

THIRD READING.

The Bill read was then a third time, and *passed*.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING.

The sitting of the Council was then suspended until five minutes to 4 o'clock.

THE PROROGATION.

At 4 o'clock the President resumed the chair, and announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

Message No. 1.

“W. C. F. ROBINSON,

“Governor.

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“Government House, Perth, 22nd December, 1893.”

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cordingly to WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF MARCH, 1894.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said colony, at Government House, Perth, this 22nd day of December, 1893.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN FORREST,

for Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!!!

The session then closed.

Legislative Assembly.

Friday, 22nd December, 1893.

Electoral Bill: Legislative Council's amendment—Presentation of the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech—Midland Railway Company: payment of interest—Land Titles Index—Water Supply on the Murchison Goldfields—Post Office at Cue, and Mail arrangements on the Murchison Goldfields—Proposed Bonus for early completion of the Murchison (Cue) Telegraph—Motion for Adjournment—Appointment of Teacher of Method—Smoking on Railway Platforms, etc.—Appointment of Inspector of Stock for Southern portions of the Colony—Water Supply for Locomotives between Northam and Southern Cross—Reformatory for Girls—Townsite at “Hanna's Find”—Telegraph line between Southern Cross and Coolgardie—Water Supply for Cossack—Newcastle Railway Station—Midland Railway Company: payment of interest: motion for adjournment—Rockingham-Jarrahdale Railway: freight rates—Appointment of a Civil Service Commission—Prorogation.

THE SPEAKER took the chair at noon.

PRAYERS.

MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

ELECTORAL ROLLS BILL.

The following Message was delivered to and read by Mr. Speaker:—

“Mr. Speaker,

“The Legislative Council acquaints the Legislative Assembly that it has agreed to a Bill intituled ‘An Act to authorise the immediate preparation of the New Electoral Rolls to be compiled in accordance with the Constitution Act Amendment Act, 1893,’ subject to the amendment contained in the schedule annexed; in which amendment the

"Legislative Council desires the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

"Geo. SHENTON,
"President.

"Legislative Council Chamber,
"Perth, 22nd December, 1893."

"Schedule showing the Amendment made
"by the Legislative Council in 'The
"Electoral Rolls Bill.'

"On page 1.—Title—Add the following words to the end: 'and for other purposes.'

"C. LEE STEERE,
"Clerk of the Council.

"22nd December, 1893."

IN COMMITTEE.

The amendment proposed by the Legislative Council was read and was agreed to, *sub silentio*.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, informing them that the Assembly had agreed to the amendment made by them in the Bill.

PRESENTATION OF THE ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

At ten minutes past twelve o'clock, noon, Mr. Speaker, accompanied by members, proceeded to Government House to present the Address-in-Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor upon the opening of Parliament, and having returned,

MR. SPEAKER reported that he had, with members of the House, waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly, agreed to upon the 21st instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to reply as follows:—

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the
"Legislative Assembly,

"I thank you for your Address-in-Reply to the Speech with which I
"opened the session, and for your assurance that careful consideration and
"attention will be given to the matters
"brought before you.

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MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY—PAYMENT OF INTEREST.

MR. DEHAMEL, with leave, without notice, asked the Premier whether the Gov-

ernment had received any information in regard to the intention of the Midland Railway Company, as announced in that morning's paper, "to ask the Government to pay the interest on the debentures of the Company's 1893 loan, in accordance with the terms of the guarantee given by the Government." If so, what action the Government proposed to take?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) said he had much pleasure in giving all the information which the Government possessed, in respect of this matter. He might preface his remarks by saying that if the Company did not pay the interest on the 1st of January, the Government would have to do so, under the terms of the Act of Parliament and the agreement. It was provided also in the agreement and in the Act that in the event of the Government being called upon to meet any claim on account of the Midland Company, they might apply any moneys of the Company in their hands for that purpose. There was about £14,000 in the hands of the Government belonging to the Company (being the amount of their deposit, with accrued interest), and in the event of the Government being called upon to pay the interest due on the Company's loan, or any portion of it, or any other payment on account of the Company, the Government could take the sum required from the amount in hand. The Midland Company had applied to the Government a few days ago, informing them that they were not able to pay interest at the present moment; that they had not arranged their affairs so as to place them in funds, and asking the Government to make the payment. The Government were in communication with the Agent-General and with their legal advisers and their financial advisers in London on the subject, but had not yet received the information they asked for. The Government had not at present come to any decision in the matter. He did not think it would be in the interests of the country or of anyone for the Government to say what they proposed to do in this matter, because they desired, in the first instance, that the Midland Company should pay its interest rather than the Government. Of course the Act and the agreement provided that if the Company did not pay the

