

## Legislative Council,

Friday, 22nd January, 1892.

Municipal Institutions Act Amendment Bill: third reading—Supreme Court Act Amendment Bill: third reading—Affirmations Bill: third reading—Game Bill: third reading—Death of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale: telegraphing of Address of Condolence—Supply Bill: first reading: second reading: committee: third reading—Geraldton-Mullewa Railway Bill: first reading—Bills of Sale Act Amendment Bill: committee—Yilgarn Railway Bill: second reading: committee: third reading—Adjournment.

THE PRESIDENT (Sir T. Cockburn-Campbell, Bart.) took the chair at 3 o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

MUNICIPAL INSTITUTIONS ACT  
AMENDMENT BILL.

This bill was read a third time and passed.

SUPREME COURT ACT AMENDMENT  
BILL.

This bill was read a third time and passed.

## AFFIRMATIONS BILL.

This bill was read a third time and passed.

## GAME BILL.

This bill was read a third time and passed.

DEATH OF THE DUKE OF CLARENCE  
AND AVONDALE.

THE PRESIDENT announced the receipt of the following message from the Legislative Assembly:—

"Mr. President,

"The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Resolution that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, requesting him to communicate by telegraph to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for presentation to Her Majesty the Queen, the Address to Her Majesty which has been agreed to by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia—expressing their sympathy and sorrow for Her Majesty on the death of the Duke

of Clarence and Avondale—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

"JAS. G. LEE STEERE,  
"Speaker."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. G. Shenton): I move that the Council do concur in the Address to His Excellency the Administrator, as expressed in the message from the Legislative Assembly.

Question—put and passed.

## SUPPLY BILL (£80,000).

This bill was received from the Legislative Assembly, and read a first time.

The Standing Orders were suspended.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. G. Shenton): I now move the second reading of this bill, the object of which is to provide the Government with funds to carry on with until the Estimates are passed.

Question—put and passed.

The bill was then taken through its remaining stages and passed.

GERALDTON-MULLEWA RAILWAY  
BILL.

This bill was received from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time.

BILLS OF SALE ACT AMENDMENT  
BILL.

This bill was considered in committee and agreed to, without amendment.

NORTHAM-SOUTHERN CROSS (YIL-  
GARN) RAILWAY BILL.

## SECOND READING.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY (Hon. G. Shenton): I have now, sir, to move the second reading of this bill, which is to authorise the construction of a line of railway between Northam and Southern Cross. There has been so much discussion already on this bill that it is needless for me to take up the time of the House here by going into the *pros* and *cons* of the routes. The Government, in selecting Northam in preference to York, were guided, in the first instance, by the Engineer-in-Chief, who recommended this starting point for two reasons. The first was that there would be a saving of 15 miles over

the York route, and in the second place that the Government were already running a short spur line from Spencer's Brook to Northam at a loss; whereas, if it were part of the main line to the fields, there would be an immense saving in the cost. As to the railway itself, there is no doubt that until it is completed we shall never be able to properly develop the mines, owing to the great expense of transport of both necessities and machinery. I hope hon. members will agree to pass this bill at once, so that the Government may get on with the permanent surveys.

Question—put and passed.

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY** (Hon. G. Shenton): I now move that the Standing Orders be suspended, so that the bill may pass through its remaining stages. This is the first time this session that I have asked the House to grant me this, except as to the Supply Bill; and I only ask it now because the survey parties are waiting to get on with the work, and nothing can be done until this bill is passed.

**THE HON. J. W. HACKETT**: I second this motion with pleasure. I believe there are three survey parties waiting to commence work, and if this bill is passed at once it will save a large amount of money.

Question—put and passed.

The bill was then taken through its remaining stages and *passed*, without amendment.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The Council, at 3.45 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, 27th January, at 8 p.m.

## Legislative Assembly,

Friday, 22nd January, 1892.

Geraldton-Mullewa Railway Bill: third reading—Police Bill: re-committed—Bankruptcy Bill: in committee—Adjournment.

**THE SPEAKER** took the chair at 2.30 p.m.

#### PRAYERS.

#### GERALDTON-MULLEWA RAILWAY BILL.

Read a third time, and transmitted to the Legislative Council.

#### POLICE BILL.

On the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Committee's report,

**THE ATTORNEY GENERAL** (Hon. S. Burt) moved that the report be adopted.

Agreed to.

Clause 96 (reverted to)—Travelling live stock through town streets at certain hours:

**THE ATTORNEY GENERAL** (Hon. S. Burt) said it would be remembered, that considerable discussion took place on this clause in committee—(*vide p. 347, ante*)—objection being taken to the prohibition against sheep being driven through the streets except at certain hours, between 10 at night and 8 in the morning. He now moved that all the words after "morning" be struck out, and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof—"And the local authority is hereby empowered to define, by notice to be published in the *Government Gazette*, the route by which any horses, cattle and sheep, with the exception as aforesaid, shall be driven, and after such publication no cattle, horses, or sheep shall be driven by any other route." The effect of that would be to enable sheep being driven through a town at any time of the day, but only by a route to be defined by the municipal or other local authority.

Amendment put and passed.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill reported.