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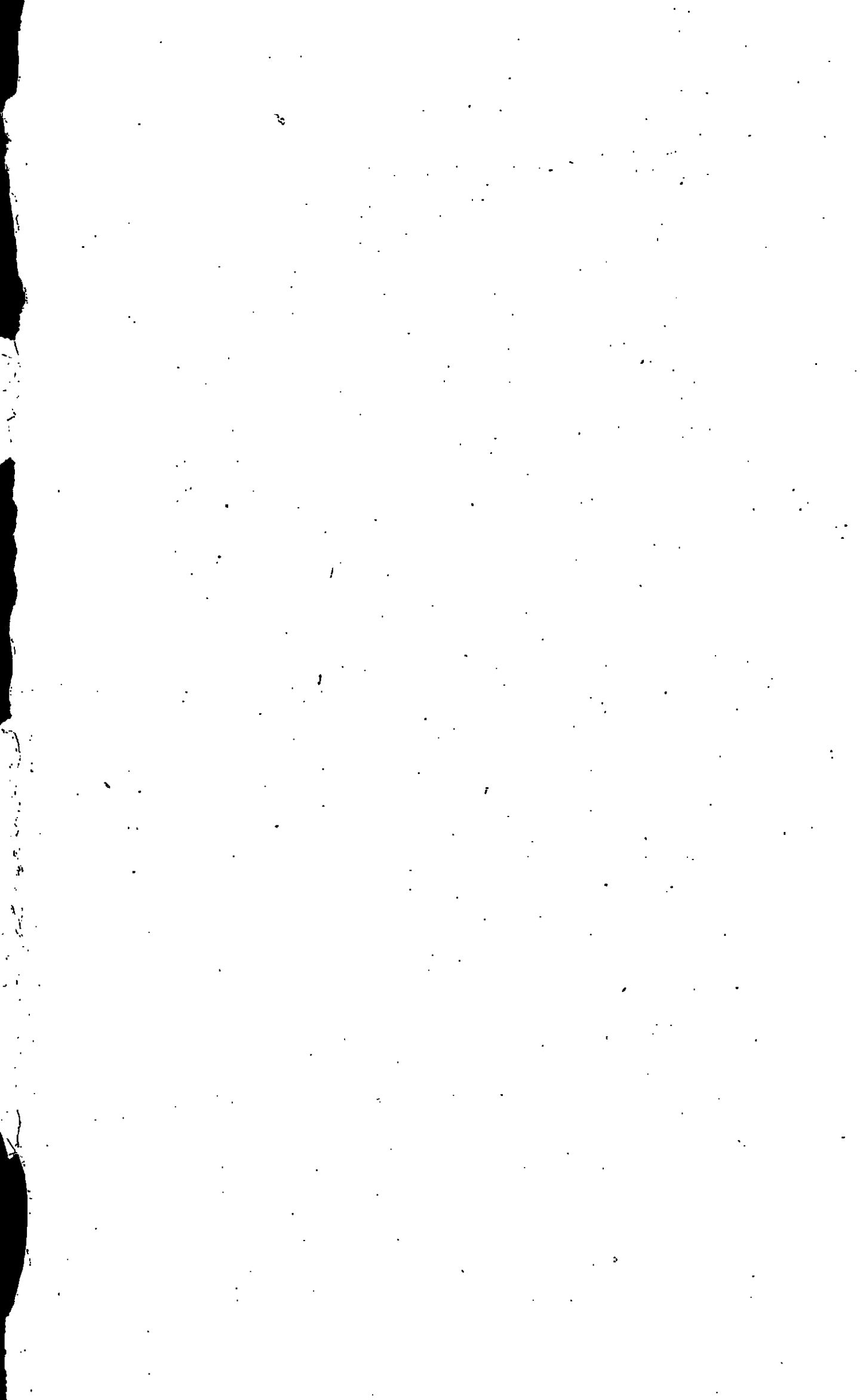
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10 MAY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor; His Honor the Chief Justice; The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; His Excellency the Commander of the Forces; The Honorable the Colonial Secretary; the Attorney General; the Collector of Customs; the Auditor General; Robert Campbell, Esquire; Alexander Berry, Esquire; Richard Jones, Esquire; John Blaxland, Esquire; Hannibal H. Macarthur, Esquire; Sir John Jamison, Knight; and James Macarthur, Esquire.

1. Council met pursuant to summons; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair; New Clerk sworn, FRANCIS LEWIS SHAW MEREWETHER, Esquire.
2. His Excellency the Governor then read the following Address:—

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

I have called you together at a season somewhat earlier than usual, in order that I may lay again before you, in an amended shape, the Bills which I presented to the Council in 1840, but subsequently withdrew, in order that I might seek the instructions of Her Majesty's Government, on some points involved in them, respecting which a difference of opinion existed in the Colony.

Of these Bills, the one to authorise the election of Directors of Police and Public Works, is nearly in the shape in which it was first presented; but instead of the Bill to provide for the Incorporation of the principal Towns in the Colony, by means of Charters, or Letters Patent, to be issued by the Queen, or by the Governor, if thereto authorised by Her Majesty, two Bills are now prepared; by one of which, if passed into a Law, the Town of Sydney, and by the other, the Town of Melbourne, will, at once, and without the issue of a Charter, be incorporated.

The additional experience which I have gained in the Colony, since these measures were first proposed, has tended greatly to confirm me in the opinion that they are urgently required.

I do not seek to conceal from the Council, or from the Colony, that the adoption of them will be attended with some expence to the parties who are to have the benefit of them; but it does not seem to me, that on this account, they should be objected to. It can hardly be necessary to point out to you such obvious truths as that Public Works cannot be carried on, nor can a Police Force be maintained, without expence; neither can Funds be obtained by the Government, for these or any other purposes, which do not, in some way or other, proceed from the pockets of the people. If, therefore, objects such as these are in any way to be provided for, the only question seems to me to be, whether the people of each Town or District will spend their own money, or still desire that the Government should spend it for them. If it be your wish, and the wish of the Colony, that the Government should continue to do so, you will, of course, reject these Bills; but before you decide on rejecting them, I desire to press upon you the following considerations:—

So long as the expence of Police, Public Buildings, Roads, Bridges, and other similar Works, continue to be defrayed out of a general fund, there is a desire on the part of each District to get for itself as large a share of that fund as possible,—there is, in fact, a perpetual strife going on, as to which District shall get the most;—each has consequently a tendency to be extravagant; and it requires the utmost firmness on the part of the central authority, to prevent extravagance throughout the whole. When, on the contrary, each Town or District defrays its own expences, it becomes the evident interest of each to avoid extravagance, and to spend no more of its own money than is absolutely necessary.

It may, indeed, be said that the Government is in possession of a Revenue sufficient for all

all purposes, and that, therefore, the imposition of any new tax on the people is unnecessary. If this be the case, the proof of it will be a good reason for reducing taxes, and thereby lessening the income of Government; but it cannot, in my mind, be a reason why the people of any District should not take the management of their local affairs into their own hands—unless, indeed, they consider that the Government can manage them better, and more economically, than they can themselves, and therein differ from the opinion which I entertain on the subject.

I unhesitatingly declare that I have made, and daily continue to make, great exertions to reduce the expences of Government; and I once again entreat you to assist me in so doing, wherever it may be possible, without injury to the public interests. I cannot hope, however, that the utmost degree of economy can enable me to meet, without assistance, the numerous demands which are pressed upon me from every part of the Colony.

I do not propose to throw at once, on each District, the whole expence of maintaining the Police, or of constructing Public Works within it; there are many expences of a general nature, (as, for instance, that of the Mounted Police,) which, properly, are chargeable on the general Revenue of the Colony; and so long as that Revenue continue in its present flourishing condition, assistance out of it may reasonably be given to each District; but it seems to me most essential, that such assistance should be proportional to the sum raised in it by local taxation, in order to create, in each District, a disposition to economy, rather than to extravagance.

That the Government should pay a portion of the expence is also reasonable, since, in the present state of the Colony, it would not be expedient for the Government to allow the control, which it now exercises over the Police, to pass out of its own hands.

I am extremely happy in being able to announce to you, that the Ordinary Revenue of the Colony, by which I mean the whole of the Revenue exclusive of that derived from the sale of Land, was, in 1841, the largest ever collected in New South Wales; and that, contrary to my expectations, it exhibited a considerable increase even upon that of the year 1840.

Such a result, notwithstanding the depression under which many interests in the Colony have labored, is both gratifying and important.

The Land Fund has, on the contrary, dwindled away in a remarkable degree. In the year 1840, it produced £316,000—in the year 1841, only £90,000; and during the first quarter of the present year, it has yielded no more than £4,000—a sum insufficient to pay the expences chargeable on it, for the Survey Department, and the protection of the Aborigines; leaving of course nothing for Immigration.

For several years prior to 1840, the Ordinary Revenue of the Colony was unequal to the Expenditure charged upon it; and consequently it had to seek aid from the Land Fund; the contrary is now the case, and the Land Fund stands in need of assistance from the Ordinary Revenue.

The reduced state of the Land Fund caused me in December last, to seek the advice of the Council, as to the best way in which the engagements could be met, which the Government had entered into for the importation of Emigrants.

I have followed the advice then tendered to me; and accordingly have drawn on the Lords of the Treasury, for the amount advanced by their Lordships' order, out of the Crown Revenue of this Colony, for the service of New Zealand; and I have also issued Debentures to the amount of about £65,000; the redemption of these Debentures is now to be provided for, as well as the interest they bear.

The rise in the Bounties on Immigration, recommended by the Committee of this Council in the Session of 1839, and carried into effect by a Public Notice which I caused to be issued on the 3rd of March, 1840, gave a great impetus, as it was intended it should do, to the importation of labourers into the Colony.

Under these increased Bounties, 26,546 souls have, in less than eighteen months, been added to the Population of the Colony, at a total expence, as nearly as can be calculated, of £468,000; the whole of which large amount, has been paid out of the Revenues of the Colony, with the exception of the sum above mentioned as being due on Debentures, and a further one of perhaps £10,000, still to be paid in England.

An alarm was (perhaps not unnaturally) created in England, during the course of the last year, that the large Emigration then going on from the United Kingdom to this Colony would occasion a heavy demand from us on the Mother Country for assistance. I am happy to be able to announce, that this apprehension has proved to be an unfounded one; and that this Colony looks to the Parent Country for nothing more, than a continuance of that affectionate regard and support, which England has ever shewn, and will continue to shew, to all of her Colonial Dependencies.

At the same time, I do not attempt to conceal from you, that but for the intervention of the Secretary of State, in checking Emigration, we might have had difficulty in meeting our engagements, without negotiating a Loan in England.

The seasonable supply of labour, afforded to the Colony during the last eighteen months, has tended greatly to aid it in its recovery from the effects of that reckless spirit of speculation and overtrading, which prevailed during the years 1839 and 1840.

It is difficult to account, precisely, for the mania of speculation, which, at times, affects all trading communities; but the chief exciting cause of it in New South Wales, was, I have no doubt, that, for several years preceding 1840, capital was poured into the Colony faster than, for want of labour, it could be safely employed; and that, consequently, it passed, by some means or other, into the hands of persons willing to engage in hazardous speculations, or to make investments, which could not for many years yield an adequate return. This fatal facility of obtaining borrowed money was greatly increased by the establishment of new Banking.

Banking Companies, with large Capitals, (some of them furnished from England,) which could only be employed in the discounting of Bills. The abundance of money thus created caused a rapid rise to take place in almost every species of Colonial property; and, in the delusive hope that this rise would continue to be a progressive one, numbers were led to their ruin.

These speculations were at their height during the year 1839, and the greater part of 1840. They were first checked, I believe, or the evil of them was exposed by the discussions which took place in this Council, on the proposed Insolvent Law, in 1840; and the revulsion which has since so grievously shaken the Colony, commenced about the end of October in that year, before even a single Emigrant Ship had arrived under the new Bounty Regulations of the 3rd of March in the same year: The idea, therefore, which seems partly to have prevailed in England, that an over-issue of Bounty Orders led to the commercial depression of the Colony, was clearly, I think, an unfounded one.

As the Importation of Labourers must still continue to be a matter of vital importance to the Colony, I propose to revive the Immigration Committee of this Council, which may now be considered almost as a standing one; and I shall, with as little delay as possible, cause to be laid before the Committee all the Returns and other documents, necessary for the fullest elucidation of the subject.

Gentlemen, the Colony may possibly be exposed to further trials; but I feel confident, that be they what they may, we shall surmount them all. With our energies directed to sober industry, and the rivalries laid aside which once divided our Community into sections jealous of each other, New South Wales will maintain the position, which, by priority of settlement, she is entitled to hold in the regions of Australasia; and of the thousands whom the stream of Immigration has borne to the Colony, provided only they be of active, moral, and industrious habits, none will have cause to regret that they have made it the land of their adoption.

