of Bendigo have been letting the right to graze upon the Kamarooka and Egerton State forest ; and, if so, whether the Government will extend the same privilege to other State Forest Boards.
4. MR. CURTAIN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if it is his intention to promote the assistant operators in the Telegraph Department to the vacancies in the 5th class caused by the promotion of a number of operators from the 5th to the 4th class.

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10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—AMENDMENTS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—To be taken into consideration.
2. PUBLIC HOUSES BILL.—Consideration of Report.
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17. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
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 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
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- (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
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23. **MR. HUNT**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover; three to form a quorum; and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
24. **MR. LALOR**: To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
25. **MR. MIRAMS**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
26. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet; three to form a quorum.
27. **MR. LANGRIDGE**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
28. **MR. W. CLARKE**: To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on selectors under the 42nd section of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
29. **MR. FINCHAM**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
30. **MR. LANGTON**: To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.

31. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
32. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
33. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended; showing each vote separately.
34. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
35. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
36. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
37. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
38. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life; the ages of such prisoners; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER.

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2. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the special appropriation of £3,000 for Mining Boards, to the system of election of, and expenses generally connected therewith; and to ask him whether the Government intend to bring in an amending Mining Statute to abolish such Boards.
3. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the necessity for a new school at Brown's Plains; and to ask if it is intended to erect one; and, if so, whether upon the present site, and when.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. **MR. LOCK** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
3. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, *on the Workmen's Lien Bill being read a second time*, That it be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Munro, Mr. James, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

4. MR. COPPIN : *On consideration of report on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To move, *on an early day,* That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *via* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
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7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee,* That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway to branch off from the main Ballarat and Ararat line, through Haddon and Smythesdale to Scarsdale.
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 7th December.

MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1ST DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 31.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[61]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 15.

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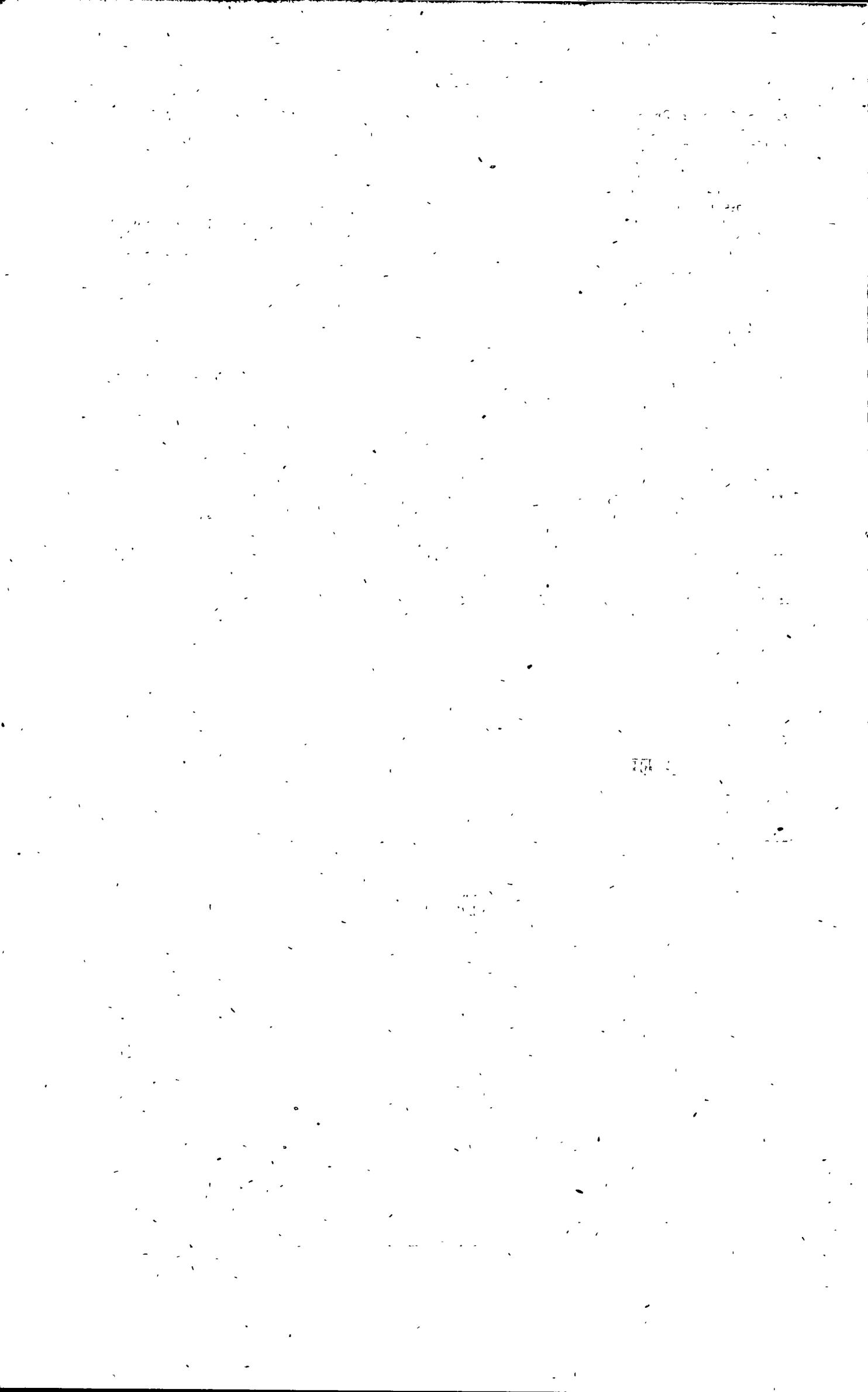
Colonial-made Spirits—Return. C.—No. 9.

James O'Donoghue—Petition. E.—No. 3.

Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 30th September 1876. No. 50.

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Amendments of Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—Additional clause by Mr. Coppin. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR JAMES McCULLOCH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the continuation of an Expiring Law.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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39. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
2. **THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.**—Resumption of Debate on question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider further of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company to extend the provisions of an Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes ;'*" and upon the amendment—That the debate be now adjourned.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
2. SALE OF POISONS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—Consideration of Report.
4. COLONIAL WINE LICENSES BILL.—Motion for second reading.—Resumption of debate.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
6. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS ADMISSION BILL.—Second reading.
9. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
10. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. MR. LOCK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
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4. MR. COPPIN : *On consideration of report on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
6. MR. WRIXON : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That section three, subsection eleven, and the eleventh schedule be so amended as to include, with the line of railway therein described, a branch line from Koroit to Belfast.
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C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 7th December.

MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at three o'clock.
PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 14th December.

