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A PROCLAMATION.

EDWARD R. & I.

HEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Saturday, the sixteenth day of November one thousand nine hundred and seven: We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of December one thousand nine hundred and seven.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this second day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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HEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of December one thousand nine hundred and seven: We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to Wednesday, the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand nine hundred and eight; and We do hereby further, with the advice aforesaid, declare Our Royal Will and pleasure that the said Parliament shall, on the said Wednesday, the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand nine hundred and eight, assemble and be holden for the despatch of divers urgent and important affairs; and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs, of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly at Westminster on the said Wednesday, the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand nine hundred and eight.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this twenty-first day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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Wednesday, 29th January 1908.

Prayers at Two of the clock.

A MESSAGE from His Majesty, by Admiral Sir Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The King commands this Honourable House to attend His Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Majesty:—And having returned:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at Four of the clock, and acquainted the House that during the Recess he had issued Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament—

For Liverpool Borough (Kirkdale Division), in the room of David MacIver, Esquire, deceased.

For Kingston-upon-Hull (West Division), in the room of the Honourable Charles Henry Wellesley Wilson, called to the House of Peers.

For the County of Devon (Mid or Ashburton Division), in the room of Harry Trelawney Eve, Esquire, K.C., who hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Bonenham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had received the following Letter from Mr. Laurence Justice Ross, relating to the Imprisonment of Mr. Laurence Ginnell, a Member of this House:

2nd January 1908.

I beg to inform you that, by order of this Court dated 20th day of December 1907, it was declared that Laurence Ginnell, Esquire, Land Judge's Court, Four Courts, Dublin, was sworn.
Member of Parliament, was guilty of contempt of court, and was ordered to be imprisoned in Kilmainham Prison for the term of six calendar months from the date of his arrest, or until further order.

In pursuance of the said order the honourable Member was arrested on the 23rd of December 1907.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
John Ross,
Judge of the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division.

To the Right Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their election for which of the places they will serve within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the debate of the matter in Debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of Ireland as shall, for the time being, be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any county, city, or borough of Great Britain, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That it is a high infringement of the Liberties and Privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom for any Lord of Parliament, or other Peer or Prelate, not being a Peer of Ireland at the time elected, and not having declined to serve, for any county, city, or borough of Great Britain, to concern himself in the Election of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, except only any Peer of Ireland, at such Elections in Great Britain respectively, where such Peer shall appear as a candidate, or by himself, or any others, be proposed to be elected; or for any Lord Lieutenant or Governor of any county to avail himself of any authority derived from his Commission to influence the Election of any Member to serve for the Commons in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime or misdemeanour; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person has given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, or such disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the Sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Sergeant-at-Arms attending the House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of Votes and this House be printed, being first perused by Proceedings. Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be Privileges appointed.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing Outlaws and criminal Outlaws was read the first time; Bill, and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from Journal, the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Courtenay Pergreine Ilbert, K.C.G.S.I., G.I.R., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker; and that no other person do presume to print the same.

The following Papers, presented by His the Parliament Parliamentary Majesty’s Command during the Recess, were Majesty’s commands delivered to the Librarian of the House of delivered to the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to the Standing Order of the 14th August 1896:

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports (Annual Series, Nos. 3917 to 3955.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series, Nos. 664 to 666.


Copy of Declaration between the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom and Portugal respecting Boundaries in Central Africa (Barotseland). Signed at London, 12th August 1903.

Copy of Accession of Ecuador to the Convention Convention signed at Geneva, 22nd August 1864, (No. 39, 1907.) Convention convention for the amelioration of the condition of the Wounded in Armies in the Field. 3rd August 1897.


Copy of Agreement between the United Treaty Treaty Series Kingdom and Italy respecting the importation Convention series of Drugs and Medical Preparations. 9th July of Drugs and Medical Preparations. 9th July 1907.

Copy of Accession of the United Kingdom to Treaty Treaty Series the Declarations signed at The Hague, 29th (No. 32, 1907.) Convention of Drugs and Medical Preparations. 9th July 1899, respecting (1) Expanding Bullets; 1899, respecting (1) Expanding Bullets; (2) Amnestic Bullets. 29th August 1907.

Copy of Agreement between the United Treaty Treaty Series Kingdom and the United States of America (No. 35, 1907.)
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respecting protection of Patents in Morocco.  24th June 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 34, 1907.)  
Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and Russia relating to Persia, Afghanistan, and Tibet.  Signed at St. Petersburg, 31st August 1907.  Ratifications exchanged at St. Petersburg, 23rd September 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 56, 1907.)  
Copy of Exchange of Notes establishing a Modus Vivendi between the United Kingdom and the United States of America with regard to the Newfoundland Fisheries.  4th and 6th September 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 36, 1907.)  

