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GOVERNOR:

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

THE MINISTRY:

FOURTH PARLIAMENT—THIRD SESSION.

NOTE.—The Leake Ministry having resigned, consequent on the death of the Premier, the James Ministry was appointed 1st July, 1902.]

Premier and Attorney General	...	...	THE HON. WALTER HAETWELL JAMES, K.C., M.L.A.
Colonial Secretary and Minister for Education	...	...	THE HON. WALTER KINGSMILL, M.L.C.
Minister for Mines	...	...	THE HON. HENRY GREGORY, M.L.A.
Minister for Lands	...	...	THE HON. JOHN MARQUIS HOPKINS, M.L.A.
Minister for Works and Railways	...	...	THE HON. CORNTHWAITE HECTOR RASON, M.L.A.
Colonial Treasurer	...	...	THE HON. JAMES GARDINER, M.L.A.
Minister without portfolio	...	...	THE HON. MATTHEW LEWIS MOSS, M.L.C.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

FOURTH PARLIAMENT—THIRD SESSION.

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

Chairman of Committees:—The Hon. HENRY BRIGGS.

Member.	Date of Election.	Province.
1. Bellingham, The Honourable George	May, 1902	South
2. Briggs, The Honourable Henry	April, 1898	West
3. Brimage, The Honourable Thomas Frederick Outridge	Sept., 1900	South
4. Clarke, The Honourable Ephraim Mayo	May, 1902	South-West
5. Connolly, The Honourable James Daniel	June, 1901	North-East
6. Dempster, The Honourable Andrew	May, 1903	East
7. Dempster, The Honourable Charles Edward	May, 1900	East
8. Drew, The Honourable John Michael	May, 1900	Central
9. Glowrey, The Honourable John Thomas	Sept., 1900	South
10. Hackett, The Honourable John Winthrop	May, 1900	South-West
11. Haynes, The Honourable Samuel Johnson	April, 1898	South-East
12. Jenkins, The Honourable Arthur George	May, 1898	North-East
13. Kingsmill, The Honourable Walter	Feb., 1903	M't'p'n Sub'n
14. Lane, The Honourable Zebina	Sept., 1903.	M't'p'n Sub'n
15. Langsford, The Honourable Joseph Wood	January, 1904.	M't'p'n Sub'n
16. Laurie, The Honourable Robert	December, 1901	West
17. Loton, The Honourable William Thorley	May, 1902	East
18. Maley, The Honourable Wesley	May, 1900	South-East
19. McLarty, The Honourable Edward	April, 1898	South-West
20. Moss, The Honourable Matthew Lewis	May, 1902	West
21. O'Brien, The Honourable Bartholomew Cornelius	December, 1900	Central
22. Piesse, The Honourable Charles Austin	May, 1902	South-East
23. Randall, The Honourable George	April, 1898	Metropolitan
24. Richardson, The Honourable John Elliott	April, 1898	North
25. Shenton, The Honourable Sir George, Kt. (President)	May, 1900	Metropolitan
26. Sommers, The Honourable Charles	May, 1900	North-East
27. Stone, The Honourable Frank Mends	May, 1900	North
28. Thomson, The Honourable Joseph Angus	May, 1902	Central
29. Wittenoom, The Honourable Sir Edward Horne	May, 1902	North
30. Wright, The Honourable James William	May, 1902	Metropolitan

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH PARLIAMENT—THIRD SESSION.

Speaker:—The Honourable CHARLES HARPER.*Chairman of Committees*:—FREDERICK ILLINGWORTH, Esq.