THE CARRUM CARRUM SWAMP—at half-past three o'clock.

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6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to a question asked on 2nd December last year, with reference to the desirability of converting the old school buildings at Ararat into public baths ; and to ask him if he will now accede to the application of the Ararat Borough Council to obtain such buildings for that purpose.
7. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the fatal occurrence which took place on the Ararat and Hamilton railway works ; and to ask if he will take steps to prevent, as far as possible, the running of any locomotive engine with trucks in front of the engine.
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9. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the requirements of the residents of Yackandandah, Kiewa, Mitta Mitta, Curryong, Towong, and other places in the Upper Murray district, relative to a better means of communication with the local and metropolitan markets for their produce than exists at present ; and to ask if he will cause a line of railway to be surveyed from Beechworth to Yackandandah, with a view to further extension hereafter.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—Second reading.
7. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JURIES BILL.—Second reading.
9. INQUESTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Second reading.
11. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.
13. STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS.—Report of Select Committee—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

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 - (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use ; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 - (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances ; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
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26. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
27. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best means to be adopted in managing the State Forests of the Colony ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Gillies, Mr. Young, Mr. Connor, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Stewart, Mr. James, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to sit on days when the House does not meet ; three to form a quorum.
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29. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the second charge for surveyor's fees made by the Lands Department on the second of the Land Act 1865, and under the 49th section of the Land Act 1869, ought to be abolished.
30. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
31. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.

32. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
33. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
34. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount voted by Parliament for 1875-6 for Public Works, and the amount actually expended ; showing each vote separately.
35. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
36. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, a system of Life Assurance by the State, including facilities for the purchase of Government Annuities, similar to that in operation in Great Britain and in New Zealand, should be adopted in Victoria in connection with the Postal Department.
37. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 (3.) The nature of the offence.
 (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
38. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
39. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER.

1. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister for Lands and Agriculture to his previous reply in reference to the establishment of Test Farms ; and to ask if he has any further information to give to the House upon the subject.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
2. **THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.**—Resumption of Debate on question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider further of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company to extend the provisions of an Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate a Company to be called the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes ;'*" and upon the amendment—That the debate be now adjourned.

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1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.**—Second reading.
 2. **SALE OF POISONS BILL.**—Consideration of Report.
 3. **BILLS OF SALE BILL.**—Consideration of Report.
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 9. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 10. **CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 11. **WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. MR. LOCK : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, with the view of promoting improvements in the construction of steam ships, and at the same time testing the efficiency of Mr. Wilcox's invention, this House is of opinion that the Government should cause to be built, upon Mr. Wilcox's system, a vessel that could be made available as a torpedo or despatch boat in connection with the proposed defences of Hobson's Bay.
3. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, *on the Workmen's Lien Bill being read a second time*, That it be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Munro, Mr. James, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. COPPIN : *On consideration of report on "The Local Government Act Amendment Bill,"* To move a new clause.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
6. MR. WRIXON : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That section three, subsection eleven, and the eleventh schedule be so amended as to include, with the line of railway therein described, a branch line from Koroit to Belfast.
7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway to branch off from the main Ballarat and Ararat line, through Haddon and Smythesdale to Scarsdale.
8. MR. LALOR : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Keilor Road station to Bacchus Marsh and Ballan.
9. MR. GAUNSON : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Ararat to Avoca.
10. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a line from Keilor Road to Bacchus Marsh be added to the Bill.
11. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That the line to Horsham be struck out, and that a line from Ballarat by way of Haddon, Smythesdale, Scarsdale, and Piggoreet be substituted in its stead.
12. MR. COPE : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Branxholme to Casterton, branching off the main line from Portland to Hamilton, *viâ* Merino and Sandford.
13. MR. CAMERON : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Hawthorn to Lillydale and Healesville.
14. MR. WOODS : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That there be added to the Bill the schedule of a line from St. Arnaud to a point on the Murray River near the junction of the Darling and the Murray.
15. MR. FINCHAM : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway from Miners' Rest, on the Ballarat and Beaufort line, through Learmonth, Springs, and Lexton, to Avoca, with a view of a further extension to Moonambel, Stuart Mill, and St. Arnaud.
16. MR. JAMES : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a schedule be inserted to provide for a line of railway from the main Ballarat and Geelong line at Ballarat East through Bungaree and Gordons to Ballan.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 12th December.

THE WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at two o'clock.
PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.
MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at three o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 13th December.

THE CARRUM CARRUM SWAMP—at two o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. MR. LEVIEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister for Lands and Agriculture to his previous reply in reference to the establishment of Test Farms ; and to ask if he has any further information to give to the House upon the subject.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the grant of the lease to Thomas Swallow, in respect of his 19th section selection, in the parish of Shepparton ; and to ask—
 - (1.) Is this selector Mr. Thomas Swallow, of Sandridge, biscuit manufacturer ?
 - (2.) Did he reside on his selection, or within five miles thereof ?
 - (3.) Is there any objection to lay the papers on the Table of this House ?
3. MR. FINCHAM : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the unnecessary time required in conveying machinery by rail from Sandhurst to Creswick (engine loaded on the 7th not delivered on the 11th); and to ask him if he will cause goods to be forwarded with more dispatch.
4. MR. LALOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the proposed sale by public auction of the block of land lately licensed to Mr. William Manners, in the parish of Bungal ; and to ask him to withdraw the same, as being opposed to the spirit and intention of the Land Act now in force.
5. MR. COOK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the practice of the police of conveying dead bodies to hotels, for the purpose of holding coroners' inquests ; and to ask if he will give instructions that, in future, such bodies may be conveyed to the nearest public morgue available.
6. MR. MUNRO : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school buildings in Carlton ; and to ask if he will take steps to supply the wants of that district within a reasonable period.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
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3. MR. PURVES : To move, *contingently upon the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill being read a second time*, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills numbered respectively 114, 116, 117, 123, 134, 136, 139, and 140 be suspended, and that the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be now referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Langridge, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Crews, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee day by day, and that such Committee have leave to sit upon such days as the House shall not sit.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.
2. MR. CASEY : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to crossed cheques.

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11. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
12. PHARMACY BILL.—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
13. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of any letter or letters containing instructions to the Contracting Banks relative to the floating of the recent loan.
2. MR. CURTAIN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing the cost of the permanent survey of the Outer Circle line from North Melbourne to Oakleigh.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Report of Mr. Steele with respect to the construction of a Breakwater at Picnic Point.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable certain lands to be granted to the Corporation of the City of Melbourne for the establishment of a general market in the said city, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT No. 531, 1876-7.
2. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL. (2).—To be further considered in Committee.
5. JURIES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
12. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MUNRO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Flanagan, of the Court House Hotel, Hotham.
2. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
3. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
4. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines ; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz. :—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward.
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	...	...	...	...	...
(12.) Sidings	...	...	...	...	...
(13.) Rolling stock	...	...	...	...	...
(14.) Stations	...	...	...	...	...
(15.) Engineering expenses	...	...	...	...	...
(16.) Allowance for contingencies	...	...	...	...	...

Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.

5. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
6. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
7. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.

8. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence between William Morgan and the Commissioner of Customs, relative to Mr. Morgan's application for a license as shipping agent, and all other correspondence relating thereto:
9. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
10. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
11. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
12. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
13. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward, to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
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15. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
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 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
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THURSDAY, 14TH DECEMBER.

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 (7.) The per centage of deaths, patients discharged, cured, or relieved, and incurable, and the average period patients remained in each institution.

TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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3. **MR. MACBAIN** : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *via* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
4. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That section three, subsection eleven, and the eleventh schedule be so amended as to include, with the line of railway therein described, a branch line from Koroit to Belfast.
5. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway to branch off from the main Ballarat and Ararat line, through Haddon and Smythesdale to Scarsdale.
6. **MR. LALOR** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Keilor Road station to Bacchus Marsh and Ballan.
7. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Ararat to Avoca.
8. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a line from Keilor Road to Bacchus Marsh be added to the Bill.
9. **MR. COPE** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Branzholme to Casterton, branching off the main line from Portland to Hamilton, *via* Merino and Sandford.
10. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Hawthorn to Lillydale and Healesville.
11. **MR. WOODS** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That there be added to the Bill the schedule of a line from St. Arnaud to a point on the Murray River near the junction of the Darling and the Murray.
12. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway from Miners' Rest, on the Ballarat and Beaufort line, through Learmonth, Springs, and Lexton, to Avoca, with a view of a further extension to Moonambel, Stuart Mill, and St. Arnaud.
13. **MR. JAMES** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a schedule be inserted to provide for a line of railway from the main Ballarat and Geelong line at Ballarat East through Bungaree and Gordons to Ballan.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 13th December.

THE CARRUM CARRUM SWAMP—at two o'clock.

Thursday, 14th December.

PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

THE WATER RESERVE—PLENTY RANGES—at three o'clock.

MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 33.

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Public Houses Licensing Bill.—[8] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 14TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. **MR. GODFREY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to an alteration lately made by the Government in the boundaries of the fishing grounds at the mouth of the Yarra ; and to ask him for what purpose those boundaries were altered.
2. **MR. CREWS** : To call the attention of the Government to the damage done to the Dandenong road by the cartage of railway material to the Gippsland line ; and to ask if the Government will compensate the local bodies for such damage.
3. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to the public charges made against the police magistrate of Creswick ; and ask him if it is his intention to remove that officer, or to appoint a Board to inquire into the truth of the charges.
4. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the utter failure of the Railway Department to convey goods satisfactorily from Ballarat to Echuca ; and to ask if he will take steps to remedy the grievances complained of.
5. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister for Lands and Agriculture to his previous reply in reference to the establishment of Test Farms ; and to ask if he has any further information to give to the House upon the subject.
6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the grant of the lease to Thomas Swallow, in respect of his 19th section selection, in the parish of Shepparton ; and to ask—
 - (1.) Is this selector Mr. Thomas Swallow, of Sandridge, biscuit manufacturer ?
 - (2.) Did he reside on his selection, or within five miles thereof ?
 - (3.) Is there any objection to lay the papers on the Table of this House ?
7. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the proposed sale by public auction of the block of land lately licensed to Mr. William Manners, in the parish of Bungal ; and to ask him to withdraw the same, as being opposed to the spirit and intention of the Land Act now in force.
8. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school buildings in Carlton ; and to ask if he will take steps to supply the wants of that district within a reasonable period.

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1. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
 - (1.) The annual amount of the Government subsidy to each charitable institution for the last six years.
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 - (7.) The per centage of deaths, patients discharged, cured, or relieved, and incurable, and the average period patients remained in each institution.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET SITE BILL.—Second reading.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—To be further considered in Committee.
5. JURIES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. COUNTY COURTS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
 2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, *contingently upon the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill being read a second time*, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills numbered respectively 114, 116, 117, 123, 134, 136, 139, and 140 be suspended, and that the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be now referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Langridge, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Crews, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee day by day, and that such Committee have leave to sit upon such days as the House shall not sit.
 3. **MR. MUNRO** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Flanagan, of the Court House Hotel, Hotham.
 4. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
 5. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
 6. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz.:—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward.
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	...	...	...	...
(12.) Sidings	...	...	...	...
(13.) Rolling stock	...	...	...	...
(14.) Stations	...	...	...	...
(15.) Engineering expenses	...	...	...	...
(16.) Allowance for contingencies	...	...	...	...
- Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.
7. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
 8. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
 9. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
 10. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence between William Morgan and the Commissioner of Customs, relative to Mr. Morgan's application for a license as shipping agent, and all other correspondence relating thereto.
 11. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
 12. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
 13. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
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15. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
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17. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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 (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
18. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
19. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
20. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
21. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
22. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
23. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
24. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
25. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CROSSED CHEQUES BILL.—Second reading.
3. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
4. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT NO. 531, FOR 1876-7.—To be considered in Committee—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GARRATT :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PHARMACY BILL.—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 14th December.