Treaty Series  
(No. 37, 1907.)  
Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and Sweden respecting the Estates of Deceased Seamen.  5th October 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 36, 1907.)  
Copy of Accession of Turkey to the Convention signed at Geneva, 6th July 1906, for the amelioration of the condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field.  24th August 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 59, 1907.)  
Copy of Accessions, &c. of Foreign States to various International Treaty Engagements.

Treaty Series  
(No. 40, 1907.)  
Copy of Accession of Nicaragua to the Convention on the Sleeping Sickness, held at London in June 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 42, 1907.)  
Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France for the exchange of Money Orders between the United Kingdom and various French Colonies.  Signed at Paris, 30th June 1906.  Ratifications exchanged at Paris, 23rd October 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 43, 1907.)  

Treaty Series  
(No. 44, 1907.)  
Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States of America respecting (1) Commercial Travellers' Samples entering the United Kingdom; (2) Import Duties on British Works of Art entering the United States.  Signed at London, 19th November 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 45, 1907.)  
Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France respecting Commercial Travellers' Samples.  Signed at Paris, 23rd October 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 46, 1907.)  
Copy of International Convention respecting the Liquor Traffic in Africa.  Signed at Brussels 3rd November 1908.

Treaty Series  
(No. 1, 1908.)  
Copy of Commercial Convention, Protocol and Declaration, between the United Kingdom and Bulgaria.  Signed at Sofia, 9th December 1905.  Ratifications exchanged at Sofia, 26th November 1907.

Treaty Series  
(No. 2, 1908.)  
Copy of Agreement, additional to the Commercial Convention between the United Kingdom and Egypt of 29th October 1889.  Signed at Cairo, 16th December 1907.

International Conference on Sleeping Sickness  
(Miscellaneous, No. 4, 1907.)  
Copy of Proceedings of the First International Conference on the Sleeping Sickness, held at London in June 1907.

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Copy of Reports from His Majesty's Representatives abroad respecting the composition and functions of the Second or Upper Chamber in Foreign States.

Copy of further Paper respecting the Proceedings of the First International Conference on the Sleeping Sickness, held at London in June 1907.

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Second Peace Conference, held at The Hague in 1907.

Copy of Correspondence respecting the additional Act to the Brussels Sugar Convention of 5th March 1902.  Signed at Brussels, 28th August 1907.

Copy of Despatch from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Paris, transmitting a Copy of the Convention respecting the Commercial Relations between Canada and France.  Signed at Paris, 19th September 1907.

Copy of Convention, signed on 31st August 1907, between Great Britain and Russia, containing arrangements on the subject of Persia, Afghanistan, and Tibet.

Copy of Notes exchanged with the American States Ambassador on the subject of the Newfoundland Fisheries.


Copy of further Correspondence relating to Newfoundland Fisheries.

Copy of Despatch from the Governor General Australia, enclosing the Navigation Bill, 1907, of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Copy of Despatch from the Governor relative to the EARTHQUAKE at Kingston, Jamaica, on 14th January 1907, and the Reply thereto.

Copy of Papers relative to the working of the Government of the Commonwealth of Canada.

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Tenure of Land in Fiji.
29th January.

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Copy of Second Interim Report of the Tuberculosis Commissioners appointed to inquire into the relations of Human and Animal Tuberculosis. Part II., Appendix. Vol. III.

Copy of Third Report of the Royal Commission on Vivisection, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence, April to July 1907).

Copy of Special Report by Miss A. M. Factory and Anderson, Principal Lady Inspector of Workshop (Working of Metals).

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Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee upon the Dangers attendant on Building Operations, with draft Regulations, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Checkweighing in the Iron and Steel Trades (with Evidence, &c.).

Copy of Information obtained from certain Police Forces as to the frequenting of Public Houses by Women and Children.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for Home Affairs on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred during the operation of thawing gelignite in connection with the construction of the new Great Western Railway line from Clacton Road to Fishguard, Pembroke, on 26th February 1906.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Mines, with Index and Appendices. Vol. II.

Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1906, Vol. XI. Part I., Colonial and Foreign Statistics, with Index to Vol. XI.


Copy of Annual Report of Proceedings under Board of Trade on the sale of Poisons and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1899, the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 to 1894, and other Acts, for the year 1906.

Copy of Orders of the Government of India on Chapters XI., XII., and XIII. of the Excise Commission, 1904-5.

Copy of Report of the Army Medical Department for the year 1906.