interest on this loan, the Government would have to pay it, for protecting the credit of the colony, and this ought to be done on the date specified. It was a serious question as to whether the Government should allow the Company to make default in this matter or not. He was not prepared to make any statement with regard to that, because it had not been considered by the Government; but it was a question which the Government would have seriously to consider in relation to their own credit and that of the colony.

LAND TITLES INDEX.

MR. DEHAMEL, without notice, asked the Premier whether the printing of the index to the names of holders of land, compiled in the Land Titles Office, would be pushed forward as quickly as possible, as he understood it had been in the hands of the Government Printer for six or eight months.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) said there were many things in the hands of the Government Printer, which were wanted. The building extension at the office had caused inconvenience and delay in getting out the printing, and no doubt the printer had been labouring under great disadvantages. He hoped the arrears would soon be overtaken.

WATER SUPPLY ON THE MURCHISON GOLDFIELDS.

MR. DARLOT, in accordance with notice, asked the Commissioner of Crown Lands, whether it was a fact that the officer representing the Government on the Murchison Goldfields was unable to take steps to supply the public with water, in consequence of being denied the necessary funds by the department; if so, what arrangements had been made?

THE COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS (Hon. W. E. Marmion) replied: No; it is not a fact. A very large requisition for various goods was received from the officer in charge of the water supply on this goldfield a few months ago, and some delay occurred in supplying it, owing to the absence at Yilgarn of the Superintendent of Water Supply, but with the exception of one or two items everything has since been supplied.

POST OFFICE AT CUE, AND MAIL ARRANGEMENTS ON THE MURCHISON GOLDFIELDS.

MR. DARLOT: I rise to ask the Premier—(a) Do the Government purpose erecting post office premises at the Cue; if so, when; and what arrangements have the Government made at the various mining centres on the Murchison goldfields for the receipt and delivery of mails, the issue and receipt of post office orders, and the necessary provisions for a Government Savings Bank? (b) Do the Government purpose making immediate arrangements for an efficient and convenient gold escort?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied as follows:—(a) 1. The Government intend to erect public buildings at Cue, on the Murchison goldfields, as soon as plans are prepared. They will comprise Warden's Court, Warden's quarters, post office, &c. 2. There are three post offices on the Murchison goldfield, viz., at Cue, Nannine, and Mount Magnet, all of which are connected by regular mail services, which also extend to the Horseshoe Bend and Mount Labouchere. 3. Until post offices are properly formed, with postmasters trained to the duties, it is inexpedient to establish money order system or savings bank. This will be arranged as soon as buildings are erected. (b) As regards the gold escort, the matter is now under consideration, and will receive the careful attention of the Government.

PROPOSED BONUS FOR EARLY COMPLETION OF THE MURCHISON (CUE) TELEGRAPH.

MR. DARLOT, in accordance with notice, asked the Director of Public Works whether the Government had arranged to transmit and receive messages each fifty miles as the telegraph line to Cue was completed, and did they propose offering a bonus for the completion of the telegraph line by the 31st May next?

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. H. W. Venn) replied: Arrangements have been made to receive and transmit messages each fifty miles as the telegraph line is completed (or at convenient places). The Government do not contemplate offering a bonus for the completion of the line by 31st May.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

MR. SIMPSON, at a later stage, moved the adjournment of the House in order to call attention to the reply of the Director of Public Works. He said it was of extreme importance that there should be an early completion of this line. He knew that there were tens of thousands invested on the Murchison field, and the absence of telegraphic communication retarded the development of the field and the introduction of more capital and labour. He believed that a reasonable bonus for the early completion of this work would pay the colony splendidly, as an earlier revenue would be derived from the line. He knew of one capitalist largely interested in the Murchison who had to pay 50 sovereigns to get a special message through to the other colonies.

