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- Page 677—Mines Estimates, second col. near bottom—for “Coolgardie” read “Boogardie.”
- „ 678— ditto, first col. middle—read “Boogardie.”
- „ 709— ditto, first col., line 8—for “Mines Department” read “item.”
- Page 816—Electoral Bill, second col., amendment near bottom should read—“That paragraph (a) of Subclause 1 be struck out.”
- Page 1193—Government Railways Bill, first col. middle—for “increase of pay” read “extension of pay period.”
- Page 1874—Fremantle Dock Bill, second col., member’s name—for “North” read “North-East.”
- Page 1533—Estimates (Agriculture), first col. middle—for “£2,000,000” read “£1,000,000.”
- Page 1719—Bunbury Harbour Trust Bill, first col. near middle—for “to revenue” read “from revenue.”
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LEGISLATURE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

GOVERNOR:

HIS EXCELLENCY ADMIRAL SIR FREDERICK GEORGE DENHAM BEDFORD, G.C.B.

THE MINISTRY:

SIXTH PARLIAMENT—FOURTH SESSION.

Premier and Minister for Lands	THE HON. NEWTON JAMES MOORE, M.L.A.
Colonial Treasurer and Minister for Agriculture	THE HON. FRANK WILSON, M.L.A.
Minister for Mines and Railways	THE HON. HENRY GREGORY, M.L.A.
Attorney General	THE HON. NORBERT KEENAN, M.L.A.
Minister for Works	THE HON. JAMES PRICE, M.L.A.
Colonial Secretary	THE HON. JAMES DANIEL CONNOLLY, M.L.C.
Minister without Portfolio	THE HON. JAMES MITCHELL, M.L.A.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

SIXTH PARLIAMENT—FOURTH SESSION.

President:—The Honourable Henry Briggs.

Chairman of Committees:—The Honourable Walter Kingsmill.

Member.	Date of Election.	Province.
1. Bellingham, The Honourable George	May, 1902	South
2. Briggs, The Honourable Henry	May, 1904	West
3. Brimage,* The Honourable Thomas Frederick Outridge	May, 1906	North-East
4. Clarke, The Honourable Ephraim Mayo	May, 1902	South-West
5. Connolly,* The Honourable James Daniel	May, 1906	North-East
6. Connor, The Honourable Francis	June, 1906	North
7. Drew,* The Honourable John Michael	May, 1902	Central
8. Glowroy, The Honourable John Thomas	May, 1906	South
9. Hackett,* The Honourable John Winthrop	May, 1906	South-West
10. Hamersley, The Honourable Vernon	August, 1904	East
11. Haynes, The Honourable Samuel Johnson	May, 1904	South-East
12. Kingsmill, The Honourable Walter	May, 1904	M't'p'n Sub'n
13. Lane, The Honourable Zebina	May, 1904	M't'p'n Sub'n
14. Langsford,* The Honourable Joseph Wood	May, 1906	M't'p'n Sub'n
15. Laurie,* The Honourable Robert	May, 1906	West
16. Loton, The Honourable William Thorley	May, 1902	East
17. McKenzie, The Honourable Robert Donald	May, 1904	North-East
18. McLarty, The Honourable Edward	May, 1904	South-West
19. Maley,* The Honourable Wesley	May, 1906	South-East
20. Moss, The Honourable Matthew Lewis, K.C.	May, 1902	West
21. Oats, The Honourable William	May, 1904	South
22. Patrick, The Honourable William	May, 1904	Central
23. †Pennefather, The Honourable Richard William, K.C.	February, 1907	North
24. Piesse, The Honourable Charles Austin	May, 1902	South-East
25. Randell, The Honourable George	May, 1904	Metropolitan
26. Sholl, The Honourable Robt. Fredk.	May, 1904	North
27. Sommers,* The Honourable Charles	May, 1906	Metropolitan
28. Thomson, The Honourable Joseph Angus	May, 1902	Central
29. Throssell, The Honourable George	August, 1907	East
30. Wright, The Honourable James William	May, 1902	Metropolitan

Notes.—Star (*) after name signifies re-election at the end of last term ended April, 1906.

Hon. J. D.

Connolly re-elected as a Minister.

† Hon. B. W. Pennefather elected, Sir E. H. Wittenoom

resigned.

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SIXTH PARLIAMENT—FOURTH SESSION.

Speaker:—The Honourable TIMOTHY FRANCIS QUINLAN.*Chairman of Committees*:—HENRY DAGLISH, Esq.