Copy of Return, in pursuance of section 4 of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1889, of Railway Servants of certain classes who were on one or more occasions during the months of July and October 1907 on duty on the Railways of the United Kingdom for more than twelve hours at a time; or who, after being on duty more than twelve hours, were allowed to resume work with less than nine hours' rest.

Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties Railway as reported to the Board of Trade by the several railway companies. Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the three months ended 30th September 1907, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department; returns to Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into. Part I., Returns of Accidents.

Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties Railway as reported to the Board of Trade by the several railway companies. Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the six months ended 30th June 1907,

New South Wales.

Copy of Papers relative to the working of the Taxation of the unimproved value of Land in New South Wales.

Strait Settlements.

Copy of Reports on the Federated Malay States for 1906.

West Indies.

Copy of a List of the Laws dealing with the Emigration of Labourers from the British West Indian Countries to Foreign Countries.

Tristan da Cunha.

Copy of further Correspondence relating to the Island of Tristan da Cunha.

Natal.


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Copy of further Correspondence relating to Native Affairs in Natal.

Transvaal.

Further Correspondence relating to Legislation affecting Asiatics in the Transvaal.

Cyprus.

Copy of Annual Report for Cyprus for 1906-7.

Colonial Office (Reorganisation.)

Copy of Despatch to the Governors of the self-governing Colonies relative to the Reorganisation of the Colonial Office.

Allies Act, 1906.

Copy of Return of Alien Passengers brought to the United Kingdom from Ports in Europe or within the Mediterranean Sea during the six months ending 31st December 1906, together with the number of Expulsion Orders made during that period requiring Aliens to leave the United Kingdom.

Congestion in Ireland (Royal Commission.)

Copies of Sixth Report of the Royal Commission on Congestion in Ireland, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence taken in Ireland, 18th May to 11th June 1907, and Documents relating thereto); of Seventh Report of the Commissioners, with First Appendix (Minutes of Evidence taken in Ireland, 16th May to 23rd August 1907, and Documents relating thereto); and Second Appendix (Statistics relating to Holdings); of Eighth Report of the Commissioners, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence taken in County Mayo, 21st August to 3rd September 1907, and Documents relating thereto).

Copy of Seventeenth Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts.

Historical Manuscripts (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Calendar of the Manuscripts of the Marquess of Bath, preserved at Longleat, Wilts. Vol. III. (Prior Papers).


Copy of General Report and Statistics for the year 1906. Part III., Output; General Report and Statistics relating to the output and value of the Minerals raised in the United Kingdom, the amount and value of the Metals produced, and the Imports and Exports of Minerals.

Copy of Fiftieth Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools, for 1906. Part II., General Report and Appendices III. to XI.

Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Prisons and the Directors of Convict Prisons, with Appendices, for the year ended 31st March 1907.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1906.
together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the British Empire each year from 1892 to 1906. Fourth Number.

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to make inquiries with reference to the participation of Great Britain in Great International Exhibitions, with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Index.

Copy of Report of the Labour Department of the Board of Trade on Rules of Voluntary Conciliation and Arbitration Boards and Joint Committees.

Copy of Report from His Majesty's Ambassador to the United States of America on Legislation respecting Gambling in Options and Futures.

Copy of Statement of the Rates of Import Duties levied in European Countries, Egypt, the United States, Mexico, Japan, China, and Persia upon the Produce and Manufactures of the United Kingdom.

Copy of Report of an Inquiry by the Board of Trade into Working Class Rents, Housing, and Retail Prices, together with the Standard Rates of Wages prevailing in certain occupations in the principal industrial towns of the United Kingdom, with an introductory Memorandum.

Copy of Return of the Number, Ages, Ratings, and Nationalities of the Seamen employed on the 4th April 1906 on Vessels registered under Part I of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in the British Islands.

Copy of Report upon the Conditions and Prospects of British Trade in New Zealand, by the Advisory Committee on Commercial Intelligence to the Board of Trade, based on information collected by their Commissioner, Mr. R. J. Jeffrey.

Copy of Report upon the Conditions and Prospects of British Trade in Canada, by Mr. Richard Grieg, Special Commissioner of the Advisory Committee to the Board of Trade on Commercial Intelligence.

Copy of Translation of the New Customs Tariff of Servia, as modified by Commercial Treaties with the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, and Turkey; together with the Tariff of Servian Duties known as "Trosharina."