The Accounts of the Income and Expenditure of the Colony for the year 1841, will immediately be laid before you; and the Estimates for 1843, as soon as they can be completed.

GEORGE GIPPS.

Council Chamber, }
10th May, 1842. }

3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, a Circular Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Stanley, dated 30th November, 1841, announcing the Birth of a Prince, and the safety of her Majesty; Despatch read; to be Printed;—Motion made by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, and seconded by Mr. Jones, That His Excellency the Governor and Legislative Council, do present a dutiful and loyal Address of Congratulation, to Her Most Gracious Majesty, and His Royal Highness Prince Albert, on the Birth of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Heir Apparent to the Throne.
Committee appointed to prepare the Address:—

THE RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF AUSTRALIA,

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MR. JONES,

MR. BLAXLAND,
MR. H. H. MACARTHUR.

4. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table the undermentioned correspondence, respecting the Sale of Crown Lands at a fixed price, and the Division of the Territory into three Districts.
- (1.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No 189, dated 19th December, 1840, reporting the measures which he had adopted in consequence of the receipt of Lord John Russell's Despatch, of 31st May, 1840, containing directions for the Division of the Territory of New South Wales into three Districts, and for the Sale of Land, at a fixed price, in the Southern (or Port Phillip) District.*
 - (2.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 190, dated 19th December, 1840, transmitting a Petition to the Queen, from the Legislative Council of New South Wales, praying that the Boundaries which had been assigned to the Central District of the Colony might be re-considered. †
 - (3.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 192, dated 19th December, 1840, transmitting a Memorandum on the subject of the Disposal of Land in New South Wales.
 - (4.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 32, dated 1st February, 1841, respecting the opening of the Northern (or Moreton Bay) District of the Colony; and the inexpediency of having three separate Land Funds in one and the same Colony.
 - (5.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 33, dated 1st February 1841, reporting that a Notice, issued by the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, respecting Special Surveys, had reached New South Wales.
 - (6.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 49, dated 8th February, 1841, transmitting Copies of Notices, issued in the Colony, respecting the selling of Lands in the Port Phillip District, at a fixed price.
 - (7.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 52, dated 21st February, 1841, transmitting Mr. La Trobe's observations respecting the sale of Land in the Port Phillip District.

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* This Despatch was laid before the Council on the 8th December, 1840, and printed by order of the Council.
† This Petition was printed, with the Proceedings of the Council, on the 14th December, 1840.

- (8.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 53, dated 23rd February, 1841, reporting the arrival, at Port Phillip, of Mr. Dendy, with an order for a Special Survey, and the measures adopted thereupon.
- (9.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 54, dated 24th February, 1841, respecting the manner in which the occupiers of Crown Lands (called Squatters) may be affected by the introduction of Special Surveys.
- (10.) Despatch from Governor Sir G. Gipps to Lord John Russell, No. 64, dated 6th March, 1841, transmitting a Copy of a Notice, issued in the Colony, respecting Special Surveys, dated the 4th March, 1841.
- (11.) Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord J. Russell to Governor Sir G. Gipps, No. 322, dated 21st August, 1841, replying to Sir George Gipps's Despatches, respecting the Sale of Crown Lands; and transmitting additional instructions under Her Majesty's Signet and Sign Manual.
- (12.) Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord J. Russell to Governor Sir G. Gipps, No. 344, dated 27th August, 1841, approving the proceedings adopted in the Colony in respect to Special Surveys.
- (13.) Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord J. Russell to Governor Sir G. Gipps, No. 345, dated 28th August, 1841, approving the proceedings in respect to Mr. Dendy.
- (14.) Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord J. Russell to Governor Sir G. Gipps, No. 347, dated 30th August, 1841, respecting the Sale of Land in the District of Moreton Bay.
- (15.) Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Stanley to Governor Sir G. Gipps, No. 17, dated 18th October, 1841, transmitting further instructions respecting the sale of Land, and fixing the minimum price at which it should be offered for sale by Auction. Despatches with their Enclosures to be printed.
5. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, a Despatch from The Right Honorable Lord Stanley, No. 60, dated 5 January, 1842, notifying the approval by Her Majesty's Government, of the advance of £3,000, made to the Government of South Australia, from the Crown Land Fund of New South Wales, and signifying that further instructions will be given as to the mode of its reimbursement; Read.
6. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "A Bill to further continue, for a limited time, an Act, intituled, 'An Act for preventing the extension of the Disease commonly called the Influenza or Catarrh, in Sheep and Lambs, in the Colony of New South Wales'; Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, May 17.
7. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "A Bill to further continue, for a limited time, an Act, intituled, 'An Act to facilitate the apprehension of Transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large, and of persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers'; Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, May 17.
8. His Excellency the Governor having stated that a Bill was in course of preparation, to further continue the Jury Act for two years, from the 30th June next, by which some alteration would be made in the mode of summoning Special Juries:—
His Honor the Chief Justice presented a Petition from 39 Magistrates and others, liable to serve as Special Jurors, in the County of Cumberland, representing the inconvenience and evil consequences arising out of the present mode of summoning Special Jurors, and praying that a Bill may be passed for the remedy of the same; Petition read and received.
9. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, the following Abstracts of the sworn Returns of the average Assets and Liabilities, and Capital and Profits, of the several Banks in the Colony of New South Wales, rendered pursuant to the Act of Council 4 Victoria, No. 13;—
(1.) The Abstract for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1841.
(2.) General Abstract for the four Quarters of 1841.
(3.) The Abstract for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1842.
To be printed.
10. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the periodical publication of Liabilities and Assets of Banks, in New South Wales and its Dependencies, and the Registration of the names of the Proprietors thereof'; Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, May 17.
11. His Excellency the Governor having observed that the separation of the Government of New Zealand from that of New South Wales, had rendered necessary some alteration in the Act for the better Administration of Justice, passed by the Council in the Sessions of 1840, laid upon the Table, "A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the more effectual Administration of Justice in New South Wales and its Dependencies,' and stated, that he was desirous to refer it to a Committee of the Council, in consequence of a number of queries relating to the Equity Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, contained in the Despatch which had been sent to him with the Bill, by the Home Government; Motion made, and Question put, That this Bill, together with the Despatch alluded to, be referred to a Committee; Passed.

Committee appointed:—

HIS HONOR THE CHIEF JUSTICE,	
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,	MR. BERRY,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL.	MR. JONES,
MR. JAMES MACARTHUR.	

12. His Excellency the Governor having directed the Clerk to read, from the Printed Papers of last Sessions, a Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord John Russell, No. 312, dated 21st July, 1841, recommending that the Municipal Corporations Bill, and the Commissioners of Police and Public Works Bill, as originally laid before the Council, should be again introduced, laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to Incorporate the Inhabitants of the Town of Sydney;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed; and read a second time on Thursday, May 26.
13. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to Incorporate the Inhabitants of the Town of Melbourne;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, May 26.
14. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to authorise the Election of Directors of Police and Public Works, in the Colony of New South Wales, and to provide, by assessment, for the maintenance of a Police, and for the construction and repair of Public Works or Buildings within the same;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, May 31.
15. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to permit Goods, the product or manufacture of New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land, to be Imported into the Colony of New South Wales, free of Duty; and to indemnify certain Officers for acts already done;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, May 17.
16. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, the "*Blue Book,*" for the year ended 30th September, 1841.
17. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, An Abstract of the Revenue of the Colony of New South Wales, and of its Appropriation, for the year 1841, together with explanatory Statements, numbered from 1 to 8; to be printed.
18. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, a Return (exhibiting nil) of all monies which have been received by, or are now payable to, the respective Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, in respect of any Lands, Tenements, or Buildings, vested in the Principal Officers of the Ordnance in New South Wales, under the provisions of the Act of the Governor and Council, 4 Victoria, No. 2; to be printed.
19. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, the undermentioned Statistical Returns;—
 - (1.) A Return of Coin in the Colonial Treasury, the Military Chest, and the several Banks, in New South Wales, on the 31st December, in each year, from 1836 to 1841.
 - (2.) A Return of Immigrants and Convicts arrived, and of the estimated number of Births and Deaths, in the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the 2nd of March, to 31st December, 1841, and of the Population at the latter date.
 - (3.) A Return of the value of Imports into the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832, to 1841, inclusively.
 - (4.) A Return of the value of Exports from the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (5.) A Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels entered Inwards, in the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (6.) A Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels entered Outwards, in the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (7.) A Return of Grain, &c., imported into the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (8.) A Return of Live Stock, imported into the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from 1832, to 1841, inclusively.
 - (9.) Estimated Quantity of Land in Cultivation (exclusive of Gardens and Orchards) in the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, on 31st December, 1841.
 - (10.) A Return of Wool Exported from the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (11.) A Return of the quantity and value of Oil, &c. Exported from the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832, to 1841, inclusively.
 - (12.) A Return of the Quantity and value of Timber, exported from the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832, to 1841, inclusively.
 - (13.) A Return of the number of Vessels Built and Registered in the Colony of New South Wales, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (14.) A Return of the Amount of Auction Duty, at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent., paid into the Colonial Treasury of New South Wales, from the year 1832, to 1841, inclusively.
 - (15.) A Return of the Amounts received from the Sale of Crown Lands, in the Colony of New South Wales, including the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1832 to 1841, inclusively.
 - (16.) A Return of Immigrants arrived, and of the estimated number of Births and Deaths, in the District of Port Phillip, from the 2nd March, to 31st December, 1841, and of the Population at the later date.
 - (17.) A Return of the value of Imports into the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1837 to 1841, inclusively.

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- (18.) A Return of the value of Exports from the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (19.) A Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels entered Inwards in the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (20.) A Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels, entered Outwards, in the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (21.) A Return of Grain Imported into the District of Port Phillip, from 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (22.) A Return of Live Stock, Imported into the District of Port Phillip, from 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (23.) A Return of Wool, Exported from the District of Port Phillip, from 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (24.) A Return of the Amount of Auction Duty, paid into the Treasury, at Melbourne, from 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (25.) A Return of the Amounts received from the sale of Crown Lands, in the District of Port Phillip, from the year 1837 to 1841, inclusively.
- (26.) Estimated Quantity of Land in Cultivation, (exclusive of Gardens and Orchards,) in the District of Port Phillip, on 31st December, 1841.
- Returns to be printed.

Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until Tuesday, May 17, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MAY 17.

1. Catarrh in Sheep Act Continuation Bill ; second reading.
2. Bushranging Act Continuation Bill ; second reading.
3. Bank Liabilities and Assets Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill ; second reading.

THURSDAY, MAY 26.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill ; second reading.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill ; second reading.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.

1. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill ; second reading

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17th MAY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. ABSENT: John Blaxland, Esquire; Hannibal H. Macarthur, Esquire; and James Macarthur, Esquire.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair; Addresses of Congratulation to Her Majesty the Queen, and His Royal Highness Prince Albert; The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, as Chairman, brought up the Addresses prepared by the Committee, of which the following are Copies:—

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

We, your Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Governor and Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales, in approaching your Royal Presence, desire to express our joy and satisfaction arising from the Birth of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Heir Apparent of your Majesty's Throne and Kingdom. We thankfully acknowledge the interposition of Divine Providence in the safety vouchsafed to your Majesty; and in the security which has been thus afforded for the continuance of the Protestant Succession in the line of the Illustrious House of Hanover. We venture to express also, our earnest solicitude, that the same Guardian Hand may protect your Majesty, and the Royal Infant, from all perils and dangers, and preserve Our most Gracious Sovereign during many years, to reign in happiness and glory over her well contented and obedient people.

TO FIELD MARSHAL, HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS ALBERT, PRINCE OF SAXE COBOURG AND GOTHA, &c., &c., &c.

We, the loyal and dutiful Subjects of Her Sacred Majesty Queen Victoria, the Governor and Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales, solicit the permission of your Royal Highness to offer our most respectful congratulations on the Birth of the Heir Apparent to the Throne of England, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the eldest son of Her Majesty and your Royal Highness. Intimately connected as are the Colonists of New South Wales in all their interests with the maintenance of the glory and prosperity of the United Kingdom, We unfeignedly rejoice in an event which affords so fair a promise of the continuance of the succession in that line, from whose settlement on the Throne, so many benefits and blessings have accrued to the Nation. We, at the same time, offer to your Royal Highness our very sincere congratulations on your participation in these gratifying presages of National advantage, and we add an expression of our unfeigned desire for the preservation of Her Most Gracious Majesty, and of your Royal Highness, as well as of that Illustrious Infant, in the person of whom so many hopes and exalted expectations are centred.