Member.	When Elected.	District.
1. Atkins, William, Esq.	July, 1902	Murray
2. Bath, Thomas Henry, Esq.	October, 1902	Hannans
3. Burges, Richard Goldsmith, Esq.	April, 1903	York
4. Butcher, William James, Esq.	April, 1901	Gascoyne
5. Connor, Francis, Esq.	April, 1901	East Kimberley
6. Daglish, Henry, Esq.	April, 1901	Subiaco
7. Diamond, Arthur James, Esq.	April, 1901	South Fremantle
8. Ewing, John, Esq.	April, 1901	S.W. Mining District
9. Ferguson, John Marw II	August, 1903	North Fremantle
10. Foulkes, John Charles Griffiths, Esq.	June, 1902	Claremont
11. Gardiner, The Hon. James	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Albany
12. Gordon, William Beattie, Esq.	April, 1901	South Perth
13. Gregory, The Hon. Henry	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Menzie
14. Harper, Charles, Esq.	April, 1901	Beverley
15. Hassell, Albert Young, Esq.	April, 1901	Plantagenet
16. Hastie, Robert, Esq.	April, 1901	Kanowna
17. Hayward, Thomas, Esq.	April, 1901	Bunbury
18. Hicks, John Sydney, Esq.	April, 1901	Roebourne
19. Higham, John Joseph, Esq.	April, 1901	Fremantle
20. Holman, John Barkell, Esq.	December, 1901	North Murchison
21. Holmes, Joseph John, Esq.	April, 1901	East Fremantle
22. Hopkins, The Hon. John Marquis	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Boulder
23. Hutchinson, Robert David, Esq.	April, 1901	Geraldton
24. Illingworth, Frederick, Esq.	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Cue
25. Isdell, James, Esq.	March, 1903	Pilbarra
26. Jacoby, Mathieson Harry, Esq.	April, 1901	Swan
27. James, The Hon. Walter Hartwell, K.C.	April, 1901 (re-elected)	East Perth
28. Johnson, William Dartnell, Esq.	April, 1901	Kalgoorlie
29. Moran, Charles John, Esq.	July, 1902	West Perth
30. Morgans, Alfred Edward, Esq.	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Coolgardie
31. McDonald, Francis, Esq.	April, 1901	Cockburn Sound
32. McWilliams, George Frederick, Esq.	October, 1901	North Perth
33. Nanson, John Leighton, Esq.	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Murchison
34. Oats, William, Esq.	April, 1901	Yilgarn
35. O'Connor, Michael, Esq.	April, 1901	Moore
36. Phillips, Samuel James, Esq.	April, 1901	Irwin
37. Piesse, The Hon. Frederick Henry	April, 1901	Williams
38. Pigott, Sydney Capel, Esq.	August, 1901	West Kimberley
39. Purkiss, William Morton, Esq.	December, 1901	Perth
40. Quinlan, Timothy Francis, Esq.	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Toodyay
41. Rason, The Hon. Cornthwaite Hector	April, 1901 (re-elected)	Guildford
42. Reid, Fergie, Esq.	April, 1901	Mount Burgas
43. Smith, Henry Teesdale, Esq.	April, 1901	Wellington
44. Stone, Patrick, Esq.	April, 1901	Greenough
45. Taylor, George, Esq.	April, 1901	Mount Margaret
46. Thomas, Albert Ernest, Esq.	April, 1901	Dundas
47. Throssell, The Hon. George	April, 1901	Northam
48. Wallace, Frank, Esq.	April, 1901	Mount Magnet
49. Walter, John Russell	December, 1903	Nelson
50. Yelverton, Henry John, Esq.	April, 1901	Sussex

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Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 23rd July; assent given.

AGRICULTURAL BANK ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 11)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Lands, 10th December; assent given.

AGRICULTURAL LANDS PURCHASE ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 10)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Lands, 18th November; assent given.

APPROPRIATION ACT (1904, No. 25)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Treasurer, 23rd January, 1904; assent given.

AUDIT ACT (1904, No. 12)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 11th December; assent given.

BOULDER TRAMWAYS ACT (1904, No. 2)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 12th November; assent given.

BREAD ACT (1903, No. 5)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 22nd July; assent given.