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Holmfirth and Southworam Light Railway Orders of 1902 and of 1903 (Holmfirth and Southworam Light Railway (Extension of Time) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Headcorn and Maidstone Junction Light Railway Order 1906 (Headcorn and Maidstone Junction Light Railway (Amendment) Order 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, the compulsory purchase of lands, and extending the period limited by the said Orders for the compulsory purchase of lands, and extending the period limited by the said Orders for the completion of the railway and works thereby authorised (Callington Light Railway (Amendment and Transfer) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Dartford District Light Railways Order, 1903 (Dartford District Light Railways (Amendment and Extension of Time) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Light Railway Orders of the Borough of Maidstone (Maidstone Corporation Light Railways (Extensions) (No. 2) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Light Railway Orders of the Borough of Maidstone (Maidstone Corporation Light Railways (Extensions) (No. 2) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, extending the borrowing powers of the Kent and East Sussex Light Railway Company (Kent and East Sussex Light Railway (Further Borrowing Powers) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the said Order, and the Llandudno and Colwyn Bay Light Railway (Deviation and Amendment) Order 1903 (Llandudno and Colwyn Bay Light Railway (Extension and Amendment) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the borrowing powers of the Southwold Railway Company, and for other purposes (Southwold Light Railway (Borrowing Powers, &c.) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, extending the borrowing powers of the Kent and East Sussex Light Railway Company (Kent and East Sussex Light Railway (Further Borrowing Powers) Order, 1907).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, extending the period limited by the said Orders for the compulsory purchase of lands, and extending the period limited by the said Orders for the completion of the railway and works thereby authorised (Callington Light Railway (Amendment and Transfer) Order, 1907).

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the said railways and works (Cromarty and Dingwall Light Railway (Extension of Time, Deviation, and Amendment) Order, 1907).


Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of January 1907.

Copy of Return under section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887, of the number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland during the quarter ended on the 30th September 1907.

Copy of Report on the Banking, Railway, and Shipping Statistics of Ireland for the half-year ended 30th June 1907.

Copy of Return of Evictions in Ireland for the quarter ended 30th September 1907.

Copy of Appendix to the Seventy-third Report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, being for the year 1906-7. Section I.

Copy of Appendix to the Seventy-third Report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, being for the year 1906-7. Section II.

Copy of Abstracts showing the acreage under Crops and the number of Live Stock in each county and province of Ireland, for the year 1906-7.

Copy of Agricultural Statistics of Ireland, with detailed Report for the year 1906.

Copy of Return of Prices of Crops, Live Stock, and other Irish Agricultural Products for the year 1906.

Copy of Second Report of the Viceregal Commissioners on Irish Railways, and Appendix.

Copy of Sixteenth Report of the Congested Districts Board (Ireland), being for the year ending 31st March 1907.

Copy of Third Report, with Appendices, of the Inspector for Ireland under the Inebriates Acts, 1894 to 1900, being for the year 1906.

Copy of Section I. of the Appendix to the Seventy-third Report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, for the year 1906-7.

Copy of Fifty-sixth Report, with Appendices, of Inspectors of Lunaticks (Ireland), for the year 1906.


Copy of Reports respecting Peterhead Harbour Works.

Copy of Second Report (Southern Area) on Fishery and Hydrographical Investigations in the North Sea and adjacent waters, 1904-5. Part II.


Copies of Reports from Universities and University Colleges in Great Britain participating in the Parliamentary Grant, 1907.

Copy of Report on Charitable Endowments Board of Administration of the County of Kent.

Copy of Official Correspondence relating to Board of the payment of Teachers' Salaries in Merionethshire.

Copy of General Report on the Instruction and Training of Pupil Teachers in Wales Education. (including Monmouthshire).


Copy of Regulations providing for Special Board of Grants in Aid of certain Local Education Authorities in England and Wales, 1907-8.

Copy of Report of the Board of Education Board of Education for the year 1906-7.

Copy of Building Regulations for Secondary Schools and Pupil Teacher Centres, being principles to be observed in designing and fitting up new buildings, rules as to construction, &c., and certain requirements as to Plans, Specifications, and Estimates.

Copy of Memorandum on the Study of History in Scottish Schools.


Copy of Report of the Local Government Board for Scotland as to the Proceedings of District Committees in Scotland for the year ended 15th May 1907.

Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics in Scotland for the year 1906.

Copy of Report to the Secretary for Scotland of the Departmental Committee on House-lenting in Scotland. Vol. II. Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Index.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Kenna presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of List of Public Elementary Schools and Certified Efficient Schools in England (excluding Monmouthshire) on 1st August 1907.