MR. TRAYLEN seconded the motion, but said it was an extremely vicious principle that had been advocated by the hon. member. If anything, it was a reflection upon the department for having given so long a time for the completion of the line. Bonuses should be given only in exceptional cases, such as the pushing on of the Yilgarn Railway, which was made absolutely necessary by the influx of people to the fields and the discovery of Coolgardie.

MR. R. F. SHOLL said a great mistake had been made in granting the contractors 12 months in which to finish the line. The only hope for this colony lay in the development of its mineral resources, and a bonus was justified in this instance. He should like to draw attention to another matter.

THE SPEAKER: The hon. member will not be in order in alluding to any other matter than that in respect of which the motion for adjournment was made.

MR. A. FORREST said most of the goldfields would justify a small bonus being spent upon them. The reason for the long time allowed in the construction of this line was that the poles and material had to be carted from Geraldton, a distance of over 300 miles.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. H. W. Venn) said the hon. member for the Gascoyne seemed to pass a reflection upon the Government for want of foresight. Seeing the distance the material had to be carted, twelve months was a reasonable time to allow.

If the Government could hasten on the work they would do so; but he did not think they would be justified in expending money on a bonus.

MR. SIMPSON said that since this contract was let, the field had leapt from a 5oz. to a 12oz. field—a thing perhaps unprecedented. The Premier might laugh when he said this, but it was the laugh of ignorance as to what was going on there. There was about £10,000 worth of gold now wandering about the district—no one knew where, owing to the absence of means of communication—and the whereabouts of which was a source of great anxiety to the owners. Giving a bonus in this instance was not forming a precedent, as a bonus had been given before. If the Government wanted to block the Murchison, for the sake of some red-tape rule, hon. members should know of it. He asked, as an alternative, that the contractor should be allowed, as an inducement for quicker work, to charge for sending messages over the line wherever he could. This might hasten the completion of the line.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) objected to the remark of the hon. member for Geraldton, as to the Government wishing to stop the progress of this goldfield. That would be perfectly absurd. No doubt the hon. member was anxious about the £10,000 of gold wandering in the bush; but surely it was under proper escort. The line would be opened in sections of 50 miles. If the Government could make arrangements for the work to be carried on quicker it would be done. But he did not believe in the bonus system. Naturally, it would pay the contractors best to push on the contract as fast as possible for their own sake. His friend, the Director of Public Works, had entered into a calculation as to the carting that would have to be done in connection with this contract, backwards and forwards, and it came to about 83,000 miles.

MR. DEHAMEL said he was glad to hear the Premier calling attention to the dangerous principle of bonuses, though the hon. gentleman himself was the prime originator of bonuses in that House. Only last session they had a bonus given, before the House ever met, to Mr. Keane, to induce him to complete the Yilgarn Railway a little bit sooner than contract

time; and he really did not see why the Government should make fish of one and flesh of another.

THE COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS (Hon. W. E. Marmion) said the Government were fully alive to their responsibilities in this matter. With the professional opinion at his back, the Minister ought to know better than any hon. member what time should be allowed.

Motion for adjournment put and negatived.

APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER OF METHOD.

MR. LOTON (for **MR. CONNOR**) asked the Premier—1. Whether the vacancy for the office of Teacher of Method in the Education Department had been duly advertised in this colony and at Home, or whether the appointment was a matter of private influence on the part of the Colonial Secretary? 2. Whether, in the event of the appointment not being already made, the Government would, for the purpose of securing the most competent man, advertise for applications? 3. Whether in future all such appointments would be made without any notice or advertisement to the public that such office is open?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied:—1. The appointment of Mr. McLagan was made after due inquiry, with testimonials which eminently qualified him for the position. 2. He was strongly recommended by the Chief Inspector of Schools as being thoroughly competent. He was personally unknown to the Colonial Secretary. 3. This must be left to the discretion of the Government.