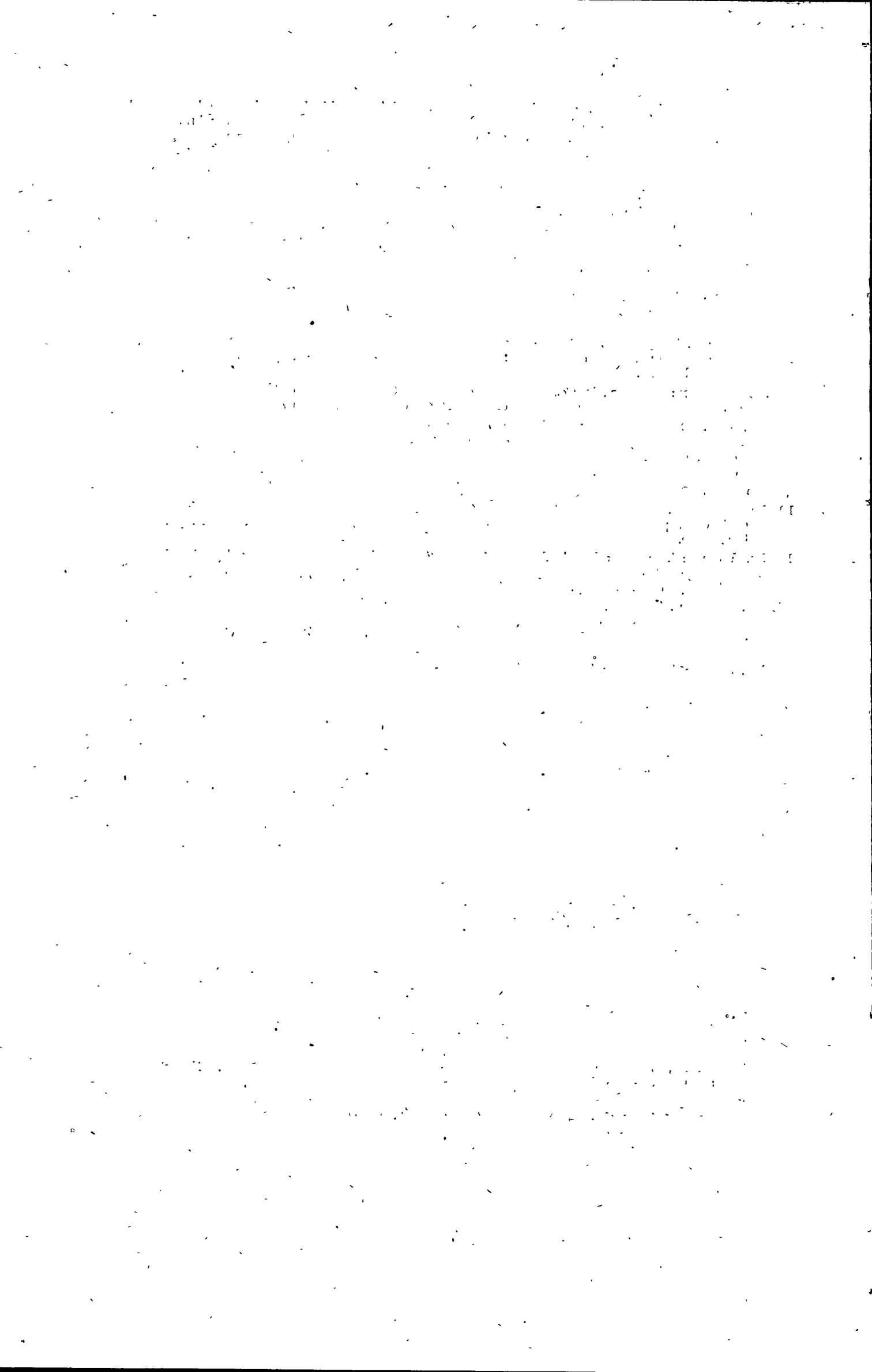
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Tuesday, 19th December.

PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. MR. MACKAY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the subject of the liability of managers of mining companies ; and to ask whether, in the proposed amendment of the Regulation of Mines Statute, it is proposed to make any alteration in the law with respect to this liability.
2. SIR GAVAN DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the proposed International Exhibition in Paris, and the manner in which it might be utilized for Australia ; and to ask if he intends to appoint a Royal Commission to take the necessary measures for that purpose.
3. MR. MACKAY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the claim of Mr. John Rae, schoolmaster of Sandhurst, for compensation ; and to ask whether a decision in reference to it has been finally come to.
4. MR. STEWART : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that German and other aliens who have been naturalized in either of the adjoining colonies, do not enjoy the advantages of naturalized citizens when they come here to reside ; and to ask if the Government will communicate with the Imperial Government, and with the adjoining colonies, with the view of remedying the injustice.
5. SIR GAVAN DUFFY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he intends to carry out his promise of relinquishing on the Victorian Railways, a practice abandoned throughout the civilized world—the practice of locking up passengers in railway carriages.
6. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the case of Mr. Patrick Walsh ; and to ask if he intends to issue the titles applied for by Mr. Chirnside for roads running through his landed estate near Walsh's property.
7. MR. GAUNSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the notification in the *Government Gazette* of 3rd November, of his approval of the application of Thomas Swallow for a lease in respect of his 19th section selection, in the parish of Shepparton ; and to ask—
 - (1.) Is this selector Mr. Thomas Swallow, of Sandridge, biscuit manufacturer ?
 - (2.) Did he reside on his selection, or within five miles thereof ?
 - (3.) Is there any objection to lay the papers on the Table of this House ?
8. MR. G. PATON SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the appointment of Mr. Marsden to the third class in the professional branch of the Water Supply Department ; and to ask whether this gentleman was promoted out of the usual course.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. DUFFY : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return specifying—
 - (1.) The toll-gates which were farmed for a sum less than £500 per annum, or were producing a less sum, on the 31st day of August 1876.
 - (2.) The applications made to restore any such toll-gates.
 - (3.) The cases in which the applications have been acceded to.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the care, management, and control of State Forests, Timber Reserves, and other Crown lands, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT NO. 531, FOR 1876-7.—To be considered in Committee—Resumption of debate.
4. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT NO. 531.—To be considered in Committee.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—To be further considered in Committee.
6. JURIES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
11. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.

2. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
3. **MR. BERRY** : To move, That the Government, having declined to give effect to the general policy enunciated at the opening of the Session, more especially that portion relating to Railway Construction, has failed in its duty to this House and the country.
4. **MR. MUNRO** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Flanagan, of the Court House Hotel, Hotham.
5. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
6. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
7. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines ; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz. :—
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| (1.) The purchase of land | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | } per mile forward. |
| (2.) Clearing | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (3.) Fencing | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (4.) Level crossings and cottages | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (5.) Earthworks | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (7.) Metalling roads | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (8.) Rails and fastenings | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (9.) Ballast | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
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| (11.) Laying permanent way | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (12.) Sidings | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (13.) Rolling stock | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (14.) Stations | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (15.) Engineering expenses | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| (16.) Allowance for contingencies | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
- Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.
8. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
9. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
10. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
11. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
12. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
13. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
14. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
15. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.

16. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
17. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by-land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
18. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
19. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The receipts to the Water Supply Department from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities for cost of fire plugs, and repairs of same by the Department, up to June 1876.
 (2.) The appliances under the control of the Government for preventing and extinguishing fires, setting forth the description of such appliances, the cost of same, where situate for use; also, the means the Government have taken so that such appliances are prepared for the operations they are intended for in case of fire.
 (3.) Also a return from the city of Melbourne and all other municipalities, of the expense of providing appliances for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, the description of such appliances; also, where situate, and whose charge they are under directly.
20. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
21. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
22. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
23. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
24. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
25. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
26. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
27. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
29. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

30. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
31. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
32. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life; the ages of such prisoners; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PHARMACY BILL**.—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
2. **THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S, EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **CROSSED CHEQUES BILL**.—Second reading.
4. **IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL**.—Second reading.
5. **FEMALES PROTECTION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL**.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
7. **MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. **MR. LANGTON** : To move—
 - (1.) That the promoters of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company to extend the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate a company to be called 'The Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes,'*" which was brought into this House in the session of Parliament 1876, have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereupon, and to proceed with the same Bill in the next session of Parliament.
 - (2.) That not later than four clear days after the next meeting of Parliament the Bill shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly, with a declaration signed by the agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill with respect to which proceedings have been so suspended at the last stage of the proceedings in this House in the present session.
 - (3.) That the Bill, endorsed by the Clerk as having been duly deposited with him, shall be laid by him forthwith on the Table of the House in the next session of Parliament.
 - (4.) That the Bill so laid on the Table, with the petition for the Bill and the order of leave to bring in the same in the session of 1876 shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time, and be referred to a Select Committee, together with the evidence taken before the Committee in the session of 1876.
 - (5.) That all petitions presented against this Bill, and which stood referred to the Committee on such Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next session of Parliament.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
3. **MR. WOODS** : To move, *contingently upon the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill being read a second time*, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills numbered respectively 114, 116, 117, 123, 134, 136, 139, and 140 be suspended, and that the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be now referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Langridge, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Crews, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee day by day, and that such Committee have leave to sit upon such days as the House shall not sit.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.
2. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That the Attorneys' Admission Bill be restored to the Paper for second reading.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **COLONIAL WINE LICENSES BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL**.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. **CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL**.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.

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C. MAC MAHON,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 19th December.

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THE WATER RESERVE—at three o'clock.

MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH DECEMBER.

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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 35.

Bills of Sale Bill.—[17] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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Sale and Use of Poisons Bill.—[48] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Stoppage in Transitu Prevention Bill.—[55]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 66.

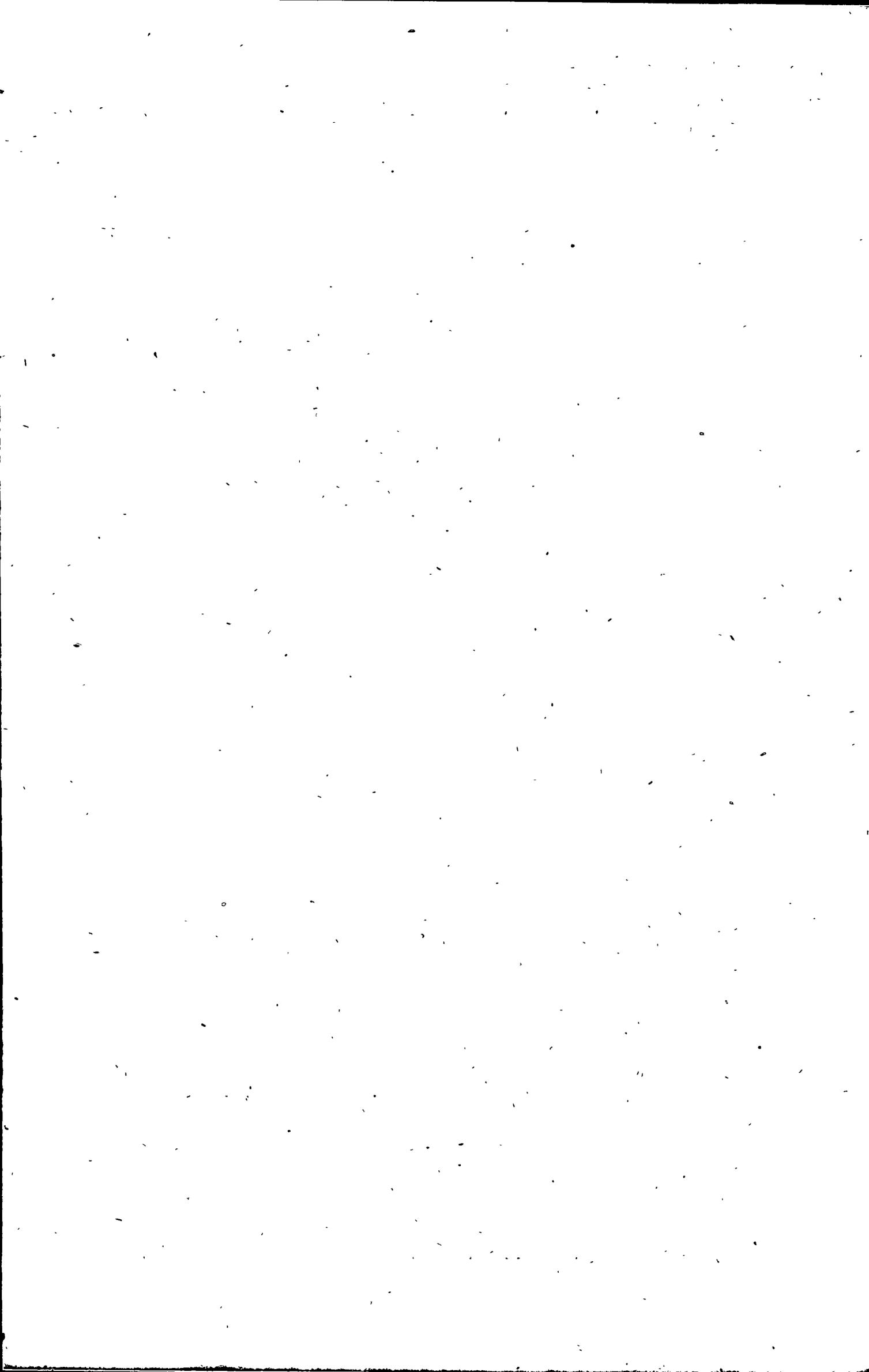
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[66]

Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure, &c., under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, Item 2.

A.—No. 22. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Melbourne General Market Site Bill.—[52] (Issue completed.)

Crossed Cheques Bill.—[54] (Issue completed.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER 1876.

1. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the fact that Chinese lepers have recently been removed from Castlemaine to Ballarat East ; and to ask whether it is his intention to establish a permanent lazaretto in that municipality.
2. **MR. CONNOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the inconvenience caused to the public by the refusal of the Railway department to convey goods by the railway to and from Winchelsea and Geelong ; and to ask him if he will cause goods to be conveyed in future in the same manner as on the other lines of railway.
3. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways :—
 - (1.) If he will call for tenders for, say, 3,000 or 4,000 sets of railway wheels and axles, to be made in the colony, except the steel tyres, which would be imported.
 - (2.) If he will call for tenders for the supply of the fish-plates and fish-bolts required for new lines, to be made in the colony ; also points and crossings for the same.
 - (3.) If he has any objection to countermand the order for 26,000 tons of bolts and iron rails, and substitute steel rails of the same weight per yard.
4. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if his attention has been called to the breakdown of the engine that conveyed the midday train from Melbourne to Ballarat on Friday last ; and to ask him if the said engine was an imported or a colonial one.
5. **MR. LOCK** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is his intention to appoint a Board of competent engineers to investigate the charges made by the Engineer-in-Chief condemnatory of the colonial-made locomotive engines ; and, if so, whether he will have such Board appointed without delay as there are several engines of a similar kind now in course of construction for the Government.
6. **MR. JAMES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to a complaint made by Mr. Thomas Walker of the conduct of station-master O'Malley ; and to ask what steps he proposes to take in the matter.
7. **MR. BENT** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government have had any communication with the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company as to the purchase of the line since the resolution was passed by the House.
8. **MR. MIRAMS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the claim of Mr. John Puckey, schoolmaster, of Collingwood, for compensation ; and to ask whether a decision in reference to it has been finally come to.
9. **MR. MACKAY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the claim of Mr. John Rae, schoolmaster of Sandhurst, for compensation ; and to ask whether a decision in reference to it has been finally come to.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO PRIVATE BILLS :—

1. **MR. LANGTON** : To move—
 - (1.) That the promoters of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company to extend the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate a company to be called 'The Collingwood, Fitzroy, and District Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes,'*" which was brought into this House in the session of Parliament 1876, have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereupon, and to proceed with the same Bill in the next session of Parliament.
 - (2.) That not later than four clear days after the next meeting of Parliament the Bill shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly, with a declaration signed by the agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill with respect to which proceedings have been so suspended at the last stage of the proceedings in this House in the present session.
 - (3.) That the Bill, endorsed by the Clerk as having been duly deposited with him, shall be laid by him forthwith on the Table of the House in the next session of Parliament.
 - (4.) That the Bill so laid on the Table, with the petition for the Bill and the order of leave to bring in the same in the session of 1876 shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time, and be referred to a Select Committee, together with the evidence taken before the Committee in the session of 1876.
 - (5.) That all petitions presented against this Bill, and which stood referred to the Committee on such Bill, shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next session of Parliament.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorise the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" be now read a second time.
3. **MR. WOODS** : To move, *contingently upon the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill being read a second time*, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills numbered respectively 114, 116, 117, 123, 134, 136, 139, and 140 be suspended, and that the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be now referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Langridge, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Crews, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee day by day, and that such Committee have leave to sit upon such days as the House shall not sit.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.
2. MR. MACDERMOTT : To move, That the Attorneys' Admission Bill be restored to the Paper for second reading.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMINAL CASES NEW TRIAL BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
5. THE COLLINGWOOD, FITZROY, AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
7. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. LOCK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the number and comparative cost of colonial-made and imported locomotive engines respectively, distinguishing the weight and patterns of such engines, together with the approximate cost of fitting the imported engines in the Government workshops ; also, the cost of the three engines, Nos. 100, 103, and 105, made in the Government workshops.
2. MR. COPPIN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Return showing the dates when the loans were made to the Yan Yean Commissioners, the dates of the repayments to the general revenue, with a statement of the rate of interest charged, and all other particulars calculated to make the Return complete.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Third reading.
2. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT No. 531, FOR 1876-7.—To be considered in Committee—Resumption of debate.
3. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT No. 531.—To be considered in Committee.
4. STATE FORESTS.—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
5. STATE FORESTS BILL.—Second reading.
6. STOPPAGE IN TRANSITU BILL.—Second reading.
6. RAILWAY MANAGEMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
8. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR GAVAN DUFFY : To move, That the land in Kilmany Park formerly licensed to George Cupit who, in the language of the District Surveyor, "was proved to be a dummy for Mr. Pearson," ought to be immediately thrown open for selection.
2. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
3. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £1,500 towards the cost of repairing the outlet works to Lake Burrumbeet, in fulfilment of the repeated promises given for that purpose by previous administrations.
4. MR. BERRY : To move, That the Government, having declined to give effect to the general policy enunciated at the opening of the Session, more especially that portion relating to Railway Construction, has failed in its duty to this House and the country.
5. MR. MUNRO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Flanagan, of the Court House Hotel, Hotham.
6. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

8. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz. :—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward.
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	...	...	...	...	...
(12.) Sidings	...	...	...	...	...
(13.) Rolling stock	...	...	...	...	...
(14.) Stations	...	...	...	...	...
(15.) Engineering expenses	...	...	...	...	...
(16.) Allowance for contingencies	...	...	...	...	...

Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based.

9. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
10. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
11. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
12. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies; having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
13. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
14. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
15. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
16. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.
17. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
18. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
19. MR. CAMPBELL: To move, That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.

20. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson, as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
21. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
22. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
23. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the names of those Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly who have declined to receive payment since the passing of the Act for that purpose came into force to the present date ; also all the amounts paid to the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively during the same period.
24. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
25. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
26. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
27. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the management of the Corranderrk Station ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Hanna, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Walker, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Garratt, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet, to move from place to place, and to call for persons and papers.
29. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
30. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 (3.) The nature of the offence.
 (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
31. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
32. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

THURSDAY, 21ST DECEMBER.

1. **SIR GAVAN DUFFY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the leases held by the Bank of Victoria in the Borough of Walhalla ; and to ask that the Minister will not, during the parliamentary recess, consent to an amalgamation of those leases.
- CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—
1. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.

2. **MR. MACBAIN** : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That section three, subsection eleven, and the eleventh schedule be so amended as to include, with the line of railway therein described, a branch line from Koroit to Belfast.
4. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway to branch off from the main Ballarat and Ararat line, through Haddon and Smythesdale to Scarsdale.
5. **MR. LALOR** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Keilor Road station to Bacchus Marsh and Ballan.
6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Ararat to Avoca.
7. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a line from Keilor Road to Bacchus Marsh be added to the Bill.
8. **MR. COPE** : To move, *in Committee on the Railway Construction Bill*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Branhholme to Casterton, branching off the main line from Portland to Hamilton, *viâ* Merino and Sandford.
9. **MR. CAMERON** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted providing for the construction of a line of railway from Hawthorn to Lillydale and Healesville.
10. **MR. WOODS** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That there be added to the Bill the schedule of a line from St. Arnaud to a point on the Murray River near the junction of the Darling and the Murray.
11. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a new schedule be inserted to provide for the construction of a line of railway from Miners' Rest, on the Ballarat and Beaufort line, through Learmonth, Springs, and Lexton, to Avoca, with a view of a further extension to Moonambel, Stuart Mill, and St. Arnaud.
12. **MR. JAMES** : To move, *when the Railway Construction Bill is in Committee*, That a schedule be inserted to provide for a line of railway from the main Ballarat and Geelong line at Ballarat East through Bungaree and Gordons to Ballan.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 20th December.