His Lordship moved, That the Draft Addresses be approved and adopted; Passed.
His Lordship then moved, That the Addresses be engrossed, and that His Excellency the Governor, as President of the Council, be respectfully requested to sign the same, on behalf of himself and the Council, and to transmit them to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with the request of this Council, that His Lordship will be pleased to present them to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness; Passed.

2. **IMMIGRATION** : Committee appointed to consider the question of Immigration generally, with the view of ascertaining the present and prospective demands of the Colonists for Labour, and how the same can be most effectually and economically met ; with instructions to take evidence, if necessary, and report :—

THE RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF AUSTRALIA,
THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, | MR. H. H. MACARTHUR,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL, | SIR JOHN JAMISON,

MR. JAMES MACARTHUR.

His Excellency the Governor then laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, on the subject of Immigration, viz :—

- (1.) Report from Francis L. S. Merewether, Esquire, on the subject of Immigration generally, for the year 1841, with an Appendix ; to be printed.
 - (2.) Return of the number of Immigrants landed in New South Wales, between the 1st of January, 1841, and the 30th of April, 1842, on whom Bounty has been refused.
 - (3.) Return of the Amount of Quarantine Expenses, charged against parties importing Immigrants on Bounty into New South Wales, between the 1st of January, 1841, and the 30th of April, 1842.
 - (4.) Return, shewing the number of permissions to import Emigrants on Bounty, granted in the several quarters of the years, between that which ended the 31st December, 1837, and the quarter ended the 31st December, 1840, which permissions, respectively, expired in the several quarters between that which ended on the 31st December, 1839, and the 31st December, 1841 ; shewing also, the proportion of these permissions acted on, and the proportion not acted on.
 - (5.) Return, distinguishing the number of English, Scotch, and Irish Immigrants introduced into New South Wales, during the year 1841.
 - (6.) Return of the number of Immigrants landed in the Colony of New South Wales, on whom Bounty has been paid (or is now payable) in conformity with the Regulations of 3rd March, 1840.
- To be referred to the Committee on Immigration.
3. Catarrh in Sheep Act Continuation Bill ; read a second time ; to be read a third time on Thursday, May 26.
 4. Bushranging Act Continuation Bill ; read a second time ; to be read a third time on Thursday, May 26.
 5. Bank Liabilities and Assets Act Amendment Bill ; read a second time ; to be read a third time on Thursday, May 26.
 6. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill ; read a second time ; to be read a third time on Thursday, May 26.
 7. Sydney and Melbourne Corporation Bills ; second reading postponed from Thursday, May 26, until Tuesday, May 31.

Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until Thursday, May 26, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, MAY 26.

1. Catarrh in Sheep Act Continuation Bill ; third reading.
2. Bushranging Act Continuation Bill ; third reading.
3. Bank Liabilities and Assets Act Amendment Bill ; third reading.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill ; third reading.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill ; second reading.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill ; second reading.
3. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.

1. The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia : That His Lordship will move the adoption of the following Resolution : That it be an instruction to the Committee on Immigration, that they take into consideration the expediency of providing for the expenses of Immigration, during a limited number of years, by means of Loans, to be raised in the United Kingdom, upon the security of the Land Revenue of this Colony.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 26th MAY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Ten Members. ABSENT: His Honor the Chief Justice; The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; The Collector of Customs; and James Macarthur, Esquire.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. The Lord Bishop of Australia's Motion, relative to a provision, by way of Loan, for the expenses of future Immigration; consideration of deferred from Tuesday, May 31, until Tuesday, June 7.
2. Mr. H. H. Macarthur presented a petition from 70 merchants and others, residing in New South Wales, representing that the non-exemption from duty of goods, the produce of South Australia, would have the effect of preventing residents in this Colony, possessing flocks in South Australia, from bringing their wool to Sydney, for shipment to Great Britain, and would oblige them to wait for vessels sailing direct from Adelaide; and praying that the exemption, proposed in a Bill now before the Council, in favor of the produce of Van Diemen's Land and New Zealand, should be extended to that of South Australia; read and received.
3. Mr. Jones was added to the Committee on Immigration, his name having been inadvertently omitted on the original appointment of that Committee.
4. Catarrh in Sheep Act Continuation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. Bushranging Act Continuation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
6. Bank Liabilities and Assets Act Amendment Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
7. The third reading of the New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill, deferred until Tuesday, June 14.

Council adjourned at One o'Clock, until Tuesday, May 31, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, MAY 31.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; second reading.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7.

1. The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia: His Lordship will move the adoption of the following Resolution: That it be an instruction to the Committee on Immigration, that they take into consideration the expediency of providing for the expenses of Immigration, during a limited number of years, by means of Loans, to be raised in the United Kingdom, upon the security of the Land Revenue of this Colony.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 31 MAY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. **AUSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Before proceeding to the Order of the Day, the second reading of the Sydney Corporation Bill, Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition, signed by the Sheriff, as Chairman of a Public Meeting, held in Sydney, praying for the rejection of the Bill now before the Council. The Petition was read, and after some discussion was withdrawn, in order that further signatures might be attached to it—the Council deciding, that it could only be received as the Petition of the persons signing it.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill; read a second time; to be further considered on Wednesday, June 8.
The Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until Tuesday next, June 7, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7.

1. The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia: That it be an instruction to the Committee on Immigration, that they take into consideration, the expediency of providing for the expenses of Immigration, during a limited number of years, by means of Loans, to be raised in the United Kingdom, upon the security of the Land Revenue of this Colony.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 7 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and all the Members.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill ; second reading postponed until Tuesday, June 14.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill ; second reading postponed until Tuesday, June 14.
3. The Lord Bishop of Australia, in pursuance of Notice, moved the adoption of the following Resolution ;—That it be an instruction to the Committee on Immigration, that they take into consideration, the expediency of providing for the expenses of Immigration, during a limited number of years, by means of Loans, to be raised in the United Kingdom, upon the security of the Land Revenue of this Colony :—Passed.
The Council adjourned at Half-past Three o'Clock, until to-morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill ; further consideration.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill : second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill ; second reading.
3. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill ; third reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 8 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and thirteen Members. ABSENT:—The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment ; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair.
Mr. James Macarthur re-presented the Petition, withdrawn by him on Tuesday, May 31, with 1085 signatures attached. Petition read and received.
2. Mr. Jones presented a Petition signed by 1051 Inhabitants of Sydney, praying that the Sydney Corporation Bill may be passed into law, after being amended, by granting additional Revenues to the Corporation—giving the Mayor precedence over all Magistrates within the Town—empowering the Town Council to nominate the Borough Magistrates—giving to every Householder the right to claim to be rated and vote—doing away with plurality of votes—and redncng the property qualification for the Office of Town Councillor to £1000, or an annual value of £30 ; Petition read and received.
3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to appropriate for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain Sums in aid of the Sydney Police ;*" Bill read a first time ; to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, June 15.
4. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to further continue for a limited time, An Act, intituled 'An Act for regulating the Constitution of Juries and for the Trial of Issues in certain cases, in the Supreme Court of New South Wales ;'*" Bill read a first time ; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, June 14.
5. Sydney Corporation Bill ; Mr. James Macarthur moved, That the Bill be read this day six months ; Question put, and further discussion deferred until to-morrow. Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until to-morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill ; further consideration.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill ; second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill ; second reading.
3. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill ; third reading.
4. Jury Act Continuation Bill ; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill ; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 9 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT; The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Sydney Corporation Bill; Mr. James Macarthur's motion, that the Bill be read this day six months, withdrawn; Bill to be further considered to-morrow.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table a General description of the Town of Sydney, shewing its boundaries—being Schedule A to the Sydney Corporation Bill; to be printed.
3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table a description of the boundaries of the Six Wards into which it is proposed to divide the Town—being Schedule B to the Sydney Corporation Bill; to be printed.
Council adjourned at Five o'Clock; until to-morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.
3. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
4. Jury Act Continuation Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 10 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; Robert Campbell, Esq.; and John Blaxland, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Sydney Corporation Bill, further considered. Motion made and question put, that a Committee be appointed to report their opinion on the most suitable Boundaries for the Town and Wards of Sydney; and also to collect such information respecting the value and rental of houses, and other particulars, as may serve as a guide to the Council in fixing the qualification for Burgesses; Passed. Committee appointed:—

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
MR. CAMPBELL,

MR. BERRY,
MR. JONES,
SIR JOHN JAMISON.

Bill to be further considered on Tuesday next.
Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until Tuesday next, June 14, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
5. Jury Act Continuation Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 14 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. **ABSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; Sir John Jamison; and James Macarthur, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Jury Act Continuation Bill read a second time; to be read a third time to-morrow.
 2. Sydney Corporation Bill further considered; to be further considered to-morrow.
 3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading deferred until to-morrow.
 4. *Directors of Police and Public Works Bill*; second reading deferred until to-morrow.
 5. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading deferred until to-morrow.
- Council adjourned at Half-past Four o'Clock, until to-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15.

1. Jury Act Continuation Bill; third reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
4. *Directors of Police and Public Works Bill*; second reading.
5. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
6. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 15 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. **ABSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; John Blaxland, Esq.; and James Macarthur, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair.
Jury Act Continuation Bill; read a third time, and *Passed*.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill; further considered; to be further considered on Tuesday, June 21.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, June 21.
4. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, June 21.
5. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading deferred until Tuesday, June 21.
6. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, June 21.
Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until Tuesday, June 21, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
5. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 21 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Twelve Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, and H. H. Macarthur, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid upon the Table, "*A Bill for further facilitating proceedings by and against all Banking and other Companies in the Colony, entitled to sue and be sued in the name of their Chairman, Secretary, or other Officer.*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, June 28.
 2. Sydney Corporation Bill further considered; to be further considered on Tuesday, June 28.
 3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, June 28.
 4. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, July 5.
 5. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading deferred until Tuesday, June 28.
 6. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, June 28.
- Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until Tuesday next, June 28, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 28.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
5. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 5.

1. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 28 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. **ABSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid before the Council a Petition from 115 Inhabitants of the Town of Geelong, praying that the measure for the establishment of Municipal Corporations within the Territory of New South Wales, which they had heard would be brought under the consideration of the Council during the present Session, might be so framed as to admit them to a participation in its privileges; and that with a view to that object it might be made applicable to any Town containing 2,000 Inhabitants, or such other minimum number, as to the Council shall seem meet; read and received.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council a Petition from A. Thomson, Esq., as Chairman of a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town and District of Geelong, setting forth that he regards the proposed Bill, for the election of Directors of Police and Public Works, as a measure generally beneficial, but praying for the introduction of certain provisions to the following effect:—First—That the rates on property, to be levied under the provisions of the Act, if passed, should supersede the assessment now levied on stock. Second—That separate and special provision for the Government of the Towns should be made by Incorporation; and that the measure under contemplation should exclusively apply to the rural Districts, to the prevention of collision between the Town and Country interests. Third—That all fines and fees levied in their respective Districts should be placed at the disposal of the Directors proposed by the Bill; read and received.
3. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council a Petition from S. Raymond, Esq., as Chairman of a Public Meeting, held at Melbourne, setting forth the importance to the welfare of that Town and District of such a measure as the Incorporation of Melbourne; and praying that the Council in passing such a measure, will have due regard to the particular circumstances of that portion of the Territory—to its immunity from the necessity of the restrictions of penal settlements—to its great distance from the seat of Government—and to the disadvantages under which it labours from the want of a political separation; read and received.
4. Administration of Justice Bill. The Report of the Committee to which this Bill was referred, presented by His Honor the Chief Justice as Chairman; to be printed.
5. Sydney Corporation Bill; The Report of the Committee on the City and Wards' Boundaries and Franchise, presented by the Attorney General as Chairman; to be printed.
6. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday, July 5.
7. Sydney Corporation Bill further considered; to be further considered To-morrow.

Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
4. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 5.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 29 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Mr. H. H. Macarthur presented a Petition from 34 Landholders, Settlers, and other Inhabitants of the County of Argyle, setting forth that the Bill now before the Council, to authorise the election of Directors of Police and Public Works, was, in their opinion, a measure objectionable on constitutional grounds; that if passed, it would depress the value of their property, and operate as a check to the improvements of the waste lands; and that, at the present moment, it would be ruinous to the land and stockholders of the Colony; and praying for the withdrawal of the Bill; read and received.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council "*A Bill to facilitate proceedings by and against the Proprietors of a certain Joint Stock Company, lately carrying on business in Maitland, in the Colony of New South Wales, under the name, style, or firm, of 'THE HUNTER'S RIVER AUCTION COMPANY'; and for other purposes therein mentioned*"; Bill read a first time; to be printed.
3. Moved by Mr. Jones, That His Excellency the Governor be respectfully requested to lay before this Council, a Return of the number of tierces and barrels of Salt Beef, imported into New South Wales, from the year 1832 to the year 1842; stating the number of pounds weight imported in each year; the declared import value; the duty received thereon; and specifying how much of it was of British, and how much of Foreign curing. Also, a similar Return of Salt Pork, imported during the above period. Passed.
4. Sydney Corporation Bill; further considered; to be further considered To-morrow. Council adjourned at Four o'Clock until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; third reading.
4. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, JULY 5.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30.