SMOKING ON RAILWAY PLATFORMS, ETC.

MR. TRAYLEN, in accordance with notice, asked the Commissioner of Railways whether it was his intention to enforce the by-laws against smoking on railway platforms, waiting rooms, and sheds?

THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS (Hon. H. W. Venn) said the by-law was being enforced at the present time.

APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTOR FOR STOCK FOR SOUTHERN PORTIONS OF THE COLONY.

MR. MONGER, in accordance with notice, asked the Premier: 1. Whether it was a fact that an arrangement had been entered into by the Government in which the services of a gentleman had been engaged to act as Inspector of Stock in the Southern portions of the colony, at a higher salary than that paid to the Chief Inspector? 2. What were the terms upon which the engagement was made?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied: 1. The Government have engaged the services of Mr. Henry H. Edwards as veterinary surgeon for one year, from the 1st of February next, at the rate of £50 per month, to include all travelling expenses except railway fares. 2. He is appointed for the whole colony, but if he goes further North than Northampton or further East than 20 miles from the principal towns in the Eastern districts, his expenses will be paid. 3. The Government made inquiries from the Government of Victoria, and have been assured of Mr. Edwards' competency. 4. His first duties will be in connection with the disease known as "rickets" or "wobbles."

WATER SUPPLY FOR LOCOMOTIVES BETWEEN NORTHAM AND SOUTHERN CROSS.

MR. PIESSE, on behalf of **MR. THROSELL**, in accordance with notice, asked the Commissioner of Railways what provision was being made for a water supply for locomotive purposes between Northam and Southern Cross?

THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS (Hon. H. W. Venn) replied: Designs have been prepared for ten (10) tanks, but only two of these will be completed before the railway is opened. One of them is already completed, and arrangements have been made for the other to be put in hand immediately. This will enable the railway to be worked for some time pending the completion of the other ones. The two tanks referred to are about 80 miles apart; the one which is completed being at Kellerberin, and the one about to be undertaken being at the Parker's Road crossing. Pending completion of the other tanks, it will be necessary to carry one or two running

tanks with each train, but this can easily be done as long as the traffic remains light.

REFORMATORY FOR GIRLS.

MR. SOLOMON, without notice, asked the Premier whether the attention of the Government had been called to the case of the two young girls, Emma and Phoebe Cooper, who were recently brought before the Perth Police Court, and whether the Government, during the recess, would take into consideration the advisability of establishing a reformatory for unfortunate girls of tender age?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) said that the only knowledge he had of the case referred to was what he had derived from a letter that he saw in that morning's paper. The matter had not come before him officially in any way. It may have come before the Colonial Secretary, whose department had to deal with such matters. He was informed that the existing Industrial Schools and Reformatory Act provided all that was necessary for dealing with such cases; the only difficulty was the want of a building where these unfortunate children could be accommodated. Of course the Government would take this matter into their serious consideration if the facts as stated in the newspaper were correct.

TOWNSITE AT "HANNAN'S FIND."

MR. MONGER, without notice, asked the Commissioner of Crown Lands whether the Government intended to have a townsite declared at "Hannan's Find," and what was the reason of the delay in proclaiming a townsite there?

THE COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS (Hon. W. E. Marmion) said it was intended to declare a townsite at "Hannan's Find," and the only reason for the delay was the holiday time, most of the officers on the field being now absent on leave. As soon as work was resumed, a survey of the townsite would be made.

TELEGRAPH LINE BETWEEN SOUTH-EERN CROSS AND COOLGARDIE.

MR. A. FORREST, without notice, asked the Director of Public Works when

tenders would be called for the construction of the telegraph line between South-ern Cross and Coolgardie.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. H. W. Venn) said the material had been indented for some little time ago, and the moment they received advices from London that it had been shipped, tenders would be called for the work.

WATER SUPPLY FOR COSSACK.

MR. H. W. SHOLL, without notice, asked whether the Government, during the recess, would make inquiries as to the probable cost of a water supply for Cossack?