Mr. M'Kenna also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amending Order No. 3, amending Final Order No. 42, made under section 11 (8) of the Education Act, 1902.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Universities of the Body of Peterhouse or Saint Peter's College, Oxford and Cambridge, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877-8, on the 27th May 1907, altering and amending Statute XXI. of the Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Universities of Trinity College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877-8, on the 27th May 1907, altering and amending Statute I. of the Statutes of the No. 1. College.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Universities of Body of Queen's College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877-8, on the 19th June 1907, altering and (Oxford,) amending Stat. Tit. II. Clauses 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, No. 3, and 15, and Stat. Tit. XXIII, Clause 8, of the Statutes of the College.
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Copy of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 13th September 1907, defining a Foreign Animals Quarantine Station at the Royal Albert Docks, in the Port of London.

Copy of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 13th September 1907, revoking Order No. 7324, of 26th August 1907, defining a Foreign Animals Quarantine Station at the Port of Liverpool.

Copy of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 19th September 1907, revoking Order No. 7325, of 13th September 1907, defining a Foreign Animals Quarantine Station in the Borough of East Ham.

Copy of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 28th November 1907, defining a Foreign Animals Wharf at the Port of Southampton.

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Copy of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, defined a Foreign Animals Wharf at the Port of Southampton.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented, by His Majesty's Wages and Command, Account of the sums received and paid by the Board of Trade in respect of the Wages and Expenses of deceased Seamen in the year ended 31st March 1907.

Mr. Lloyd-George also presented, Return to Electric Lighting Acts, 1892 and 1898 (London).
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(London Electricity Supply).

Mr. Lloyd-George also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statement, relating to Ramsgate Harbour, of the receipts and payments made by the Board of Trade for the year ended 31st March 1907, together with an Account of the receipt and issue of Stores.

Account of all deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen's Savings Banks under the authority of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 30th November 1906, and of the interest thereon; Statement showing the number and amount of Seamen's Money Orders issued and paid at ports in the United Kingdom and at ports abroad, from 1st May to 31st December 1907; also Statement showing the receipts and payments in connection with the transmission of Seamen's Wages, Home and Foreign, from 1875 to 31st March 1907.

Copy of Account of the General Lighthouse Fund, showing the income and expenditure for the year ended 31st March 1907.

Copy of Sixth Annual Report by the Board of Trade as to the condition and working of the Banavie and Mallaig Railway, the rates and tolls for Traffic, and the receipts and expenditure of any Company in working the Railway, for the year 1906-7.

Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Patents and Designs Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Edward Robertson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Test of Gunlayers with Heavy Guns in His Majesty's Fleet, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports from His Majesty's Representatives abroad showing the regulations and methods which guide the application of the Second Ballot at Elections in Foreign Countries.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dumas presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the President of the Local Government Board on Children under the Poor Law, by Dr. Macnamara, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Board.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the names of all Constabulary Officers now in receipt of Pensions, of all Head Constables, Sergeants, and Constables, and of all Widows and Children, to whom Pensions have been granted since the Constabulary Estimate for 1907-8 was prepared, with the amount and date of Pension in each case.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Treasury Minutes under the Superannuation Act, 1887, granting a retired allowance to each of the following, viz., Charles Barwick, Rural Postman, Scarborough Post Office; Mr. T. O. Hewitt, Engineer, First Class, Engineer-in-Chief's Department, Post Office; Mr. T. S. Williams, Counter Clerk and Telegraphist, London Postal District, Post Office; Mr. W. L. Mowll, Overseer, Post Office, Brighton; Mr. F. Westington, Overseer, Post Office, Brighton; Mr. H. E. Kilbride, Overseer, Post Office, Brighton; Mr. T. F. Hart, Assistant Superintendent, Post Office, Brighton; Mr. Owen Cook, Second Class Surveyor of Taxes, Island Revenue; Mr. F. T. Freeman, Staff Clerk, War Office; Mr. W. R. Barton, a Clerk of the Higher Grade of the Second Division, War Office; Mr. John Guillen, Foreman of the Yard, Chatham, Admiralty; Walter Charles Bass, Established Butler, Haslar Hospital, Admiralty.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Super-Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 3rd September 1907, anannation Act, declaring that Henry Harris, Labourer, Royal Laboratory, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department, Mr. G. E. Maclean.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 28th October 1907, granting a special Pension to Sir H. W. Wigram, Primrose, K.C.B., C.S.I., L.B.O., late Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue.

Account showing all the sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest, and which have been paid out of the same, between the 1st April 1906 and the 30th June 1907, setting forth the liabilities and assets of the Treasury Chest on the latter day; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Return of the amount of Notes issued by the Bank of England, for more than forty years which have not been presented for payment, and which have been paid in, and which have been written off, on the 13th November 1907, from the total amount of Notes issued from the Issue Department of the Bank of England, pursuant to the Bank Act, 1892.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 11th December—Public Works Act, 1907, authorising the renewal of the lease of two small plots of Land near the Royal Marine Hotel, Kingstown.