THE CARRUM-CARRUM SWAMP—at one o'clock.
THE WATER RESERVE—at two o'clock.
MRS. JANET BOWMAN—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 15TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 35 and No. 36.
Proofs of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 36 and No. 37.
Public Houses Bill.—[8] As reported 19th December. (To Members of the Council only.)
Local Government Act 1874 Amendment Bill.—[40] As reported 19th December. (To Members of Council only.)
Sale and Use of Poisons Bill.—[48] As reported 19th December. (To Members of Council only.)
Melbourne General Market Site Bill.—[52] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
Public Houses Bill.—Proposed New Clause by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 67.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[67]
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 17.
Yan Yean Water Supply.—Cost of Construction, &c. A.—No. 21.
Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, Item 2.
A.—No. 22. (Issue completed.)
Additional Estimates 1876-7—Message. B.—No. 6.
Third Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders. D.—No. 8.
Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Buildings. D.—No. 9.
State Forest Bill.—[53.]
Right of Stoppage in Transitu Bill.—[55] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by proper documentation and that the books should be kept up-to-date at all times.

In the second section, the author details the various methods used to collect and analyze data. This includes the use of standardized forms, regular audits, and the application of statistical techniques to identify trends and anomalies.

The third section focuses on the internal controls and procedures that are in place to ensure the integrity of the financial information. It describes the roles and responsibilities of different departments and the checks and balances that are implemented to prevent errors and fraud.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the key findings and recommendations. It stresses the need for continuous improvement and the importance of staying current with the latest accounting practices and technologies.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 21ST DECEMBER 1876.

1. **SIR GAVAN DUFFY**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the leases held by the Bank of Victoria in the Borough of Walhalla; and to ask that the Minister will not, during the parliamentary recess, consent to an amalgamation of those leases.
2. **MR. GAUNSON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the desirability of at once fencing in and planting the Sandridge Bend; and to ask him to place a sum of money on the Estimates for this purpose.
3. **MR. G. V. SMITH**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to the statements made in this House with reference to Mr. Dowling, P.M.; and to ask if any steps have been, or are to be, taken for the purpose of ascertaining whether these statements have any foundation in fact.
4. **MR. DUFFY**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the application of Thomas Dwyer, of Mia Mia, to have land which he had selected put up for sale by auction, with a valuation for improvements; and ask him if he will accede to such application.
5. **MR. FINCHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction the number of truant officers he has appointed, or intends immediately to appoint, the number of school districts such officers are to inspect, the duties that will be required of them, and the remuneration they are to be paid.
6. **MR. DUFFY**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the claim of William O'Callaghan, of Alexandra, for £50, the value of certain improvements made on his selection; and ask him to reconsider his decision.
7. **MR. MASON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the fact that a large area of country in the vicinity of Brandy Creek has been reserved for some three years from selection on account of its supposed auriferous character; and to ask what has been done by his department towards testing the ground; and if he will take steps to remove such reservation with a view to its selection.
8. **MR. WOODS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways:—
 - (1.) If he will call for tenders for, say, 3,000 or 4,000 sets of railway wheels and axles, to be made in the colony, except the steel tyres, which would be imported.
 - (2.) If he will call for tenders for the supply of the fish-plates and fish-bolts required for new lines, to be made in the colony; also points and crossings for the same.
 - (3.) If he has any objection to countermand the order for 26,000 tons of iron rails, and substitute steel rails of the same weight per yard.
9. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the still unfinished contract for the pumping works in connection with the Government Domain and Albert Park Lagoön; and to ask him when it will be completed.
10. **MR. CONNOR**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the inconvenience caused to the public by the refusal of the Railway department to convey goods by the railway to and from Winchelsea and Geelong; and to ask him if he will cause goods to be conveyed in future in the same manner as on the other lines of railway.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. MASON**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence in connection with the granting of certain public lands to Mrs. Neill, or a company called the "Victorian Ladies' Sericultural Company," and a statement of the quantity of land granted and the conditions under which the same is held.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER ACT No. 531, FOR 1876-7.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CREWS**: To move, That the following resolutions be adopted as Standing Orders of this House:—
 - (1.) That the promoter of the Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" which was brought into this House in the Session of Parliament 1876, have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereupon, and to proceed with the same Bill in the next Session of Parliament.
 - (2.) That not later than four clear days after the next meeting of Parliament the Bill shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly, with a declaration signed by the agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill with respect to which proceedings have been so suspended at the last stage of the proceedings in this House in the present session.
 - (3.) That the Bill, endorsed by the Clerk as having been duly deposited with him, shall be laid by him forthwith on the Table of the House in the next session of Parliament.
 - (4.) That the Bill so laid on the Table, with the petition for the Bill and the order of leave to bring in the same in the session of 1876 shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time, and a second time.

2. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish all fees in connection with the Melbourne University.
3. MR. MACDERMOTT : To move, That the Attorneys' Admission Bill be restored to the Paper for second reading.
4. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £ , to be paid to Mr. Thomas Eaton, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Committee appointed by this House to consider his case.
5. MR. MUNRO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Flanagan, of the Court House Hotel, Hotham.
6. MR. J. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria and scarlet fever ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Mason, Mr. Munro, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dismissal and reinstatement of Constable Lyons ; such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lock, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Purves, Mr. Longmore, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
8. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing in detail the cost per mile of the Ballarat and Stawell line, the Ballarat and Maryborough line, the Castlemaine and Dunolly line, the Sandhurst and Inglewood line, the Wangaratta and Beechworth line, the Maryborough and Avoca line, and the Geelong and Colac line, together with contract prices and estimates for the construction of the Gippsland, Ararat and Hamilton, and Portland and Hamilton lines ; the Return in each case to be separate, and to embrace the following items, viz. :—

(1.) The purchase of land	} per mile forward.
(2.) Clearing	...	...	...	...	...
(3.) Fencing	...	...	...	...	...
(4.) Level crossings and cottages	...	...	...	...	...
(5.) Earthworks	...	...	...	...	...
(6.) Water provision, bridges, culverts, &c.	...	...	...	...	...
(7.) Metalling roads	...	...	...	...	...
(8.) Rails and fastenings	...	...	...	...	...
(9.) Ballast	...	...	...	...	...
(10.) Sleepers	...	...	...	...	...
(11.) Laying permanent way	...	...	...	...	...
(12.) Sidings	...	...	...	...	...
(13.) Rolling stock	...	...	...	...	...
(14.) Stations	...	...	...	...	...
(15.) Engineering expenses	...	...	...	...	...
(16.) Allowance for contingencies	...	...	...	...	...

