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- Page 409. Mr. R. F. Sholl's speech, line 22, *for* “ 100,000,” *read* “ 10,000.”

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LEGISLATURE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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(From September 21st, 1891.)

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6. Glyde, The Honorable G.	8th March, 1892.
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9. Hamersley, The Honorable E.	24th December, 1890.
10. Hardey, The Honorable R. W.	31st December, 1890.
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12. Leake, The Honorable G. W.	} 24th December, 1890.
13. Monger, The Honorable J. H. †	
14. Moore, The Honorable W. D. §	
15. Morrison, The Honorable J.	
16. Shenton, The Honorable G.	
17. Wright, The Honorable J. A.	

* Designated, 7th January, 1892, and re-appointed 7th January, 1892. † Resigned, 2nd December, 1891, and re-appointed, 4th December, 1891. ‡ Deceased reported, 23rd February, 1892. § Designated, 4th February, 1892.

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An Act to amend "The Aboriginal Offenders Act, 1883," and to authorise the Whipping of Aboriginal Native Offenders. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 27th January, 1892. Assented to 18th March, 1892.]

ABORIGINES PROTECTION ACT, 1886, AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 25)—

An Act to amend "The Aborigines Protection Act, 1886," and to provide a Summary Remedy for Breach of Contract by Aborigines. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 27th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

AFFIRMATIONS ACT (55 Vic. No. 14)—

An Act to empower Judges and others to order the making of a Solemn Affirmation and Declaration in lieu of the taking of an Oath. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 8th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

APPROPRIATION ACT (55 Vic. No. 1)—

An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the Service of the year ending the last day of December, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 4th March, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

AUGMENTATION OF MINISTERS' SALARIES ACT (55 Vic. No. 23)—

An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the annual sum of One thousand pounds, in augmentation of Ministerial Salaries. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 1st March, 1892. Assented to 18th March, 1892.]

BANKRUPTCY ACT (55 Vic. No. 32)—

An Act to amend and consolidate the Law of Bankruptcy. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

BILLS OF SALE ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 7)—

An Act to amend "The Bills of Sale Act, 1879," and to extend the Security on future and after acquired Property. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 16th February, 1892.]

BOYANUP-BUSSELTON RAILWAY ACT (55 Vic. No. 2)—

An Act to authorise the construction of a Railway from Boyanup to Busselton. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 1st February, 1892.]

BOYANUP-MINNINUP RAILWAY ACT (55 Vic. No. 4)—

An Act to authorise the construction of a Railway from Boyanup to Minninup Bridge. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 14th December, 1891. Assented to 1st February, 1892.]

CUSTOMS LAWS CONSOLIDATION ACT (55 Vic. No. 31)—

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING ACT (55 Vic. No. 33)—

An Act to authorise Municipal Corporations to supply or to grant Licenses or make Contracts for the supply of Electricity for Lighting and other purposes. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 24th February, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

FIRST OFFENDERS ACT (55 Vic. No. 6)—

An Act to permit the Conditional Release of First Offenders in certain cases. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 18th December, 1891. Assented to, 1st February, 1892.]

GAME ACT (55 Vic. No. 36)—

An Act to provide for the Preservation of Imported Birds and Animals, and of Native Game. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

GENERAL LOAN AND INSCRIBED STOCK ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 5)—

An Act to further amend "The General Loan and Inscribed Stock Act, 1884." [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 1st February, 1892.]

GERALDTON-MULLEWA RAILWAY ACT (55 Vic. No. 19)—

An Act to authorise the construction of a Railway from Geraldton to Mullewa. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 20th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

GOLDFIELDS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 21)—

An Act to confirm and to amend "The Goldfields Act, 1886." [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 6th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

HAWKERS AND PEDLARS ACT (55 Vic. No. 35)—

An Act to repeal the present Law relating to Hawkers and Pedlars. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 10th March, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

HIGH SCHOOL (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) ACT (55 Vic. No. 29)—

An Act to make better provision for the Appointment of Governors of the High School, Perth, and for other purposes. [Initiated in the Council by Mr. Shenton, 4th March, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY ACT (55 Vic. No. 20)—

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Property of Married Women. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Parker, 20th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

MASTERS AND SERVANTS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 28)—

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Masters and Servants. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 27th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

MINERAL LANDS ACT (55 Vic. No. 3)—

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MUNICIPAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1876, AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 16)—

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MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY PRESERVATION ACT (55 Vic. No. 37)—

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NORTHAM-SOUTHERN CROSS RAILWAY ACT (55 Vic. No. 12)—

An Act to authorise the construction of a Railway from Northam to Southern Cross. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 14th December, 1891. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

PATENT ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 15)—

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PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS ACT (55 Vic. No. 24)—

An Act to make better provision for the Protection of Women and Girls, and for other purposes. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Burt, 7th January, 1892. Assented to, 18th March, 1892.]

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 22)—

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SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY ACT AMENDMENT ACT (55 Vic. No. 30)—

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An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Eighty Thousand Pounds to the Service of the year 1892. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 21st January, 1892. Assented to, 23rd January, 1892.]

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