

The third reading was accordingly made an Order of the Day for Monday, 14th November.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at 8.10 p.m.

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**Legislative Council,**

*Friday, 11th November, 1892.*

Leave of Absence to Hon. E. T. Hooley—Address-in-Reply: presentation of—Adjournment.

THE PRESIDENT (Hon. G. Shenton) took the chair at 3 o'clock.

PRAYERS.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.

THE HON. J. MORRISON moved that leave of absence for one month, on account of urgent private business, be granted to the Hon. E. T. Hooley.

Question—put and passed.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY—PRESENTATION OF.

At half-past three o'clock, the Council adjourned to present the Address-in-Reply to His Excellency's Speech.

The Council re-assembled at five and twenty minutes to four o'clock.

The President took the chair, and announced that the Address adopted by the Council on the 8th instant had been presented to His Excellency the Governor, and that His Excellency had made the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,—

I thank you for your Address-in-Reply to the Speech with which I opened the

session, and am confident that your best efforts will be, as heretofore, devoted to advancing the interests of the colony.

Government House, Perth, 11th November, 1892.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council at 3.40 p.m. adjourned until Tuesday, 15th November, at 3 o'clock p.m.

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**Legislative Assembly,**

*Friday, 11th November, 1892.*

Government Cottage, Fremantle: Repairs and Rental—Fremantle-Rockingham Telegraph Line—Perth Gas Company's Act Amendment (Private) Bill: first reading: referred to select committee—Return of Pastoral Leases and Land Rentals in the Eastern Division—Safety of Defences Bill: third reading—Adjournment.

THE SPEAKER took the chair at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

GOVERNMENT COTTAGE, FREMANTLE.

MR. SOLOMON, in accordance with notice, asked the Colonial Treasurer,—

1st. The cost incurred in repairing the Government Cottage at Fremantle, lately in the occupation of the ex-Collector of Customs.

2nd. The annual rental for which the cottage was let to the present tenant, and whether on lease or otherwise.

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied,—

(1.) That the work was done by prison labor. The materials cost about £120, which included new roofing.

(2.) That the annual rent was £100, and the premises were leased for five years from 14th September last.

## ERECTION OF FREMANTLE-ROCKINGHAM TELEGRAPH LINE.

MR. SOLOMON, in accordance with notice, asked the Director of Public Works when the Government intended to erect a telegraph line from Fremantle to Rockingham, for which purpose a vote of £500 was placed on the estimates last session.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (Hon. H. W. Venn) replied that tenders would be called for this work very shortly.

## PERTH GAS COMPANY'S ACT AMENDMENT (PRIVATE) BILL.

MR. CANNING, in accordance with notice, moved for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "An Act to amend 'The Perth Gas Company's Act, 1886,' and to extend the powers and privileges of the Company."

Question—put and passed.

MR. CANNING moved that the Bill be now read a first time.

THE SPEAKER having reported that the Clerk of the Assembly had certified that the Bill was in accordance with the Standing Rules and Orders relating to Private Bills,—

The motion was agreed to.

Bill read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

MR. CANNING moved that the select committee to report upon the Bill consist, in addition to the mover, of Mr. Sholl, Mr. A. Forrest, Mr. Loton, and Mr. Simpson.

Question—put and passed.

## RETURN SHOWING PASTORAL LEASES AND LAND RENTALS IN EASTERN DIVISION.

MR. MONGER, in accordance with notice, moved that there be laid on the table of this House a return showing all holders of pastoral leases in the Eastern division of the colony; and the areas and amounts of rent paid for same.

Agreed to.

## SAFETY OF DEFENCES BILL.

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

## ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at a quarter to 3 o'clock p.m.

## Legislative Assembly,

Monday, 14th November, 1892.

Prohibition of *Hansard* Reporters from supplying copies of Speeches to the Press—Position of Gnarlbine Gold-find—Investigation of Charge re Kidnapping Natives—Public Health Act Further Amendment Bill: first reading—Issue of Certificates of Land Titles to Midland Railway Company—Treasury Bills Bill: third reading—Adjournment.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at 7.30 p.m.

## PRAYERS.

## PROHIBITION OF HANSARD REPORTERS FROM SUPPLYING COPIES OF SPEECHES TO PRESS.

MR. MONGER, in accordance with notice, asked the Premier: Is it a fact that the *Hansard* reporters of the Legislative Assembly have been prohibited from supplying copies of the speeches delivered by hon. members for publication in the newspapers; and, if so, why?

THE PREMIER (Hon. Sir J. Forrest) replied: I beg to state that the Government have not prohibited them from supplying copies to the Press, and have no objection, in present circumstances, to their doing so; but as the reporters have been placed under the control of the hon. the Speaker, representations upon the subject should be made to him.

## POSITION OF GNARLBINE GOLDFIND.

MR. TRAYLEN, in accordance with notice, asked the Commissioner of Crown Lands whether the Gnarlbine goldfind is within the area lately sold to a syndicate for £27,000.