Member.	When Elected.	District.
1. Angwin, William Charles, Esq. ...	November, 1906 ...	Fremantle, East
2. Barnett, Edward Charles, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Albany
3. Bath,* Thomas Henry, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Brown Hill
4. Bolton,* Harry Edward, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Fremantle, North
5. Brebber, James, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Perth, North
6. Brown,* Harry, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Perth
7. Brown, Thomas Leishman, Esq. ...	November, 1906 ...	Geraldton
8. Butcher,* William James, Esq. ...	November, 1905 ...	Gascoyne
9. Collier, Philip, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Boulder
10. Cowcher,* Geo. Stanlyford Francis, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Williams
11. Daglish,* Henry, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Subiaco
12. Davies, Arthur Elvin, Esq. ...	July, 1906 ...	Fremantle, South
13. Draper, Thomas Percy, Esq. ...	September, 1907 ...	Perth, West
14. Eddy, William Treize, Esq. ...	July, 1906 ...	Coolgardie
15. Ewing, John, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Collie
16. Foulkes,* John Charles Griffiths, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Claremont
17. Gordon,* William Beattie, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Canning
18. Gregory,* The Hon. Henry ...	Do. ...	Menzies
19. Gull, Arthur Courthope, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Swan
20. Hardwick,* John Edward, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Perth, East
21. Hayward,* Thomas, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Wellington
22. Heitmann,* Edward Ernest, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Cue
23. Hicks,* John Sydney, Esq. ...	November, 1905 ...	Roebourne
24. Holman,* John Barkell, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Murchison
25. Horan,* Austin Alvis, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Yilgarn
26. Hudson, Charles Arthur, Esq. ...	November, 1905 ...	Dundas
27. Johnson, William Dartnell, Esq. ...	July, 1906 ...	Guildford
28. Keenan, The Hon. Norbert ...	Oct., 1905, re-elected ...	Kalgoorlie
29. Layman,* Charles Henry, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Nelson
30. Male, Arthur, Esq. ...	November, 1905 ...	Kimberley
31. McLarty,* John Pollard, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Murray
32. Mitchell, The Hon. James ...	Do. ...	Northam
33. Monger, Frederick Charles, Esq. ...	Do. ...	York
34. Moore,* The Hon. Newton James ...	Do. ...	Bunbury
35. Moore,* Samuel Fortescue, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Irwin
36. Piesse,* The Hon. Fred. Henry, C.M.G. ...	Do. ...	Katanning
37. Price, The Hon. James ...	Do. re-elected ...	Fremantle
38. Quinlan,* The Hon. Timothy Francis ...	October, 1905 ...	Toodyay
39. Scaddan,* John, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Ivanhoe
40. Smith, Horace, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Beverley
41. Stone, Patrick, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Greenough
42. Stuart, Julian Alex. Salmon, Esq. ...	November, 1906 ...	Mount Leonora
43. Taylor,* George, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Mount Margaret
44. Troy,* Michael Francis, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Mount Magnet
45. Underwood, Rufus Henry, Esq. ...	August, 1906 ...	Pilbarra
46. Varyard, John, Esq. ...	October, 1905 ...	Balkatta
47. Walker, Thomas, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Kanowna
48. Ware, F. John, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Hannans
49. Wilson,* Albert James, Esq. ...	Do. ...	Forrest
50. Wilson,* The Hon. Frank ...	Do. ...	Sussex

NOTES.—Star (*) after name signifies the Member sat in last Assembly.

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BEING THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

Agricultural Bank Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 12)—

An Act to amend the Agricultural Bank Act 1906. Introduced by the Premier, 16th October. Assent given.

Appropriation Act (7 Ed., No. 17)—

An Act to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament. Assent given.

Brands Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 14)—

An Act to amend the Brands Act 1904. Introduced by the Premier, 16th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Cue Roads Board Rate Validation Act (7 Ed., No. 28)—

An Act to validate a Rate levied. Assent given.

Electoral Act (7 Ed., No. 27)—

An Act to regulate Parliamentary Elections. Introduced in Assembly by the Attorney General, 9th October; discussions prolonged in Committee, a continuous sitting from Thursday night to Friday midnight, resulting in a compromise as to certain contentious clauses; third reading passed on division by 27 to 14. Received in Council 4th December; passed all stages. Assent given.

Excess Act (7 Ed., No. 20)—

An Act to confirm certain excess expenditure incurred during five years ending 1906. Introduced by the Premier, 18th December; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Fremantle Graving Dock Act (7 Ed., No. 22)—

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Graving Dock at Fremantle. Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 10th October, amendment on third reading (six months) negatived on division by 28 to 8. Received in Council 6th December; second reading passed on division by 13 to 12; third reading passed without division. Assent given.

Game Act Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 18)—

An Act to amend the Game Act 1892. Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 12th December; passed all stages. Received in Assembly and passed. Assent given.

Government Railways Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 29)—

An Act to amend the Government Railways Act 1904. Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Railways, 9th October, providing particularly for the appointment and salary of a Commissioner, and discussed mainly as to principles of management; third reading affirmed on division by 21 to 11. Received in Council 18th December; passed all stages. Assent given.