1. Mr. Berry; That Clause 57 of the Sydney Corporation Bill, be recommitted.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 30 JUNE, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill, read a first time yesterday; referred to a Subcommittee, to consist of the following gentlemen:—

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,
MR. BERRY,

MR. JONES,
MR. JAMES MACARTHUR:

2. Sydney Corporation Bill further considered; Mr. Berry, in pursuance of notice, moved "That Clause 57 of the Sydney Corporation Bill be recommitted;" passed. Clause recommitted accordingly, and amended; Bill to be fairly transcribed and presented to His Excellency the Governor, by The Attorney General and Mr. Jones.
3. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday, July 5.
4. New Zealand and Van Diemen's Land Produce Duty Exemption Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading deferred until Wednesday, July 6.
Council adjourned at Three o'clock, until Tuesday next, July 5, at Twelve o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 5:

1. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; second reading.
2. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; third reading.
3. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6.

2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 5 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. **ABSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 15 Inhabitants and Landholders of the Glebe, near Sydney, praying that the Municipal Boundaries of Sydney may not be so extended as to include the Glebe, or render them liable to the payment of rates in respect of their property there, on the ground that, their houses being country residences, they neither require, nor would they receive any benefit from the improvements under the Corporation Bill, whilst all of them, save two, will, independently of their property at the Glebe, be subject to payment of the rates in respect of their offices in Sydney;—read and received.
2. Mr. Campbell presented a Petition from 33 Landholders and Settlers, in the District of Queanbeyan, praying that the further consideration of the Police and Public Works Bill may be deferred until its provisions can be discussed in a House of Representatives, chosen by the Colonists, on the ground that their interests as settlers are not sufficiently represented in the present Council, and that the taxation clauses of the Bill are calculated still farther to depress the value of Land and Stock, by deterring persons from investing money in the purchase of either;—read and received.
3. Mr. H. H. Macarthur presented a Petition from 30 Magistrates, Landholders, and Inhabitants of the District of Penrith, praying that the Police and Public Works Bill may not be passed this Session, on nearly similar grounds;—read and received.
4. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 76 Landholders, Settlers, and other Inhabitants of Bathurst, praying that the Police and Public Works Bill may be withdrawn, on the ground that the Settlers can not, in the present distressed circumstances of the Colony, bear the burden of taxation which it would cast upon them;—read and received.
5. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from Mr. Francis Murphy, a Magistrate of the Territory, praying that the Council may deem the application of the Police and Public Works Bill to the District of Argyle inexpedient, on the ground that out of a population of 3,770 souls, there are only about 100 persons possessed of property on which the rates proposed to be collected under the Bill could be levied;—received.
6. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 122 Land and Householdors of the Town and District of Liverpool, praying that the Police and Public Works Bill may not be passed, on the ground that a large portion of the Police expenses, to defray which the greater proportion of the money to be collected under the Bill is to be appropriated, is incurred by reason of the late penal character of the Colony, and that the pastoral interests, already on the verge of ruin, would be doubly taxed, by the rates being levied on land as well as stock;—read and received.
7. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 369 Landholders and Residents in the District of the Cowpastures and its vicinity, praying that the Police and Public Works Bill may be deferred until its provisions can be discussed in a Representative Assembly;—read and received.
8. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 946 Land and Householdors of the Town and District of Parramatta, praying that the Police and Public Works Bill may not be passed, on the ground that the taxation clauses of the Bill would be unequal, oppressive, and in some instances, ruinous; and that the exercise of powers of direct taxation by a Legislature in which the people are not represented, is a departure from constitutional principles, which can only be justified by the most urgent necessity, even where such a power has been expressly conferred;—read and received.
9. Directors of Police and Public Works Bill; motion made and question put, that the second reading be proceeded with; negatived.
Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6.

1. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; third reading.
2. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 6 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Mr. James Macarthur presented a Petition from 5,106 Inhabitants of the Town of Sydney and its Vicinity, resident within the Boundaries proposed under a Bill now before the Council for incorporating the Inhabitants of Sydney, praying that the Bill may be withdrawn, on the ground that it does not confer on the Corporation all the endowments prayed for in the two Petitions previously presented;—read and received.
 2. His Excellency the Governor presented a Petition from 1,521 operatives, residing as aforesaid, expressive of their opinion of the necessity for equitable Municipal Institutions, but praying that the Bill now under consideration may be withdrawn, unless it be so amended as to confer the elective franchise upon every Householder;—read and received.
 3. Sydney Corporation Bill; recommitted for the consideration of the Schedules A and B; to be further considered to-morrow.
- Council adjourned at Half-past Four o'Clock, until To-morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 7.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; third reading.
4. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That a clause be inserted in the Bill now before the Council, intituled "*A Bill to appropriate for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain sums in aid of the Sydney Police,*" giving to the Corporation, out of the general Revenue, a further sum not exceeding £5,000 yearly, for other purposes than those of Police, on condition that an equal amount be raised by assessment on the inhabitants.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 7 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Ten Members. **ABSENT:** His Honor the Chief Justice; The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia; His Excellency the Commander of the Forces; and Robert Campbell, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid upon the Table, "A Return of the number of pounds weight of Salt Provisions imported, from the year 1835 to the year 1841, inclusive, stating the quantity in each year, the declared Import value, the Duty received, and specifying how much of it is of British, and how much of Foreign curing;" to be printed.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill further considered; to be further considered on Tuesday next, July 12.
3. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading deferred until Wednesday, July 13.
4. Joint Stock Companies Proceedings further facilitation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; to be read a second time on Wednesday, July 13.
Council adjourned at Half-past Two o'Clock, until Tuesday next, July 12, at Twelve o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 12.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; further consideration.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Mr. James Macarthur; That on the question being put, that a day be fixed for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Inhabitants of Sydney, he will move that the Bill be read that day six months.

TUESDAY, JULY 12.

1. The Attorney General; That the clause of the Sydney Corporation Bill, fixing the Citizens' qualification, being clause IV. in the original, and clause XII. in the amended Bill, be recommitted for the purpose of inserting "Twenty" in lieu of "Forty" pounds.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That a clause be inserted in the Bill now before the Council, intituled, "*A Bill to appropriate for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain sums in aid of the Sydney Police,*" giving to the Corporation, out of the General Revenue, a further sum not exceeding £5,000 yearly, for other purposes than those of Police, on condition that an equal amount be raised by assessment on the inhabitants.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 12 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Twelve Members. ABSENT: The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, and John Blaxland, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. The Attorney General having stated in the course of remarks introductory to the motion of which he gave notice on the 7th instant, that the name of "Robert Fitzgerald, J. P.," attached to a petition against the Corporation Bill, from 5,106 Inhabitants of Sydney, and received by the Council on the 6th July instant, was not written by, or with the knowledge of, the gentleman whose signature it purported to be; The Colonial Secretary moved that Mr. Fitzgerald, who was observed to be in the Gallery of the Chamber, should be called in and questioned on the subject; passed. Mr. Fitzgerald being introduced, stated to the Council, that the signature in question was not his; that it was attached to the petition without his knowledge or consent; and that, so far as he knew, there was no other "Robert Fitzgerald, J. P." in the Colony.
2. Sydney Corporation Bill; further considered and amended; The Attorney General in pursuance of notice, moved "That the clause of the Bill, fixing the Citizens' qualification, being clause IV. in the original, and clause XII. in the amended Bill, be recommitted, for the purpose of inserting "Twenty" in lieu of "Forty Pounds;" Moved as an amendment by Mr. Jones, that "Twenty-five Pounds" be inserted instead of "Forty;" Amendment carried. Bill to be fairly transcribed and again presented to His Excellency the Governor, by the Attorney General and Mr. Jones. His Excellency the Governor having again laid the Bill before the Council, The Colonial Secretary moved that the Bill be read a third time on Wednesday, July 20. Mr. James Macarthur, in pursuance of notice, moved as an amendment, that the Bill be read this day six months; Council divided; for the Original motion, seven; for the Amendment, four; Original motion carried.
Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until Tuesday next, July 19, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 19.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20.

1. Sydney Corporation Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, JULY 19.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That a clause be inserted in the Bill now before the Council, intituled, "*A Bill to appropriate for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain sums in aid of the Sydney Police,*" giving to the Corporation, out of the General Revenue, a further sum not exceeding £5,000 yearly, for other purposes than those of Police, on condition that an equal amount be raised by assessment on the inhabitants.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 20 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. ABSENT: John Blaxland, Esq., Sir John Jamison, and James Macarthur, Esq.

1. The Meeting of the Council, appointed for yesterday, having, in consequence of the non-attendance of a Quorum of the Members, been adjourned to this day, at 12 o'clock, the Council met pursuant to that adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair.
Sums in aid of Sydney Police Appropriation Bill; The Colonial Secretary, in pursuance of Notice, moved—That a clause be inserted in the Bill now before the Council, intituled, "*A Bill to appropriate, for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain sums in aid of the Sydney Police,*" giving to the Corporation, out of the General Revenue, a further sum not exceeding £5,000 yearly, for other purposes than those of Police, on condition that an equal amount be raised by assessment on the inhabitants; Passed, and the clause having been inserted accordingly, Bill read a second time; to be fairly transcribed and presented to His Excellency the Governor, by the Attorney General and Mr. Jones.
2. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next, July 26.
3. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday next.
4. Sydney Corporation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to appropriate, for a limited time, from the General Revenue of New South Wales, certain Sums in aid of the Melbourne Police, and the Town Fund to be raised by the Corporation of Melbourne;*" to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, August 2.
6. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; The Attorney General, as Chairman, brought up the Report of the Committee: Report to be printed; Bill to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until Tuesday next, July 26, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JULY 26.

1. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading.
3. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2.

1. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police, and Town Fund, appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 26 JULY, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Ten Members. ABSENT: His Honor the Chief Justice, Richard Jones, Esq., Sir John Jamison, and James Macarthur, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and presented to the Council a Petition from 30 Proprietors of Land within the County of Cumberland, setting forth, that in consequence of the "Minute Division of Land within several miles of Sydney, and the distance assessable seldom exceeding one mile," the rate of sixpence per acre leviable under the Parish Road Act (4 Victoria, No. 12, s. 9), was insufficient, and praying for the substitution of the following scale, viz:—

	s.	d.	
500 acres and upwards, rate	2	0	per acre.
100 to 500 acres	2	6	"
5 to 100	3	0	"
under 5	20	0	per allotment.

Praying also that the occupying tenants may be made liable for the rates to be levied, and that all occupants be obliged to furnish true answers respecting the extent of their holdings to the Road Trustees or their representatives; read and received.

2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council
- (1.) The Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1843.
 - (2.) A Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure for the year 1842.
 - (3.) A Statement of the amount appropriated by the Legislative Council, for the year 1841, and previous years, which remained unexpended, when the accounts submitted to the Council for the service of that year were closed.
- To be printed.
3. His Excellency the Governor read a Minute, explanatory of the Finances of the Colony, and of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1843; to be printed.
4. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council, a Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Stanley, directing His Excellency to propose to the Council a Grant to Sir Thomas Mitchell, and the surviving officers of his party on his expedition into the interior of Australia, in the years 1835 and 1836, of such a sum respectively as will make up their pay while absent from the Colony, to double what it would have been if they had remained in the discharge of their respective duties; read.
5. His Excellency the Governor, for the information of the Council, in regard to a Bill to amend the Sydney Corporation Act, which it was his intention to present on a future day, directed the Clerk to read from a copy of the *South Australian Government Gazette*, of the 16th June, 1842, the following extract from a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, laid before the Council of South Australia, by the Governor of that Province,
- "The Act No. 4, of December, 1840, for Incorporating the City of Adelaide, should also be amended by an express reservation of the right to abridge, to amend, or even to take away the corporate rights which it creates. In an Act at once so new and important, such a provision is indispensable, as experience in other Colonies has amply proved. But the Act, even when so amended, cannot be submitted to the Queen for Her Majesty's sanction, until after the lapse of a period sufficiently long to ascertain how far the measure has been actually successful, nor until after the receipt of a report from yourself of the results of the experiment."
6. Sums in aid of Sydney Police and City Fund Appropriation Bill; presented by His Excellency the Governor, as amended in Committee; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
7. Administration of Justice Act Amendment Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
8. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
9. Melbourne Corporation Bill; second reading; to be further considered on Thursday next.
- Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until Thursday next, July 28, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 28.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; further consideration.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2.