BULLIE-NARROGIN RAILWAY ACT (1904, No. 16)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Lands, 12th November, passed all stages. Amended in Council by restricting the compulsory purchase of land. Assent given.

COMPANIES DUTY ACT CONTINUANCE ACT (1903, No. 9)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Colonial Treasurer, 20th October; assent given.

CO-OPERATIVE AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES ACT (1903, No. 2)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 1st July; assent given.

COGS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1903, No. 6)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 28th July; assent given.

EARLY CLOSING ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 1)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 16th July; assent given.

ELECTORAL ACT (1904, No. 20)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 22nd July, passed all stages. Received in Council 16th September, passed all stages with amendments, and returned to Assembly. Amendments considered in Conference, but no recommendation made. Amendments finally accepted and Bill passed. Assent reserved.

FACTORIES ACT (1904, No. 22)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 22nd July; assent given.

FERTILISERS AND FEEDINGSTUFFS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 7)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 13th August; assent given.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS ACT (1904, No. 23)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works and Railways, 23rd July; assent given.

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HOOGLIE TRAMWAYS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 5)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 18th November; assent given.

LOAN ACT, £1,582,000 (1904, No. 18)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Colonial Treasurer, 15th December; assent given.

LUNACY ACT (1903, No. 15)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 22nd July; assent given.

MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT APPLICATION ACT (1903, No. 7)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 23rd September; assent given.

METROPOLITAN WATER AND SEWERAGE ACT (1904, No. 14)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 18th November; assent given.

MINING ACT (1904, No. 15)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Mines, 23rd July; assent given.

PERMANENT RESERVES ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 13)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Lands, 8th December; assent given.

PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1903, No. 8)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 28th July; assent given.

PRISONS ACT (1903, No. 14)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 22nd July; assent given.

REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS ACT (1904, No. 21)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier 11th August, passed all stages with amendments. Received in Council 13th October; passed all stages with amendments and returned to Assembly. Amendments considered in Conference, but no recommendation made. Amendments finally accepted and Bill passed. Assent reserved.

ROADS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1904, No. 24)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 29th October; assent given.

ROADS AND STREETS CLOSURE ACT (1904, No. 19)—

Introduced in Assembly by Minister for Lands, 18th November; assent given.

SUPPLY ACT, £1,000,000 (1903, No. 1)—

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SUPREME COURT ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1903, No. 10)—

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TRAMWAYS ACT AMENDMENT ACT (1903, No. 12)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works and Railways, 8th December; assent given.

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Introduced in Assembly by the Premier, 3rd September; assent given.

UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT ACT (1904, No. 6)—

Introduced in Council by the Colonial Secretary, 23rd September; assent given.

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Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works, 13th October; assent given.

WOODMAN'S POINT TO JANDAKOT RAILWAY ACT (1904, No. 17)—

Introduced in Assembly by the Minister for Works and Railways, 24th November, passed all stages. Amended in Council by restricting the compulsory purchase of land. Assent given.

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KATANNING ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND POWER ACT (3 Ed.)—

Introduced in Assembly by Mr. J. C. G. Foulkes, 11th November; assent given.

LAND ACT AMENDMENT (Salvation Army Settlement) ACT (3 Ed.)—

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Introduced in Assembly by the Colonial Treasurer 23rd July, passed all stages. Received in Council, and amended in Committee. Withdrawn to avoid irregularity in procedure. (*See Audit Act passed.*)

CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—

Introduced in Assembly by the Premier 22nd July, passed all stages. Received in Council 22nd September, passed all stages with amendments, and returned to Assembly. Amendments considered in Conference by managers for both Houses; result reported, and Bill abandoned (*i.e.*, order discharged) by resolution of Assembly, 15th January, 1904.

EVIDENCE AMENDMENT BILL—

Introduced in Assembly by the Hon. M. L. Moss 10th December, passed all stages. Received in Assembly 14th December, 2nd reading debated, discharged with other orders 23rd December.

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