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## ADMINISTRATOR:

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR ALEXANDER CAMPBELL ONSLOW, KT.

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### SECOND PARLIAMENT—SECOND SESSION.

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### SECOND PARLIAMENT—SECOND SESSION.

*President*:—The Hon. Sir GEORGE SHENTON, Kt.

Member.	Date of Election.	Province.
1. Alexander, The Honourable William ... ..	25th July, 1895	Central
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3. Congdon, The Honourable Daniel Keen ... ..	"	West
4. Crowder, The Honourable Frederick Thomas ... ..	"	South-East
5. Davies, The Honourable Edward William ... ..	"	West
6. Dempster, The Honourable Charles Edward ... ..	"	East
7. Foulkes, The Honourable John Charles Griffiths ... ..	"	South-West
8. Hackett, The Honourable John Winthrop ... ..	"	South-West
9. Hardey, The Honourable Richard Watson ... ..	"	East
10. Haynes, The Honourable Samuel Johnson ... ..	"	South-East
Henty, The Honourable Ernest George* ... ..	"	Central
11. Kidson, The Honourable Alfred Bowman ... ..	18th July, 1895	West
Marshall, The Honourable Thomas Harry † ... ..	16th July, 1894	West
12. McKernan, The Honourable Hugh ... ..	"	Central
13. McLarty, The Honourable Edward ... ..	"	South-West
14. Parker, The Honourable Stephen Henry ... ..	"	Metropolitan
15. Piesse, The Honourable Charles Austin ... ..	"	South-East
16. Richardson, The Honourable John Elliot ... ..	"	North
17. Robinson, The Honourable Edward ... ..	"	North
18. Saunders, The Honourable Henry John ... ..	"	Metropolitan
19. Shenton, The Honourable Sir George, Kt. (President) ... ..	"	Metropolitan
20. Stone, The Honourable Frank Mends ... ..	"	North
21. Wittenoom, The Honourable Edward Horne ... ..	"	Central

\* Deceased, 25th June, 1895.

† Seat declared vacant, 11th July, 1895.

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## SECOND PARLIAMENT—SECOND SESSION.

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3. Connor, F., Esq. ... ..	22nd June, 1894 ... ..	East Kimberley
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33. Wood, B. C., Esq. ... ..	14th June, 1894 ... ..	West Perth

\* Seat declared vacant 4th June; re-elected 17th June, 1895.

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## APPROPRIATION (59 Vic., No. 26)—

An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and from Moneys to Credit of Loan Accounts to the Services of the Year ending the last day of June, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 1st October, 1895. Assented to, 12th October, 1895.]

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An Act to amend the Education Acts, 1871-1894, and to provide for the payment of Compensation to the Managers of Assisted Schools on the cessation of the Grant-in-Aid from Public Funds. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 11th September, 1895. Assented to, 12th October, 1895.]

## ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT (59 Vic., No. 20)—

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## CUSTOMS DUTIES REPEAL ACT (59 Vic., No. 8)—

An Act to repeal the Duties on certain Articles and Things. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 27th June, 1895. Assented to, 28th August, 1895.]

## DANNYBROOK-BRIDGETOWN RAILWAY ACT (59 Vic., No. 32)—

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## DUTIES ON ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS ACT (59 Vic., No. 18)—

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An Act to provide for the better Prevention of Fires caused by Sparks and Cinders from Locomotive Engines, and to facilitate the Recovery of Damages in such cases. [Initiated in the Assembly by Mr. Traylen, 1st October, 1895. Assented to, 12th October, 1895.]

**EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE ACT (59 Vic., No. 3)—**

An Act to confirm certain Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-four. [Initiated in the Assembly by Sir John Forrest, 26th June, 1895. Assented to, 17th July, 1895.]

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**MINT ACT (59 Vic., No. 12)—**

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**PARKS AND RESERVES ACT (59 Vic., No. 30)—**

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