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. H. W. Venn) said the hon. member's question opened up rather a wide subject. Of course, if it was the wish of the House that the necessary expenditure should be incurred in surveys for a water supply for Cossack, doubtlessly the Government would undertake that survey. But it would be an expensive undertaking, as the water would have to be brought down, by means of gravitation, for a considerable distance.

NEWCASTLE RAILWAY STATION.

MR. CLARKSON, without notice, asked the Commissioner of Railways when Newcastle was going to be provided with a railway station?

THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS (Hon. H. W. Venn) said the matter was under consideration, and he hoped that, before very long, steps would be taken to supply the wants of Newcastle in the shape of a new railway station.

MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY: PAYMENT OF INTEREST.

MR. R. F. SHOLL said he wished to move the adjournment of the House, in order to draw attention to—

THE SPEAKER: The hon. member cannot do it. A motion for adjournment has already been made, and, according to our Standing Orders, not more than one such motion can be made upon the same day.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) moved that the House do now adjourn until 4 o'clock, p.m.

MR. R. F. SHOLL moved, as an amendment, that the House adjourn until the following day, to enable him to bring forward a matter of the greatest importance to the colony, relating to the answer given by the Premier, a few minutes ago, to a question as to the Government paying the interest on the Midland Railway Company's debentures.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) said of course he should be very glad to hear what the hon. member had to say, but he thought the hon. member was not asking what was reasonable when he asked to have the session prolonged, in order to interfere and take out of the hands of the Government a matter for which they were constitutionally responsible. An agreement had been made, and upon it an Act of Parliament had been passed, providing, among other things, that if the Company made default in the payment of interest on the loan which had been guaranteed by this colony, the Government should pay the interest out of any moneys of the Company which might be in hand at the time. The Government had to do what was laid down in the agreement and the Act; therefore the carrying out of this duty should be left to them.

MR. R. F. SHOLL replied by contending that the Government ought not to pay the interest, but leave the Company to make default. Then this colony would know its position in the matter.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (Hon. S. Burt) said it was not for an individual member of the House to construe this agreement. The Executive Government had to carry out the law, as laid down in the Act based upon that agreement. One member of this House should not stand up and dictate to the Government the action they should take, when that action was clearly laid down in the statute and the agreement which constituted a contract. What the Government did in the matter they would be answerable for, and to them should be left the responsibility. So long as the Government had moneys of the Company in hand, no default could be made by the Company in the payment of interest due on the loan, because the Act expressly provided that such moneys

should be applied by the Government towards the payment of the interest. Therefore, so long as the Government had such moneys in hand, no default could be made by the Company; and, until default was made, the Company's railway could not be forfeited. No matter what the Company's past history might have been, this agreement must be carried out in accordance with its terms, and not otherwise.

MR. LOTON hoped the hon. member would be satisfied to leave this matter in the hands of the Government. He failed to see what was to be gained by any further discussion of the matter. There was the original contract and a subsequent agreement, and an Act which confirmed that agreement; and upon these documents, whatever action was taken, must be based. The House could not now interfere with the agreement entered into, and the Act of Parliament confirming it; and the responsibility of dealing with the matter must be left to the Executive. They all knew that, according to the agreement, if the Company did not pay the interest, the Government must.

Amendment put and negatived, and motion agreed to.

The Speaker, at 25 minutes past one o'clock, left the chair until four o'clock p.m.

The Speaker resumed the chair at four p.m.

ROCKINGHAM-JARRAHDALE RAILWAY CHARGES.

MR. PATERSON, without notice, asked the Commissioner of Railways whether he was aware that the Rockingham Jarrah Timber Company were charging rates which quite prohibited persons from sending goods to Jarrahdale by the Company's railway?

THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS (Hon. H. W. Venn) replied: I am quite unaware that the Company are doing so.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

MR. SOLOMON, without notice, asked the Premier whether anything had been

done about appointing a Commission of Inquiry into the Civil Service, in accordance with a resolution passed by the House in the last session.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied: The matter has been considered by the Government, and we hope in a short time to appoint a commission.

MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT.

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By His Excellency's Command,
JOHN FORREST,
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