Land and Income Tax Assessment Act (7 Ed., No. 15)—

An Act to regulate the Assessment of Land and Income for the purpose of Taxation. Introduced in Assembly by the Treasurer, 9th October; lengthy discussions in Committee as to exemptions, numerous amendments moved; Bill passed substantially as introduced. Received in Council 3rd December, second reading affirmed on division by 15 to 7, amended so that tax not to apply to first half-year, Bill passed. Assent given.

Land and Income Tax Act [to impose a tax], (7 Ed., No. 16)—

An Act to impose a Land Tax and an Income Tax. Introduced in Assembly by the Treasurer, 9th October; discussed as to reducing the tax; third reading (amendment three months) affirmed on division by 18 to 14. Received in Council 3rd December, amended consequentially by not applying tax to first half-year, Bill passed. Assent given.

Marine Insurance Act (7 Ed., No. 33)—

An Act to codify the Law relating to Marine Insurance. Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 8th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Marriage Act Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 7)—

An Act to farther amend the Marriage Act 1894. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 8th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Mount Magnet-Black Range Railway Act (7 Ed., No. 21)—

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Railway from Mount Magnet to Black Range. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 9th October, second reading affirmed on division by 34 to 3, Bill passed. Received in Council 12th December, passed all stages. Assent given.

Narrogin-Wickepin Railway Act (7 Ed., No. 26)—

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Railway from Narrogin to Wickepin. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier 9th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Navigation Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 9)—

An Act to amend the Navigation Act 1904. Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 29th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Nedlands Park Tramways Act (7 Ed., No. 30)—

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order authorising the construction of certain Tramways in the Municipal District of Subiaco and the Claremont Road District. Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 16th October; discussed as to policy of permitting private promoters to control tramways, second reading affirmed on division by 23 to 13; third reading passed. Received in Council and passed. Assent given.

Newcastle-Bolgart Railway Act (7 Ed., No. 32)—

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Railway from Newcastle to Bolgart. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 4th December; second reading affirmed on division by 26 to 12. Received in Council 18th December; passed. Assent given.

North Fremantle Municipal Tramways Act (7 Ed., No. 25)—

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order authorising the Construction of Tramways (etc.). Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 16th October; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Permanent Reserve Rededication Act (7 Ed., No. 11)—

An Act to enable the purpose of portion of permanent reserve numbered A/3078 to be changed (a reserve at Subiaco to be set apart for use by Seventh Day Adventist religious body); passed both Houses. Assent given.

Pinjarra-Marrinup Railway Act (7 Ed., No. 23)—

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Railway from Pinjarra to Marrinup. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 26th November; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Police Act Amendment Act [Pearl Stealing] (7 Ed., No. 10)—

An Act to amend the Police Act 1892. Introduced in Assembly by Mr. A. Male (Kimberley), 5th November; passed both Houses. Assent given.

Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act Amendment Act (7 Ed., No. 19)—

An Act to amend the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act 1894. Passed both Houses. Assent given.

Roads and Streets Closure Act (7 Ed., No. 13)—

An Act for the Closing of certain Roads and Streets or portions thereof. Passed both Houses. Assent given.

Sale of Government Property Act (7 Ed., No. 8)—

An Act to regulate the disposition of the proceeds of Sales of Government Property, and for other purposes. Passed both Houses. Assent given.

State Children Act [Infant Life Protection] (7 Ed., No. 31) —

An Act to make better provision for the Protection, Control, Maintenance, and Reformation of Neglected and Destitute Children, and for other purposes. Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 22nd October; referred to select committee, recommendations discussed, Bill passed. Received in Assembly 26th November; discussed at length as to licensing young persons to sell newspapers in streets, evenings or Sundays particularly; Bill passed. Assent given.

Wonnerup-Nannup Railway Act (7 Ed., No. 24) —

An Act to authorise the Construction of a Railway from Jarrahwood to Nannup as an extension. Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 6th November; passed both Houses. Assent given.

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Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 3rd December; passed all stages. Received in Council 17th December; third reading negatived last day on division by 9 to 6.

District Fire Brigades Bill—

Introduced in Assembly by the Attorney General, 17th October; passed all stages. Received in Council 13th December, read first time, order discharged on motion by Hon. M. L. Moss.

Government Trading Accounts Bill—

Introduced in Assembly by the Treasurer, 9th October; not proceeded with.

Limited Partnerships Bill—

Introduced in Council by Hon. M. L. Moss, second reading affirmed, Bill discharged.

Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Amendment Bill—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 12th December; passed all stages. Received in Council 20th December; not proceeded with.

Police Force Bill (consolidation)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 10th October; passed all stages. Received in Assembly 23rd October; not proceeded with.

Public Health Bill (consolidation)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 9th October; referred to select committee, recommendations discussed, Bill passed. Received in Assembly 26th November; second reading discussed as to increase of powers to Central Board, debate unfinished.

Sand Drift Amendment Bill—

Introduced in Council by Hon. M. L. Moss, 6th November; discussed as to overcoming technical objections for abating nuisance from sand drift in municipalities; Bill passed. Received in Assembly 20th November; not completed.

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