1. Sums in aid of Sydney Police and City Fund, appropriation Bill; third reading.
2. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; third reading.
3. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary; The Estimates of Expenditure for 1843 that they be considered.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 2 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Twelve Members. ABSENT: His Honor the Chief Justice, and the Collector of Customs.

1. The Meeting of Council appointed for Thursday last, the 28th July, having, in consequence of the non-attendance of a Quorum of the Members, been adjourned to this day, at Twelve o'Clock, the Council met pursuant to that adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid upon the Table, "*A Bill to declare that an Act, passed in the present Session of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales, to incorporate the City of Sydney, may at any time be altered, amended, or repealed;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council, "*A Bill to amend Schedule C of an Act, intituled, 'An Act for appointing and empowering Commissioners to examine and report upon claims to Grants of Land, under the Great Seal of the Colony of New South Wales;'*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, a Despatch from The Right Honorable Lord Stanley, directing the proposal to the Council of an amendment in the Act of the Governor and Council, 4 Victoria, No. IV., to the effect, that the Supreme Court shall be empowered to reduce, under extenuating circumstances, the fine of £100 imposed by the 5th Clause of that Act, on any Master of a vessel permitting the embarkation in his vessel of any person whose name has not been entered in a certain required List; read. In pursuance of the instructions contained in this Despatch, His Excellency laid before the Council, "*A Bill to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for the better preservation of the Ports, Harbours, Havens, Roadsteads, Channels, Navigable Creeks and Rivers in New South Wales, and the better regulation of Shipping in the same;'*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, Schedules A and B of the Melbourne Corporation Bill; to be printed.
5. Moved by Mr. James Macarthur, That His Excellency the Governor be respectfully requested to lay before this Council, previously to the discussion of the several Estimates to which they refer, the following Returns:—

SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

- (1.) A Return shewing the several districts or stations to which it is proposed to attach the three Surveyors, thirteen assistant Surveyors, eight Draftsmen, seven Clerks, three Messengers, and fifteen Overseers, included in the Estimate No. II, of the probable expenses of the Department of the Surveyor-General for the year 1843.
- (2.) A Statement of the number of acres of Crown Land surveyed during the year 1841, distinguishing the quantity surveyed by contract from that surveyed in the ordinary manner.
- (3.) A Statement of the expense per section of the contract surveys of Crown Lands during the year 1841.

PUBLIC WORKS.

- (1.) A Return of the number of men now employed on the roads, or other Colonial Public Works, shewing the places at which they are employed, and the nature of their employment.
- (2.) A similar Return of the number of the working cattle on the roads or other public works.

CHURCH

CHURCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

A statement of the several districts to which the clergymen and ministers of the different religious persuasions are to be attached, shewing the rate of salaries and allowances in each district.

POLICE ESTABLISHMENTS.

- (1.) A Return shewing the several country districts to which it is proposed to attach the eighteen police magistrates, thirty-three clerks, twenty-nine chief constables, forty-two watch house keepers, twenty-nine district constables, one hundred and fifty-four ordinary constables, one probationary constable, one aboriginal native, one messenger, and three office keepers, included in the Estimate of the probable expenses of the Police Establishments, for the year 1843, and the rates of salaries proposed to be given in each district.
 - (2.) A Return of the number and distribution of the Mounted Police.
 - (3.) A similar Return of the Border Police, with the respective salaries of the several Commissioners.
 - (4.) A Return shewing the prices of forage, rations, &c., for the Mounted and Border Police in the several districts, with the names of the contractors in each district.
 - (5.) A Return of all cattle sold at the Public Pounds, under the direction of the Commissioners of Border Police, during the year 1841, shewing the number and description of cattle sold, the price, and the names of the purchasers.
6. Melbourne Corporation Bill; further considered; to be fairly transcribed and presented to His Excellency the Governor by the Attorney-General and Mr. Jones.
Council adjourned at Half-past Four o'Clock, until to-morrow, August 3, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3.**

1. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; second reading.
2. Sums in aid of Sydney Police and City Fund, appropriation Bill; third reading.
3. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.

1. Sydney Corporation Act liability to amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.**

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary; That the Estimates of Expenditure for 1843 be considered.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,*Clerk of Councils.*

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 3 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT :—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. ABSENT : His Honor the Chief Justice, the Collector of Customs, and Sir John Jamison.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Friday, August 12.
2. Melbourne Corporation Bill; re-presented by His Excellency, as amended in Committee; to be read a third time on Friday, August 12.
3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table the following Returns :—
 - (1.) A Statement of the Fees and Fines collected by the several Courts of Petty Sessions, and paid into the Colonial Treasury of New South Wales, in the year 1841; and also of the expenditure of the Police Establishments, (exclusively of the Mounted and Border Police,) for the service of that year.
 - (2.) A Statement of the Revenue paid into the Colonial Treasury of New South Wales, for the support of the Border Police, (exclusively of Port Phillip,) in the year 1841; and of the expenditure of the same for the service of that year;—shewing the Revenue derived from, and the sums expended in, each of the eight districts.
 - (3.) A Statement of the expenditure for the maintenance of the Mounted Police, during the year 1841; shewing the expenditure at each of the twenty-one stations, at which detachments of the Force were posted.
 - (4.) An Estimate of the Establishments of Police in the Rural districts of New South Wales, for the year 1843; shewing in detail the Estimate for each district, as framed by the resident Magistrates, and as submitted to the Council.
 - (5.) An Estimate of the contingent expenses of Police in the Rural districts of New South Wales, shewing in detail the estimate for each district, as framed by the Magistrates, and as submitted to the Council.
 - (6.) An Abstract of the Estimates for the Rural Police, for the year 1843, as framed by the Magistrates, and as submitted to the Council; shewing also the amount expended in each district during the year 1841.
4. Sums in aid of Sydney Police and City Fund appropriation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. Hunter's River Auction Company Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
Council adjourned at Two o'Clock, until Tuesday, August 9, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.

1. Sydney Corporation Act liability to amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; third reading.
2. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9.

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary; That the Estimates of Expenditure for 1843 be considered.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 9 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT: James Macarthur, Esquire.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Mr. Jones presented a Petition from 550 persons connected with the Trading Interests of Sydney, representing the great difficulty of recovering small debts from persons resident in the interior, under the provisions of the Court of Requests Act, 3 William IV., No. 2; and praying that the Act may be so amended as to extend the jurisdiction of such Courts to debts of £30, and to render every such debt actionable at the Court of Requests held in the District in which was the Plaintiff's usual residence when the debt was contracted; read and received.
2. His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the request of the Council, made upon the motion of Mr. James Macarthur, on the 3rd instant, laid before the Council the following documents:—

SURVEY DEPARTMENT.

- (1.) A Return shewing the several districts or stations to which it is proposed to attach the three surveyors, thirteen assistant surveyors, eight draftsmen, seven clerks, three messengers, and fifteen overseers, included in the Estimate No. II of the probable expenses of the Department of the Surveyor General, for the year 1843.
- (2.) A Statement of the number of acres of Crown Land surveyed during the year 1841, distinguishing the quantity surveyed by contract from that surveyed in the ordinary manner.
- (3.) A Statement of the expense per section, of the Contract Surveys of Crown Lands during the year 1841.
- (4.) Explanatory Letter from Surveyor General Sir Thomas Mitchell.

PUBLIC WORKS.

- (1.) A Return of the Number of Men employed on the Roads and Bridges, and other Colonial Public Works, attached to the Colonial Engineer Department; shewing the places where employed, up to 30th July, 1842.
- (2.) A Return of the Number of Working Cattle employed on the Roads and Bridges, and other Colonial Public Works, attached to the Colonial Engineer Department, shewing the places where employed, up to 30th July, 1842.

CHURCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

- (1.) A Statement of the stations, names, salaries, and allowances of the several Clergymen of New South Wales, (exclusively of Port Phillip,) as provided for in the Estimates for the year 1843.

POLICE ESTABLISHMENTS.

- (1.) A Return shewing the several Country Districts of New South Wales, (exclusively of Port Phillip,) to which it is proposed to attach Police Magistrates, Clerks, Constables, and others, with the rate of Salaries for each District, as provided for in the Estimates for 1843.
- (2.) State and Distribution of the Mounted Police, Head Quarters at Sydney, 6th August, 1842.
- (3.) A Return of the Number and Distribution of the Border Police, with the respective Salaries of the Commissioners.
- (4.) A Return shewing the latest Prices of Provisions and Forage for the Border Police of New South Wales, in the several Districts, with the names of the Contractors in each District.

(5.)

(5.) A Return shewing the present Contract Prices of the daily Rations of Provisions and Forage, and of Fuel and Light for the Mounted Police, in the several Districts of New South Wales, as well as the names of the Contractors in each District.

SALE OF IMPOUNDED CATTLE.

(1.) A Return of all Cattle sold at the Public Pounds, under the direction of the Commissioners of Border Police, during the year 1841, shewing the number and description of Cattle sold, the price, and the names of the purchasers.

To be printed.

3. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table "*A Bill for facilitating proceedings by and against a certain Joint Stock Company, called 'THE AUSTRALASIAN SUGAR COMPANY,' and for other purposes therein mentioned*"; the Clerks of the Churches of St. Phillip and St. James, in Sydney, called in, and notification of the intention to apply for the Bill having been fixed on the doors of the said Churches on three successive Sundays proved; Bill read a first time; to be printed, and referred to a Sub-Committee, to consist of the following Gentlemen:—

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,

THE AUDITOR GENERAL,		MR. BERRY,
MR. CAMPBELL,		MR. JONES.

with instructions to consider and report upon the provisions of the Bill, and to examine evidence if necessary.

4. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
5. Claims to Grants of Land Act Amendment Bill; second reading deferred until Tomorrow.
6. Ports and Harbours Act Amendment Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
7. The Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; Motion made and question put, that they be now considered in Committee: Passed.
 - (1.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £580 1s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Establishment of His Excellency the Governor, for the year 1843.
 - (2.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500 18s. 9d., (including a further sum of £300 towards the formation of a Library), be appropriated to defray the expense of the Executive and Legislative Councils, for the year 1843.
 - (3.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £6,398 2s. 11d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Colonial Secretary's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (4.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,686 14s. 2d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Colonial Treasury, for the year 1843.
 - (5.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,999 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Auditor General's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (6.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £8,970 16s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Customs' Department, Sydney, for the year 1843.
 - (7.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £392 6s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of Customs, at Newcastle, for the year 1843.
 - (8.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £450 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expenses attendant on the inspection of the Colonial Distilleries, for the year 1843.
 - (9.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £18,954 11s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Post Master General's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (10.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £450, be appropriated to defray the expense of management of the Clergy and School Estates, for the year 1843.
 - (11.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £794 15s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Botanic Gardens, at Sydney, for the year 1843.
 - (12.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £588 5s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Government Domain, at Parramatta, for the year 1843.
 - (13.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated towards the support of the Australian Museum, for the year 1843.
 - (14.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,654 2s. 11d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Colonial Storekeeper's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (15.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,415 15s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Government Printing Office, for the year 1843.
 - (16.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,746 15s. 5d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Harbour Master, at Sydney, for the year 1843.
 - (17.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £165, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Quarantine Schooner "Ariel," for the year 1843.
 - (18.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £509 18s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Light House, at the South Head, for the year 1843.
 - (19.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £552 17s. 6d. be appropriated to defray the expense of the Floating Light Vessel, near the entrance to Port Jackson, for the year 1843.
 - (20.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £259 15s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Harbour Master at Newcastle, for the year 1843.

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- (21.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £250 3s. 4d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Harbour Master at Port Macquarie, for the year 1843.
- (22.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £54 15s. 0d., be allowed as a salary for the year 1843, to a Pilot at Wollongong, in aid of such fees for Pilotage as he may receive.
- (23.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £54 15s. 0d., be allowed as a salary for the year 1843, to a Pilot at Brisbane Water, in aid of such fees for Pilotage as he may receive.
- (24.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £346, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Telegraph Stations, for the year 1843.
- (25.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £250, be appropriated to defray the salary of the Colonial Agent General, for the year 1843.
- Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10.

1. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further consideration.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; third reading.
2. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. Sydney Corporation Act amendment Bill; third reading.
2. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; third reading.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 10 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Fourteen Members.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid before the Council the following Returns, supplementary to those presented yesterday.

COLONIAL ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT.

- (1.) A Return of Prisoners employed in erection of the New Gaol, at Woolloomooloo.
- (2.) A Return of the number of prisoners employed on various Colonial Public Works, &c., in the Colonial Architect's Department

To be printed.