Copy of Treasury Warrants, dated 5th December—Inland Revenue Act, 1907, appointing Mr. George Frederick Howe and Mr. Albert Graesemann to be Special Commissioners of Income Tax.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Public Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, directing that the Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, which have been paid in, on the 1st December 1907, directing that, as from 1st December 1891, the receipts under section 28 (9) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, be applied as Appropriations in Aid of the moneys to be granted by Parliament for Mercantile Marine Services.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Labourers' Cottages Fund Act, 1906, directing that the Labourers' Cottages Fund Act, 1906, shall be applied as Appropriations in Aid of the moneys to be granted by Parliament for Mercantile Marine Services.
Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the proposed legislation of Australia and New Zealand on the subject of Merchant Shipping.

Copy of Papers relating to the working of Queensland. Taxation on the unimproved value of Land in Queensland.

Mr. Churchill also presented,—Return to a Compulsory Address to His Majesty, dated the 27th day of Native Labour March in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Compulsory Native Labour (Colonies).

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the Trinidad directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules for the government of District Prisons, and amended Rules providing for punishment of Officials for breaches of discipline, in Trinidad.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Postal Agreement for the exchange of Postal Parcels between the Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post Office of the Empire of Japan, dated 31st January 1907.


Copy of additional Articles to the Postal Agreement for an exchange of Money Orders between the Post Office of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post Office of the Dutch Colony of Surinam, dated the 28th October—2nd December 1907.

Mr. Sydney Buxton also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 10) Warrant, 1907, dated 12th September 1907.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 11) Warrant, 1907, dated 16th September 1907.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 12) Warrant, 1907, dated 18th September 1907.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 13) Warrant, 1908, dated 10th January 1908.

Copy of Treasury Warrant, dated 30th September 1907, as to the Foreign and Colonial Post, except Parcels.

Account showing the gross amount received and expended on account of the Telegraph Service during the year ended 31st March 1907, and the balance of the expenditure over the receipts, prepared in pursuance of section 4 of the Telegraph (Money) Act, 1876; and a Statement additional to the above Account, prepared in pursuance of the same section.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Post Office Telegraphs (including Telephones) be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

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Mr. Secretary Morley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on the 30th September 1907, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of the termination of each Loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which moneys have been raised during the half-year.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Account be examined and audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Copy of Treasury Order, dated 22nd October 1907, regulating Fees in County Courts.

Copy of First Septennial Actuary Report on the assets and liabilities of the Elementary School Teachers' Deferred Annuity Fund.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Treasury Chest and to Elementary School Teachers' Deferred Annuity Fund be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders by the Secretary for Scotland prohibiting Motor Car Traffic on certain highways in the Counties of Perth and Wigtown.

Copy of General Rules for the management of the Kingseat Asylum at Newmachar, Aberdeenshire.

Copy of General Rules for the government of the Asylum, Riccarton, Paisley.

Copies of Orders made by the Secretary for Scotland, Office of the United Kingdom, by Act, 1904, providing for the early closing of certain Shops in the Burghs of Dundee and Perth, and in the Shetland and Tollcross Special Lighting District, in the County of Lanark.

Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. XXII. (Edinburgh, No. 11) (Regulations for Degrees in Arts).

Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. XXIII. (Glasgow, No. 6) (Regulations for Degrees in Arts).

Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of Glasgow to the Secretary for Scotland under section thirty of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, for the year 1906-7.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance), and the University of Glasgow be printed.

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Copy of Return of all sums received by the Visitors of Lunatics for travelling expenses, or upon any other account, from 1st January to 31st December 1907.

Copy of the Public Trustee Rules, 1907, dated 29th November 1907.

Copy of General Rules for formal investigations into Shipping Casualties, and appeals and re-hearings, dated 22nd November 1907.

Copy of Accounts of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board for the year ending 1st July 1907.

Copy of Second Schedule containing a list and particulars of classes of Documents belonging to the late Courts of King’s Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer, and the succeeding King’s Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer Division of the High Court of Justice, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Copy of Seventh Schedule containing a list and particulars of classes of Documents pertaining to the Department of His Majesty’s Principal Secretary of State for War which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, this day, attended His Majesty in the House of Peers, when His Majesty was pleased to make a most Gracious Speech from the Throne to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The visit of the German Emperor with His Imperial Consort during the past autumn was a source of great pleasure to Me and to the Queen. The cordial reception given to Their Majesties by My people was warmly appreciated, and cannot fail to confirm the friendly relations existing between the two nations.