Also similar details on which the present estimates of £4,250 per mile, with a 60 lb. rail, are based:

9. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of the expenditure on Government House up to the time of occupation, the amount of extras up to the completion of the building, and the original estimate of the Public Works Department as to the cost of the building, &c., &c.
10. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity of land re-purchased for the Ararat and Hamilton Railway, with the names of the sellers, the price asked, and the price agreed to be given, together with outstanding claims.
11. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an estimate showing the annual value per train mile of the Melbourne and Sandridge Railway and the Melbourne and Williamstown line respectively, after the Port and Harbor have been handed over to the proposed Trust.
12. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should resume possession of the reserves at Emerald Hill, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Friendly Societies, having due regard to the expenditure incurred by the different Orders which have expended money in improving their grounds by buildings or otherwise.
13. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the correspondence, including minutes and all other documents, relating to the forfeiture of the gold mining lease, 1784, Maryborough (formerly held by W. N. Paul, of Percydale).
14. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed by ballot, to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land by Jane P. Simmons, at Merton, and the subsequent recommendation of the local land board that said land should be leased to Peter Hunter, and the action of the Lands department thereon ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
15. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence between James Renwick Gibson and the Registrar of Titles, in the matter of the application of George Gauntly Watmough, with reference to section 29, parish of Jika Jika, together with a copy of the said application and a statement of the grounds thereof.
16. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of One thousand pounds as a reward to the discoverer or discoverers of the most approved apparatus for saving gold.

17. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the dispensing with the services of L. Gray, formerly employed as a blacksmith in the Marine Yard, Williamstown ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bent, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Purves, Mr. Woods, Mr. King, Mr. Connor, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
18. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The effective strength and the total amount expended up to the year 1876 on and for the Volunteer Force, inclusive of the value of land apportioned to members of the Force to whom land certificates were granted.
 - (2.) The number of volunteers who settled upon the lands granted them under such certificates.
 - (3.) The total cost, up to the date mentioned, of our naval and other defences by land and water, including the *Cerberus* and all other vessels belonging to Government.
 - (4.) The number of persons engaged in our naval and military defences, independent of the volunteers.
 - (5.) The strength and annual cost of the Police Force ; and the number stationed in Melbourne and suburban municipalities.
19. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, the sum of £500 for the benefit of the widow and children of the late James Stephen, in recognition of his long and faithful services.
20. **MR. DAVIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1876-7 the sum of £200, to be paid to Mr. Thos. Bury, in full of all his claims on the Government by reason of delay in granting him a lease of a section of land at Cape Patterson ; as recommended by a Select Committee of this Honorable House in the session of 1869.
21. **MR. HUNT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Lazarus Berlowitz, in reference to his claim in connection with certain land at Molesworth ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Munro, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Dixon, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to send for persons and papers and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
22. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 29th instant, from certain members of the Bacchus Marsh Troop of Prince of Wales Light Horse, be referred to the Committee of Supply.
23. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence connected with the Grand Victoria North Western Canal Company.
24. **MR. FINCHAM** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the value of all goods imported on account of the Government of Victoria, the weight of such goods, and the amount paid for freight ; also the amount paid as commission to the gentlemen entrusted with the purchase of the same, from the 1st June 1875 to the 1st June 1876.
25. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Printing Committee be instructed to include in the reports which it from time to time presents to this House a statement setting forth the several returns required by law to be laid before Parliament which have been already presented, and those which have not been presented, together with the dates at which by law such returns are required to be prepared, and the dates of presentation.
26. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the correctness of the Report, dated 20th July 1876, from the Traffic Manager's office, purporting to account for the increase of receipts over estimates for the year 1875-6, and generally into the management of the Traffic Branch of the Railway Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Walker, Mr. Tucker, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Langton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Lalor, and the Mover ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place.
27. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the dispute between Mr. Thomas Wilkinson, late pastoral licensee at Langwarry, Gippsland, and the Lands Department, relative to the confiscation of his improved land ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Young, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mirams, Mr. King, Mr. James, Mr. Moore, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
28. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
- (1.) The names of persons charged with offences against the Customs laws or regulations, from 22nd June 1874 to 18th July 1876.
 - (2.) The decision of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs in each case.
 - (3.) The nature of the offence.
 - (4.) The amount of penalty inflicted in each case.
29. **MR. BENT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of Fifteen hundred pounds be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1876-7, towards the construction of a breakwater at Picnic Point, Brighton.
30. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all prisoners of the Crown now undergoing sentence of imprisonment for life ; the ages of such prisoners ; the dates of their respective convictions, and the offence of which they were respectively convicted ; also, a copy of any report of the Inspector-General of Penal Departments, as to the conduct of such prisoners during their imprisonment.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WATER RESERVE, PLENTY RANGES.—Report of Select Committee to be taken into consideration.
2. CARRUM CARRUM SWAMP.—Report of Select Committee to be taken into consideration.
3. COLONIAL WINE LICENSEES BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CEMETERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, INCREASE OF MEMBERS BILL.—Second reading.
6. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
7. FEMALES PROTECTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. WORKMEN'S LIEN BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMPBELL: To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion that it is desirable that such roads as are not required for traffic should be let to the holders of adjacent lands on such terms as shall secure to the State the full annual value of such lands, without interfering with the absolute right of the State to resume such roads whenever they may be required.
2. MR. MACBAIN: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when an effort should be made to establish a monthly postal service between England and this colony *via* the Cape of Good Hope, and with the view of increasing the facilities for passenger traffic between the two countries, the Government should advertise for tenders for a combined postal and passenger service, to be performed by large and powerful steamships, capable of making the passage in not more than 44 days. The rate of passage money to be charged for third class passengers to be fixed at such a reduced amount as to offer an inducement to immigrants from the old country to direct their attention to this colony as a field for settlement. The steamers to start from England and the colony every alternate fortnight with the P. and O. Co.'s service.

C. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 21st December.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 37.

Proofs of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 38.

Local Government Act 1874 Amendment Bill.—[38] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Crossed Cheques Bill.—[54] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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