2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council: "*A Bill to provide for the institution of Courts of Requests, and to extend the jurisdiction of such Courts;*" Bill read a first time: to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
 3. Claims to Grants of Land Act Amendment Bill; second reading deferred until to-morrow.
 4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further considered in Committee.
- The consideration of the Probable Expenses of the Surveyor General's Department for the year 1843, deferred to a future day.
- (26.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £13,772 4s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Colonial Engineer's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (27.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of the Repairs of Roads, and the Conveyance of Metal.
 - (28.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of Repairs of Bridges and Drains.
 - (29.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of the construction of new Bridges and Drains.
 - (30.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £3,150, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of forming the Circular Quay, Sydney Cove.
 - (31.) Resolved, that a further sum of £535, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of completing the Breakwater at Newcastle.
 - (32.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £913, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of completing a Basin at Wollongong.
 - (33.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,736 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Colonial Architect's Department, for the year 1843.
 - (34.) Resolved, that a further sum of £2,500, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building the New Government House, at Sydney.
 - (35.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building the Gaol and Court House, at Darlinghurst.
 - (36.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building a New Gaol, at Bathurst.
 - (37.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building a New Gaol, at Goulburn.
 - (38.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building a New Gaol, at Maitland.
 - (39.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,600, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building a strong Room for the Colonial Records.
 - (40.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of occasional repairs to Police Buildings, and of erecting temporary Buildings at new stations.
 - (41.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of casual repairs to Courts of Justice, and other Colonial Public Buildings, and Offices.
 - (42.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £11,481 10s. Od., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Church of England Establishment, for the year 1843.

- (43.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,600, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Presbyterian Church Establishment, for the year 1843.
- (44.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £950, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Wesleyan Methodist Mission, for the year 1843.
- (45.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,350, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Roman Catholic Church Establishment, for the year 1843.
- (46.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £12,000, be appropriated to meet unforeseen demands, in the year 1843, to which the Government is pledged under the Church Act, including building of Churches for all Denominations, and Salaries of Clergymen who may arrive in the Colony with permission of the Secretary of State.
- (47.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,813 5s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Male Orphan School, for the year 1843.
- (48.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,300 5s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Female Orphan School, for the year 1843.
- (49.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,500, be appropriated for the support of Orphan Schools for destitute Roman Catholic Children, for the year 1843.
- (50.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,450, be appropriated towards the support of Church of England Schools, for the year 1843.
- (51.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,200, be appropriated towards the support of Presbyterian Schools, for the year 1843.
- (52.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £350, be appropriated towards the support of Wesleyan Methodist Schools, for the year 1843.
- (53.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,450, be appropriated towards the support of Roman Catholic Schools, for the year 1843.
- (54.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £150, be appropriated to the payment of a Gratuity to Mr. and Mrs. Hume, on being discharged.
- (55.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £1,500, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of building New Orphan Schools, at Parramatta.
- (56.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £325, be appropriated to defray the Salaries, for the year 1843, of the Health Officer, and the Clerk to the Medical Board.
- (57.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,507 1s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Lunatic Asylum, at Tarban Creek, for the year 1843.
- (58.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,500, be appropriated to defray the expense, for the year 1843, of supporting Free Paupers, in the Colonial Hospitals.
- (59.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,600, be appropriated to defray the charge of Pensions, payable in England and in the Colony, for the year 1843.
- (60.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,037 1s. 3d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Establishment of the Judges of the Supreme Court, for the year 1843.
- (61.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,193 3s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Law Officers of the Crown, for the year 1843.
- (62.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,330 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Registrar of the Supreme Court, for the year 1843.
- (63.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,673 10s. 5d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court, for the year 1843.
- (64.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £3,076 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Sheriff, for the year 1843.
- (65.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,000, be appropriated to defray the allowances to Witnesses and Jurors, for the year 1843.
- (66.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,179 10s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of Courts of Quarter Sessions, for the year 1843.
- The consideration of the Estimate of the Probable Expense of Courts of Requests postponed to a future day.
- (67.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,783 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the Salaries of Coroners, and the Expenses of Inquests, for the year 1843.
- Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11.

1. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further consideration.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill; third reading.
2. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. Sydney Corporation Act amendment Bill; third reading.
2. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; third reading.
3. Courts of Request Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 11 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. **ABSENT:** The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, His Honor the Chief Justice, and the Collector of Customs.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and proposed to the Council, that the "Committee on Light Houses, proposed "to be erected in Bass's Strait," which sat in the first Session of the Council in the year 1841, be re-appointed, with instructions to obtain such information from Captain Stokes, of Her Majesty's ship "Beagle," as his recent survey in Bass's Strait will enable him to afford; and to report; Passed; and the Committee, consisting of the following Gentlemen, re-appointed accordingly:—

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS,

THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
MR. BERRY,MR. JONES,
SIR JOHN JAMISON.

2. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table, an Abstract of the verified Returns rendered pursuant to the Act of Council 4 Victoria, No. 13, of the average Assets and Liabilities, and of the Capital and Profits of the several Banks in the Colony of New South Wales, for the Quarter ended 30 June, 1842; To be printed.
3. Claims to Grants of Land Act Amendment Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
4. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further considered in Committee.
The consideration of the Estimates of the probable expenses of the Police Establishments, for the year 1843, deferred until Tuesday next.
(68.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,590 6s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Sydney Gaol, for the year 1843.
(69.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £534 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Debtors' Prison, Sydney, for the year 1843.
(70.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £639 8s. 4d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol, Parramatta, for the year 1843.
(71.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £580 2s. 1d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Windsor, for the year 1843.
(72.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £515 15s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Liverpool, for the year 1843.
(73.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £261 9s. 7d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Campbelltown, for the year 1843.
(74.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,016 9s. 7d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Bathurst, for the year 1843.
(75.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,578 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Newcastle, for the year 1843.
(76.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,293 2s. 1d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol at Berrima, for the year 1843.
(77.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Sydney School of Arts, for the year 1843.
(78.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,200, be appropriated to defray the expense of Stationery, Bookbinding, Gazettes, and Almanacks, for the several Colonial Departments for the year 1843.
(79.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £600, be appropriated to defray the expense of Furniture for Public Offices, for the year 1843.
(80.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £600, be appropriated to defray the expense of Fuel and Light, for Public Offices, for the year 1843.
(81.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £300, be appropriated to defray the expense of the conveyance of stores to the several Public Departments, for the year 1843.
(82.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £300, be appropriated to defray the expense of Lighting the Government Lamps in Sydney, for the year 1843.

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- (83.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £200, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of the Passages of Convicts transported to Van Diemen's Land.
- (84.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4000, be appropriated to meet unforeseen emergencies, in the year 1843.
- (85.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,386 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the Salary and expense of the Establishment of His Honor the Superintendent of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (86.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £945 17s. 1d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Treasury at Melbourne, Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (87.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,261 2s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Customs, Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (88.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,682 10s. 0d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Post Office, Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (89.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £883 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Harbour Master's Department, Melbourne, Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (90.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £441 5s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the expense of Light Houses in the Harbour of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (91.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £170 6s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Telegraph Stations in the Harbour of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (92.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £5,985 11s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Surveyor General's Department, Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (93.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,983 7s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of Establishments for conducting Public Works, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (94.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of forming a Wharf at Portland, in the District of Port Phillip.
- (95.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £5,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of erecting a Gaol at Melbourne, Port Phillip.
- (96.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £4,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of erecting a Court House at Melbourne, Port Phillip.
- (97.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £2,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of Building a Police Office at Melbourne, Port Phillip.
- (98.) Resolved, that a further sum not exceeding £1,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of Building a Watch House at Portland, in the District of Port Phillip.
- (99.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £750, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of Building a Police Office at Williams' Town, in the District of Port Phillip.
- (100.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £8,000, be appropriated to defray the expense for the year 1843, of other Public Buildings and Works in the District of Port Phillip.
- (101.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £4,000, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Ecclesiastical Establishments in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (102.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £400, be appropriated to defray the expense of the School Establishments in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (103.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £594 0s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Medical Establishment in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (104.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £80, be appropriated to defray the salary for the year 1843, of the Tipstaff of the Resident Judge of the Supreme Court in the district of Port Phillip.
- (105.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £700, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Crown Law Officers, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (106.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £939 10s., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Supreme Court in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (107.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £685, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Department of the Deputy Sheriff for the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (108.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £310, be appropriated to defray allowances for travelling and attendance, to Witnesses and Jurors, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- The consideration of the Estimate of the Probable Expenses of Courts of Requests in the district of Port Phillip, postponed to a future day.
- (109.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £226, be appropriated to defray the salary of a Coroner, and the expense of Inquests, in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- The consideration of the Estimate of the Probable Expenses of the Police Establishments in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843, deferred until Tuesday next.
- (110.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £1,722 2s. 1d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Gaol Establishments in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- (111.) Resolved, that a sum not exceeding £2,000, be appropriated to defray Miscellaneous Expenses in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
- Further consideration of the Estimates deferred until Tuesday next.
- Council adjourned at Half-past Three o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12.

1. Melbourne Corporation Bill ; third reading.
2. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill ; third reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. Sydney Corporation Act amendment Bill ; third reading.
2. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill ; third reading.
3. Courts of Requests Bill ; second reading.
4. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill ; third reading.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843 ; further consideration.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. The Colonial Secretary ; That out of the sum of £128,075 5s. 7d., being the excess of the amount appropriated for the service of the year 1841, there shall and may be issued and applied any sum or sums of money not exceeding £29,225 16s. 10d., to supply the deficiencies in the amount appropriated for certain Departments and Services for that year.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Twelve Members. ABSENT: His Honor the Chief Justice, and Robert Campbell, Esq.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Melbourne Corporation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
2. Sums in aid of Melbourne Police and Town Fund appropriation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
Council adjourned at Three o'Clock, until Tuesday next, August 16, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. Sydney Corporation Act amendment Bill; third reading.
2. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; third reading.
3. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
4. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; third reading.
5. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further consideration.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That out of the sum of £128,075 5s. 7d., being the excess of the amount appropriated for the service of the year 1841, there shall and may be issued and applied any sum or sums of money not exceeding £29,225 16s. 10d., to supply the deficiencies in the amount appropriated for certain Departments and Services for that year.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 16 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT :—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT : His Honor the Chief Justice.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Sydney Corporation Act amendment Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
2. Ports and Harbours Act amendment Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
3. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading deferred until Thursday next.
4. Claims to Grants of Land Act amendment Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. The Colonial Secretary, in pursuance of notice, moved, That out of the sum of £128,075 5s. 7d., being the excess of the amount appropriated for the service of the year 1841, there shall and may be issued and applied any sum or sums of money not exceeding £29,225 16s. 10d., to supply the deficiencies in the amount appropriated for certain Departments and Services for that year; *Passed*.
6. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further considered in Committee.
(112.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £16,666 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Surveyor General's Department, for the year 1843.
The consideration of the Estimate of the probable expense of the Police Establishments, for the year 1843, deferred until Thursday next.
Council adjourned at Half-past Two o'Clock, until Thursday, August 18, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further consideration.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18.

The Colonial Secretary; That the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure, for the year 1842, be considered.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 or
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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THURSDAY, 18 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT :—His Excellency the Governor and Fourteen Members.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment ; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Mr. James Macarthur presented a petition from 90 Stockholders and other Inhabitants of Bathurst, and the adjoining Districts, representing that the existing Crown Lands Occupation Act does not afford a sufficiently secure tenure; inasmuch as licenses can be withheld, though they cannot be cancelled, without conviction of offence; and that a license has lately been so withheld in the case of Mr. William Lee. The Petitioners pray therefore, that the Act may be so amended, as to place the occupation of Crown Lands by license, on a more secure and permanent footing; and that in any case of complaint against an occupant under license, of so serious a nature as to involve a question as to the propriety of renewing his license, the Governor may be authorised to appoint a Board of Inquiry on the spot, to investigate and report on the circumstances; and they pray that such a Board may now be appointed to inquire into the case of Mr. Lee. They also pray for a further amendment in the Act, which, by making the recommendation of three Magistrates, resident in the applicant's neighbourhood, a necessary preliminary to the obtaining of a license, may have the effect of preventing the occupation of Crown Lands by cattle stealers, and persons of disreputable character; read and received.
2. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading deferred until To-morrow.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further considered in Committee.
 (113.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £3,632 8s. 5d., be appropriated to defray the expense of Courts of Requests, for the year 1843.
 (114.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £2,704 14s. 2d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Water Police Establishment, for the year 1843.
 (115.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £30,406 4s. 11d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Country Police Establishments, for the year 1843.
 Further consideration of the Estimates deferred until To-morrow.
 Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further consideration.