The lamented death of the King of Sweden has caused Me much sorrow.

My relations with foreign Powers continue to be friendly.

My Government, animated by the sincere desire to settle by mutual agreement certain questions concerning the interests of Great Britain and Russia on the Continent of Asia, have concluded with the Russian Government a Convention relating to their respective interests in Persia, Afghanistan, and Tibet. The terms of this Convention have already been laid before you, and, acting in its spirit, the two Governments have been able, notwithstanding disturbances and complications in Persia, to maintain a peaceful policy.

My Government have joined with the Governments of France, Germany, and Russia in a Treaty for preserving the integrity of the Kingdom of Norway. The text of the Treaty will be published in due course.

The correspondence recently presented to you has placed you in possession of the results of the Second International Peace Conference at The Hague, which concluded its labours in October last. The various instruments annexed to the Final Act of that Conference show the progress that has been made, and they are receiving the attentive consideration of My Government. One of the most important of these instruments establishes the great principle of an International Court of Appeal in Prize cases. My Government are considering the question of inviting representatives of the leading maritime nations to attend a Conference in London in the course of next autumn, with a view of arriving to an understanding on certain important points of International Law for the guidance of the Court.

The condition of the Christian and Mussulman population in the Macedonian vilayets shows no improvement; the bands of different nationalities continue to pursue a campaign of violence, and the situation gives serious cause for anxiety. The Great Powers of Europe have agreed to present to the Turkish Government a scheme for the improvement of the judiciary in that region, and My Government have made further proposals to the Sultan, and also to the Great Powers, for dealing effectually with the principal causes of disturbance.

My Government are fully aware of the great anxiety felt with regard to the treatment of the native population in the Congo State. Their sole desire is to see the government of that State handing over to the administration according to the spirit of the Berlin Act, and I trust that the negotiations now proceeding between the Sovereign of the Congo State and the Belgian Government will secure this object.

Negotiations are being conducted with the Government of the United States for an Agreement to refer to the International Court of Arbitration at The Hague questions pending between the two Governments which relate to the Newfoundland Fisheries. It is hoped that by this friendly procedure a long-standing source of difficulty may be satisfactorily removed.

The difficulty which had arisen respecting Japanese immigration into Canada has been settled on terms agreed upon between the respective Governments.

I sincerely lament to have to inform you that, owing to failure of the rains over parts of India during the latter part of the year, insecurity accompanied by much sickness have arisen. Prompt and well-considered measures of relief have been taken, and the situation is faced both by the stricken people and by My officers with courage and hope.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

Estimates for the expenditure of the year will be laid before you.

In connection with the financial arrangements of the year proposals will be brought forward for making better provision for old age, and legislation with that object will be submitted.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

Bills will be laid before you for the following purposes:—

To amend the Law of Licensing in England and Wales;

To amend the Law relating to Elementary Education in England and Wales;

To regulate the hours of underground labour in Coal Mines;

To amend the Acts relating to the Housing of the Working Classes, and to regulate the laying out of Land needed for the development of growing urban centres;

To amend the system of Valuation of Property in England and Wales for the assessment of imperial and local charges;
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To improve and extend University Education in Ireland;
To amend in various particulars the Land Purchase (Ireland) Act of 1903, especially with reference to the compulsory acquisition of untenanted Land in connection with the relief of congestion;
To establish an Authority for the control and improvement of the Port and Waterway of London;
To consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children, and to the treatment of Juvenile Offenders.
The Bills relating to Scottish Land and Valuation, which were introduced last Session but failed to pass into Law, will be again submitted to you.

Your labours upon these, and upon all other matters, I humbly commend to the blessing of Almighty God.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Lehmann);
And a Debate arising thereupon;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Ramsay MacDonald):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

Adjourment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 30th January 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, through indisposition, from this day's Sitting:—Whereupon, Mr. Emmott, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Prayers.

Private Bills.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That, in accordance with Standing Order 79, he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:—

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Swansea Valley Gas.
Taft Vale Railway.
Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment.
Upton Town Hall.
Wath-upon-Dearne Urban District Council Gas.
West London, Barne, and Richmond Tramways.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred in the Press House at the Factory of Messrs. Kynoch, Limited, at Worksop' Dale, near Barnsley, in the County of Yorkshire, on the 12th December 1907, by Major A. Cooper-Key, His Majesty's Inspector of Explosives.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted under the Penal Servitude Acts to Ada Wheeler, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the East End Refuge, Finchley, N.