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NOTICES OF MOTION.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That the Supplementary Estimate of Expenditure, for the year 1842, be considered.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23.

1. Mr James Macarthur; That the Petition of certain Stockholders, and other Inhabitants of the District of Bathurst, and other adjoining Districts, praying for alteration and amendment of the Act to restrain the unauthorised occupation of Crown Lands, and for inquiry into the case of Mr. William Lee, be taken into consideration, with a view to determine how far it may be expedient and right, to institute the inquiry, and make the amendments prayed for.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 19 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. Absent:—His Honor the Chief Justice, His Excellency the Commander of the Forces, and Robert Campbell, Esq.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid upon the Table, "*A Bill for directing the application of all Fines imposed for "Drunkenness;"*" Bill read a first time; to be printed; and read a second time on Tuesday next.
2. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading deferred until Tuesday next.
3. Estimates of Expenditure for 1843; further considered in Committee.
 - (116.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £16,691 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Mounted Police, for the year 1843.
 - (117.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £12,563 17s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Border Police, for the year 1843.
 - (118.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £535, be appropriated to defray the expense of Courts of Requests in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (119.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £1,394, be appropriated to defray the expense of the Water Police Establishment at Melbourne, for the year 1843.
 - (120.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £164 5s., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at Williams' Town, for the year 1843.
 - (121.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £1,124 3s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at Geelong, for the year 1843.
 - (122.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £1,096 8s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at Portland, for the year 1843.
 - (123.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £431 13s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at the Grange, in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (124.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £437 13s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at Port Fairy, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (125.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £437 13s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at the Grampians and Pyrenees, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (126.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £437 13s. 9d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Police Establishment at the Goulburn or Broken River, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (127.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £2,695 15s. 10d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Mounted Police in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (128.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £3,651 12s. 6d., be appropriated to defray the expense of the Border Police in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
 - (129.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £2,675 5s. be appropriated to defray the expense of the Native Police in the district of Port Phillip, for the year 1843.
4. The Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1842; motion made and question put, that they be now considered in Committee; passed.
 - (1.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £208 6s. 8d., be appropriated to meet the half salary of Campbell D. Riddell Esq., Colonial Treasurer, absent on leave, from 1st October, 1840, to 28th February, 1841.
 - (2.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £290, be appropriated to defray the Supplementary expense of the Auditor General's Department, for the year 1842.
 - (3.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £76 15s., be appropriated to defray the supplementary expense for the year 1842, of the Colonial Storekeeper's Department.
 - (4.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £933 6s. 8d., be appropriated to defray the Supplementary expense, for the year 1842, of the Roman Catholic Church Establishment

- (5.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £96 5s. be appropriated to defray the Supplementary expense, for the year 1842, of the Presbyterian Schools.
- (6.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £329 6s. 6d., be appropriated in aid of the funds of the Sydney Dispensary, an equal amount having been raised by private subscriptions in 1841.
- (7.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £71 19s., be appropriated in aid of the funds of the Australian School Society, an equal amount having been raised by private subscriptions in 1841.
- (8.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £1,061 6s. 4d., be appropriated as a Gratuity to Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General, for services while employed in exploring the interior beyond the boundaries of location, from 6th April to 14th September, 1835, and from 17th March to 28th October, 1836, in all, 388 days, at £1,000 per annum.
- (9.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £1,500, be appropriated to meet the Drafts of the respective Officers of Ordnance, for erecting the New Military Barracks, Sydney.
- (10.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £3,890 14s. 2d., be appropriated towards defraying the expense of erecting the New Gaol at Bathurst, being the sum remaining unexpended on the 31st December, 1841, of the amount appropriated for the erection of the New Gaol and Court House.
- (11.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £5,083 2s., be appropriated towards defraying the expense of erecting the New Gaol at Goulburn, being inclusive of the sum of £3,083 2s., remaining unexpended on 31st December, 1841.
- (12.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £3,000, be appropriated towards defraying the expense of erecting the New Gaol at Maitland, being a portion of the sum of £6,327 17s. 3d., appropriated for the service of the year 1841, but not expended in that year.
- (13.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £250, be appropriated towards building a Court and Watch-house, Murrurundi, being a moiety of the sum of £500 appropriated for the service of the year 1841, but not expended in that year.
- (14.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £274 7s. 6d., be appropriated to cover the expense of additional work to the Gaol at Berrima.
- (15.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £774 17s. 1d., be appropriated to defray Supplementary expenses of Establishments and Services, in the District of Port Phillip, for the year 1842.
- (16.) Resolved that a sum not exceeding £225, be appropriated to defray the cost of three Camels.
5. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table "*A Bill for applying certain sums arising from the Revenue receivable in New South Wales, to the service thereof, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and for further appropriating the said Revenue;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed; and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until Tuesday, August 23, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
2. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Appropriation Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23.

1. Mr James Macarthur; That the Petition of certain Stockholders, and other Inhabitants of the District of Bathurst, and other adjoining Districts, praying for alteration and amendment of the Act to restrain the unauthorised occupation of Crown Lands, and for inquiry into the case of Mr. William Lee, be taken into consideration, with a view to determine how far it may be expedient and right, to institute the inquiry, and make the amendments prayed for.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 23 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. **Absent:—**The Attorney General.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and laid upon the Table, a Letter from His Honor the Chief Justice, covering a "Return of the number of causes tried, and cases computed in the Supreme Court of New South Wales, in the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, and to the 30th June, 1842; shewing the number of causes tried, and cases computed in each year respectively; distinguishing those that went by default, and those that were tried before Assessors and Common and Special Juries; and the number of cases in which a verdict was recorded under "Thirty Pounds;" Letter read, and, with Return, ordered to be printed.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table "A Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Will of Samuel Foster, late of Birmingham, gentleman, deceased, to grant Leases." The Clerks of the Churches of St. Philip and St. James, in Sydney, and of the Church at Castlereagh, called in, and notification of the intention to apply for the Bill having been fixed on the doors of the said Churches, on three successive Sundays, being the 7th, 14th, and 21st August, instant, proved; Bill read a first time; to be printed, and referred to a Sub-Committee, to consist of the following Gentlemen:—

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,

THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
MR. BERRY,

MR. JONES,
MR. H. H. MACARTHUR.

3. Mr James Macarthur, in pursuance of notice, that he would on this day move, that the Petition of certain Stockholders, and other Inhabitants of the District of Bathurst, and other adjoining Districts, praying for alteration and amendment of the Act to restrain the unauthorised occupation of Crown Lands, and for inquiry into the case of Mr. William Lee, be taken into consideration, with a view to determine how far it may be expedient and right, to institute the inquiry, and make the amendments prayed for, moved "That His Excellency the Governor be pleased to appoint a Committee of this Council, to inquire into the objections taken by the Bathurst Petitioners, to the Act of Council, 2 Victoria, No. 27, intituled 'An Act further to restrain the unauthorised occupation of Crown Lands, and to provide the means of defraying the expense of a Border Police,' and to report whether it be advisable to reconsider and amend the same as prayed by the Petitioners;" motion, after considerable discussion, withdrawn.
Council adjourned at Five o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

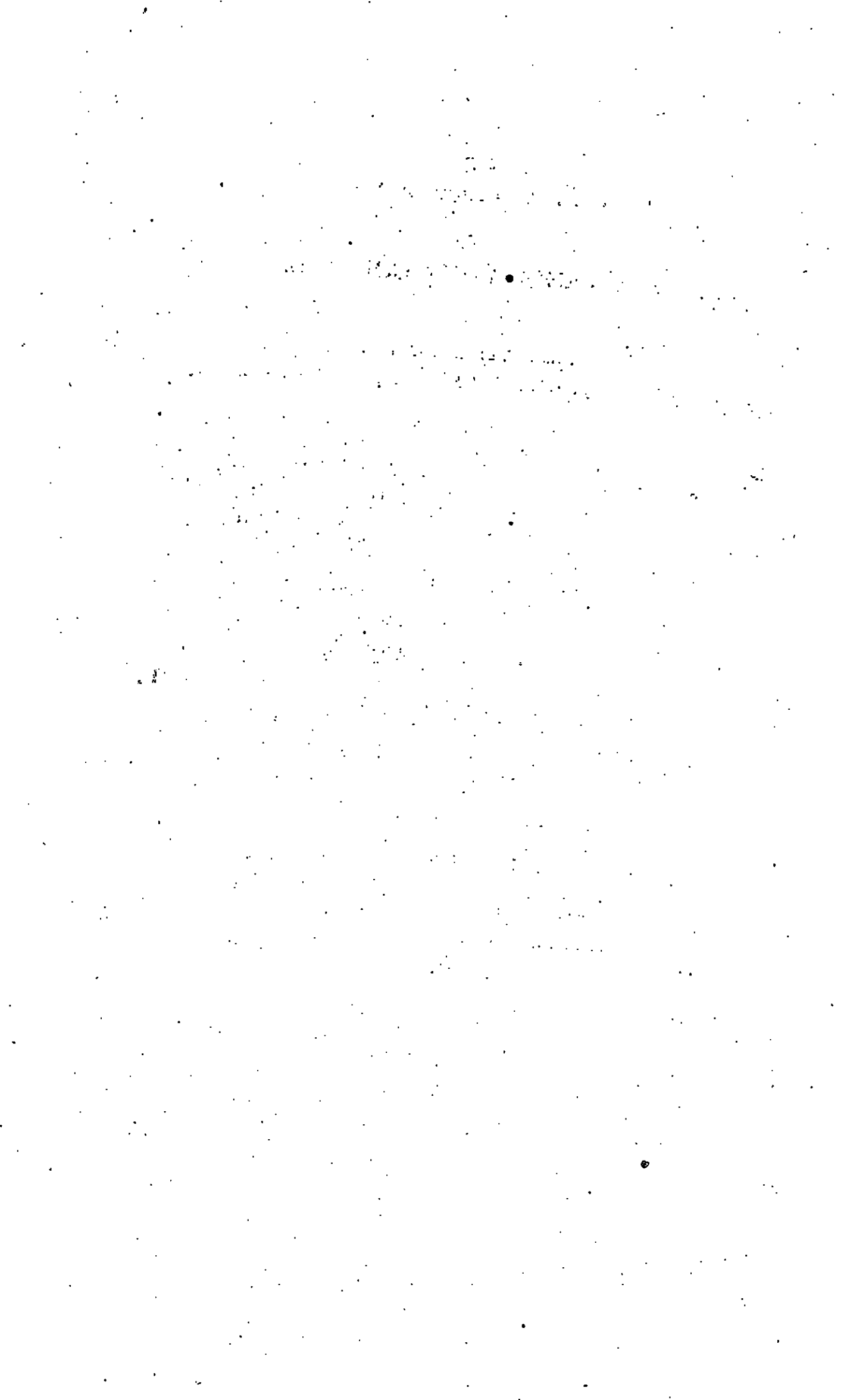
ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
2. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; second reading.
3. Appropriation Bill; second reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils,



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 24 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Eleven Members. Absent:—The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia, Richard Jones, Esq., and H. H. Macarthur, Esq.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair, Australasian Sugar Company Bill: The Collector of Customs, as Chairman, brought up the Report of the Committee; Report to be printed; Bill to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
2. The Attorney General presented a Petition from 80 Inhabitants of the District of Patrick's Plains, representing that they are beyond the jurisdiction of the Courts of Requests held at Maitland and at Scone, and that they have, in consequence, no means of recovering small debts, but by bringing their cases before the Supreme Court; and praying for the establishment of a Court of Requests in the central Town of Singleton; read and received.
3. Appropriation Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
4. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading deferred until Friday next.
Council adjourned at Half-past Three o'Clock, until Friday, August 26, at Twelve o'Clock;

ORDERS OF THE DAY,

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; second reading.
2. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30.

1. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; second reading.
2. Appropriation Bill; third reading.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 26 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT :—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. **ABSENT** :—The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Australia.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair, **IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE**: The Colonial Secretary, at the request of the Chairman, the Lord Bishop of Australia, who was unavoidably absent, brought up the Report, and laid upon the Table the evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed; motion made, and question put, that this Report be taken into consideration on Tuesday next, August 30; Passed.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table "*A Bill to continue for a limited time an Act passed in the fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act to authorise the Governor of New South Wales to detain at hard labour, any male offender under a second sentence or order of Transportation;*" Bill read a first time; to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Tuesday next.
4. Courts of Requests Bill; read a second time; to be further considered on Monday next, Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until Monday next, August 29, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

MONDAY, AUGUST 29.

1. Courts of Requests Bill; further consideration.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30.

1. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; second reading.
2. Appropriation Bill; third reading.
3. Doubly convicted felons punishment Act continuation Bill; second reading.
4. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30.

The Colonial Secretary; That the Council do take into consideration the Report of the Committee upon Immigration.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,

Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MONDAY, 29 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. Absent:—John
*Blaxland, Esq.

1. The Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and presented to the Council a Petition from 18 persons representing themselves to have been sufferers as suitors in the Supreme Court, by the default of Thomas Macquoid, Esq., late Sheriff of New South Wales, to the amount collectively of £1,991 17s. 4d.; and praying for satisfaction of their claims from the funds of the Colony, or for a hearing by Counsel in the event of any doubt being entertained by the Council as to the justice of their claim to reimbursement from the public revenue; read and received.
2. Mr. Samuel Foster's Trustees Bill; The Attorney General as Chairman brought up the Report of the Committee; Report to be printed; Bill to be read a second time to-morrow.
3. Immigration Committee; consideration of the Report deferred until Wednesday, September 7.
4. Courts of Requests Bill; further considered; to be further considered to-morrow. Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until To-morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30.

1. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; second reading.
2. Appropriation Bill; third reading.
3. Doubly convicted felons punishment Act continuation Bill; second reading.
4. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; third reading.
5. Mr. Samuel Foster's Trustees Bill; second reading.
6. Courts of Requests Bill; further consideration.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

1. The Colonial Secretary; That the Council do take into consideration the Report of the Committee upon Immigration on the first day of meeting in the ensuing week.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 30 AUGUST, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT:—
H. H. Macarthur, Esq.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and presented to the Council a Petition from 206 Inhabitants of Melbourn, praying that the control of the Town Police may be vested in the Corporation; and praying also for an annual aid from the General Revenue, more adequate to the necessities of a Town, for which so little has as yet been done, than that proposed in the Subsidiary Bill before the Council; read and received.
2. His Excellency the Governor laid before the Council, a Return of the Supreme Court Costs, exhibiting selected instances of unusually heavy costs in strongly litigated cases; to be printed.
3. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; read a second time; committed and amended; to be read a third time on Wednesday, September 7.
4. Appropriation Bill; read a third time, and *Passed*.
His Excellency the Governor laid upon the Table the following Protest, by Mr. Blaxland, and Sir John Jamison, against certain Items of the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1843:—

The undersigned hereby beg to enter their Protest against the appropriation of the sum of £96,144 3s. 8d., (ninety-six thousand one hundred and forty-four pounds, three shillings, and eight pence) in the Estimates for the ensuing year, for defraying the expenses of the Police and Gaol Establishments.

FIRST—On the grounds specified in our Protests entered on the minutes of this Council of the years 1840, and 1841.

SECOND—In a more especial manner on the present occasion, in consideration of the ruinous state of the Colony, as evidenced by the facts—the immense, and still increasing list of Insolvents, which, whatever the merits of the present Act affecting that subject, is notoriously connected with such state of our affairs;—the fact, that this Colony is paying to persons residing abroad, according to the most accurate statements that are at present procurable by the undersigned, the sum of £279,000, (two hundred and seventy-nine thousand pounds) as interest, derived through Banks, and other similar Financial Companies—exclusive of an amount, unknown, on mortgages to private individuals;—the fact, that *the Establishments for raising the principal staple of the Colony do not pay their expenses*; and, that such is the present want of credit, that capitalists are precluded from vesting their capital in Colonial speculations of any descriptions, and have vested it as shares, or as deposits in our Banks—and hence the apparently substantial state of those Banks, and the extraordinary fact, that with the collective capital, *in specie*, of upwards of £474,000,* (four hundred and seventy-four thousand pounds) those Institutions have little more than £200,000 (two hundred thousand pounds) in notes in circulation.

Further, because, with all the above difficulties to contend with, this Colony is now placed in a position in which, *under its present system of management*, it must cease to be a point for Immigration either to capitalists, or to operatives. That, therefore, no relief from our present distress can be expected,—but which, on the contrary, there is every reason to apprehend, must continue to increase.

That, under these circumstances, it is indispensable that the expenses of the Government of the Colony should be forthwith reduced, and made proportionate to our means; and that, among the rest, the Item in the Estimates now protested against, imperatively calls for, in justice and sound policy, and from the necessities of our present condition, a very large reduction indeed.

The undersigned request that this Protest may be entered on the minutes of the Council; and further, that it may be submitted for the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Council Chamber, }
30th August, 1842. }

JOHN JAMISON,
JOHN BLAXLAND.

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*Abstract of Sworn Returns, &c., from the Colonial Secretary's Office, 28th April, 1842.

5. Doubly convicted Felons Punishment Act continuation Bill; read a second time; to be read a third time on Wednesday, September 7.
6. Fines on Drunkenness Appropriation Bill; read a third time, and *Passed*.
7. Samuel Foster's Trustees Bill; read a second time; committed and amended; to be read a third time on Wednesday, September 7.
8. Courts of Requests Bill; further considered; to be fairly transcribed and presented to the Governor by the Attorney General and Mr. Jones.
Council adjourned at Four o'clock, until Wednesday, September 7, at Twelve o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

1. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; third reading.
2. Doubly convicted Felons punishment Act continuation Bill; third reading.
3. Samuel Foster's Trustees Bill; third reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

1. The Colonial Secretary; that the Council do take into consideration the Report of the Committee upon Immigration.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT:—His Honor the Chief Justice.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor took the Chair, and presented to the Council "*A Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Courts of Requests, and to extend the Jurisdiction of such Courts in the County of Cumberland*" as amended in Committee; Bill recommitted and further amended; again presented to the Council by His Excellency, and ordered to be read a third time this day.
2. Australasian Sugar Company Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
3. Doubly convicted Felons punishment Act continuation Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
4. Samuel Foster's Trustees Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
5. Courts of Requests Bill; read a third time and *Passed*.
6. The Collector of the Customs, as Chairman, brought up the Report of the Committee, and laid upon the Table the Evidence, on Light Houses in Bass' Strait; to be printed.
7. The Colonial Secretary, in pursuance of notice, moved that the Council do take into consideration the Report of the Committee upon Immigration, and certain Resolutions founded thereon.
Further consideration of the Report and Resolutions deferred until to-morrow.
Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER, 8.

1. Further consideration of the Report of the Committee upon Immigration, and of the Resolutions founded thereon.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Thirteen Members. ABSENT:—His Honor the Chief Justice.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Report of the Committee upon Immigration; the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop, as Chairman, moved for leave to withdraw the Report for amendment; withdrawn accordingly, and again presented, as amended; Report, and Resolutions founded thereon, further considered; to be further considered to-morrow.
Council adjourned at Four o'Clock, until To-morrow, at Twelve o'Clock.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

1. Further consideration of the Report of the Committee upon Immigration, and of the Resolutions founded thereon.

FRANCIS L. S. MEREWETHER,
Clerk of Councils.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER, 1842.

PRESENT:—His Excellency the Governor and Twelve Members. ABSENT:—His Honor the Chief Justice, and Sir John Jamison.

1. Council met pursuant to adjournment; His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. Report of the Committee upon Immigration further considered, and the following Resolutions adopted:—
 - (1.) Resolved, that this Council, having had under consideration the Report from the Committee, appointed during the present Session to inquire into and report on the subject of Immigration, concurs generally in the opinions therein expressed.
 - (2.) Resolved, that this Council especially concur in the statement of the Committee, that notwithstanding the unprecedented influx of Immigrants during the past year, in which the numbers added to the population have been no less than 23,426, at an expense to the Colony of £328,563 6s. 8d. there are no symptoms of a superabundance of labour in any part of the Territory, there being few, if any, instances of industrious and skilful artisans or labourers wanting employment;—and although wages have been so far reduced, as in some degree to meet the circumstances of the employer, they have not fallen below that level which enables the labourer to provide an honest and comfortable subsistence for himself and family.
 - (3.) Resolved, that the large and increasing sums at the credit of the working classes, in the Savings Bank of New South Wales, afford a gratifying proof of their continued prosperous condition, notwithstanding the recent extensive increase of their numbers;—the deposits in that Institution having increased from £143,000, on the the 30th June, 1840, to £178,000, at the same date of the present year; whilst the accounts opened during the past year average no less than 170 per month, being a considerable increase on the average of all former years.
 - (4.) Resolved, that this Council also concurs with the Committee, that although the copious supply of labour recently received, has, amongst other beneficial effects upon the welfare of the Colony, had that of enabling the settlers to carry on the operations of their industry for a certain period, yet that unless measures be taken in the early part of the ensuing year for the resumption of Emigration, the want of labour will be as injuriously felt as ever;—wages will rise to their former exorbitant rate, and the consequent exhaustion of property, and embarrassment among the settlers, will be again experienced even with aggravated severity.
 - (5.) Resolved, that this Council, adverting to the Resolutions passed on this subject in former years, has, in common with the Committee, had reason to find the opinions previously entertained as to the expediency of negotiating a loan on the security of the unsold Crown Lands of the Colony, for the purposes of Immigration, more than fully confirmed.
 - (6.) Resolved, that although the Land Fund has declined for the present, from a concurrence of circumstances which it is not necessary here to particularise, yet, that in the opinion of this Council, the vast tracts of vacant Crown Lands must form a fully adequate basis of security for any loan of reasonable amount, which could be contracted for the promotion of Immigration in this season of emergency;—nor can reasonable doubt be entertained, that to whatever extent it may, upon trial, be found that the Colony is capable of receiving, and advantageously employing, an additional population, to the same extent a loan may be securely applied to the purpose of introducing that population.
 - (7.) Resolved, that this Council also concurs with the Committee, that the immediate abstraction of capital in payment for the importation of Emigrants, a portion only of whom add to the productive labour of the Colony, the families being for the most part consumers

sumers and not producers for a considerable period after their arrival, must so materially contract that circulation of money which is required to carry on successfully the business of an active community, that it would be impolitic to continue a system fraught with such serious inconveniences. During the last five years no less than 46,000 souls have been introduced at a cost to the Colony of £850,000, exclusively raised within itself, and remitted to the United Kingdom; so vast an effort for so infant a community could not fail to produce considerable exhaustion, nor be made without leading to a state of temporary depression.

(8.) Resolved, that this Council agrees further with the Committee, that these inconveniences would be in a great measure abated, if the introduction of labour could for a time be paid for by borrowed funds, the repayment of which there can be no doubt would be provided for by the capital which would in a short time be created by means of the labour introduced, and the circulation of the capital retained.

(9.) Resolved, that if the raising of a loan in England for the purposes of Emigration, should wear the appearance of drawing upon the resources of the mother country, its welfare is involved in a degree not inferior perhaps to that of the Colony itself in the first expenditure, as well as in the final result of the application of the funds so raised. The entire amount of every such loan would be ultimately repaid from the resources of the Colony, and in the meantime, no part would be withdrawn from the United Kingdom, but the whole would be expended in the advancement of the three chief and leading interests of the mother country, as well as for the benefit of the labouring classes of the British community, now suffering from a superabundant population. The shipping interest must be promoted by the extent of tonnage employed in the Emigration service. The agricultural interest would derive benefit through the demand for victualling so many persons during a voyage of such duration; while few events would be so favourable to the manufacturing interests of Great Britain as the rapid growth in this Colony of a population dependent for the supply of their wants upon the products of its industry, and engaged in raising a staple article of export, which, while it supplied the raw material for an important article of manufacture, would enable them to be extensive consumers of British goods.

(10.) Resolved, that on the grounds set forth, this Council fully relies on the assistance of Her Majesty's Government in raising a loan on the most advantageous terms to the Colony; nor can such assistance be drawn into a precedent which might be inconvenient as regards the claims of other dependencies of the Crown, if, in every such case, the whole amount is to be expended in the mother country, for the promotion of Emigration, with the same advantages to the several classes of the British community, and upon the same undoubted security as are proposed in the instance of this Colony.

(11.) Resolved, that this Council repeats its recommendation of former years, that it is highly desirable that all ships in which Emigrants may be brought to this Colony, should be conducted on Temperance principles; and especially that the sale of fermented and spirituous liquors on board, a practice which there is reason to apprehend has prevailed in the ships of the last season, and has been attended with injurious consequences to the maintenance of order, and to the moral habits of the Emigrants, should in future be strictly prohibited.

(12.) Resolved, that this Council would especially recommend as a measure of vital importance to the preservation of health, order, and morals, in all Emigration ships, whether under the Bounty System, or engaged by the Government, that the Surgeons should be men, not only of professional skill and experience, but accustomed to the sea, and of undoubted character—if possible Officers of the Royal Navy,—and that they should be appointed under the authority of the Government, and responsible to the Government alone for the due performance of the highly important duties intrusted to them.

(13.) Resolved, that His Excellency the Governor be respectfully requested to communicate a copy of these resolutions to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Council adjourned at Four o'clock *sine die*.

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