Copy of Licence granted under the Penal Servitude Acts to Elizabeth Davies, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the Home of Compassion, 63, Sutherland Street, S.W.

Copy of Licences granted to William Wood and Daniel Condron under the provisions of the Penal Servitude Acts, 1853 to 1891, to which are annexed conditions other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1894.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th January 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under section 12 of the Workpeople's Compensation Act, 1906, as to Returns to be furnished each year by Employers in certain Industries with respect to the compensation paid under the Act during the previous year.

Copy of Order, dated 11th September 1907, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of sections 41 and 58 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, prescribing conditions to be observed in Factories and Workshops in which women or young persons are employed in the process of cleaning or preparing Fruit, in pursuance of the special exception allowed by section 41.

Copy of Order, dated 23rd September 1907, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, applying the provisions of section 116 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, with modifications, to Factories and Workshops in which the mixing, casting, or manufacture of Brass, or of articles of Brass, is carried on.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Lancaster under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the Urban District of Ashton-in-Makerfield.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Surrey altering the boundary between the Windlesham and Bagshot Polling Districts.

Copy of Order made by the County Council Polling Districts of the County of East Suffolk altering certain Polling Districts in the Northern or Lowestoft Parliamentary Division of the county.

Copy of Order made by the County Council Polling Districts of the County of Essex altering certain Polling Districts in the Eastern or Maldon Parliamentary Division of the county.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the Polling Districts of Lancaster dividing the present Parliamentary Polling District of Farnham into three Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Board of Agriculture and Fisheries on the distribution of Grants for Agricultural Education and Research in the year 1906–7, &c. of grants.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Agricultural Command,—Copy of Tables showing the extent of Land in statute acres and the produce of the Crops of Grain and number of Live Stock for the year 1907.

Copy of Report of the Vice-regal Commission to Appoint a Commission to investigate the circumstances of the loss of the Regalia of the Order of St. Patrick, and to inquire whether Sir Arthur vicars exercised due vigilance and proper care as the custodian thereof.

Copy of Return of Eviction Notices filed during the quarter ended 31st December 1907.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Pharmacy Acts (Ireland), dated 24th January 1908, approving of a Regulation made by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

Copy of Returns from the City Marshal of Norwich, approving of the registration of 1,045 Vendors of fireworks, Begging for the year 1907.

Copy of Importation of Horses, Asses, and Mules (Ireland) Order, 1907, Nos. 1. and 2.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Army (Special Reserve.) of the County of East Suffolk altering certain Polling Districts in the Northern or Lowestoft Parliamentary Division of the county.

Copies of four Orders in Council, dated 5th December 1906, for the distribution of Grants.

Copy of Order in Council approving of Rules made by the General Prisons Board for the government of ordinary Prisons in Ireland.

Copy of Orders made by the Urban District Shop Hours Council of Omagh and by the Council of the Act, 1904, for the County Borough of Londonderry under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Copy of Time Table of Interim Examinations in Ireland for the year 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Holdane presented, by His Army (Special Reserve.)
tation to be used for enlisting Militiamen as Special Reservists under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Bill.

Copy of Training Return of Imperial Yeomenry for 1907.

Mr. Secretary Haldane also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of (1) New Edition of Rules of Procedure for Courts-Martial, containing (2) Rules for Field Punishments.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 5, 1908.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Exchanges of Notes between the United Kingdom and France. Arrangements under Article X., paragraph 4, of the Convention of 20th October 1906 respecting the New Hebrides. 29th August 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Mr. Edmund Robertson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Navy Estimates for the year 1908-9, with explanation of differences.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be printed.

Superannuation Act, 1894.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1894, dated 14th January 1908, declaring that Sir R. Hay Drummond Hay, His Majesty's Consul General, Beirut, formerly Clerk to the Mission, Tangier, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Alderney Mail Service.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Contract, dated the 28th day of September 1907, between the Postmaster General and the Alderney Steam Packet Company, Limited, for the conveyance of Mails between Alderney and Guernsey, Alderney and Chelmsford, and any other places at which the Company's Mailships call; together with a Copy of the Treasury Minute thereon, dated the 6th day of December 1907.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Account of receipts and payments of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland in respect of funds in the said Court, including therein funds to the credit of Lunacy Accounts, in the year to the 30th day of September 1907, together with a Statement of liabilities and assets of such accounts in Court on the 30th day of September 1907.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Contract, dated the 29th day of August 1907, between the Crown Agents for the Colonies and the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company for the conveyance of Mails between certain Colonies in the West Indies, for a period of ten years; together with a Copy of the Treasury Minute thereon, dated the 12th day of October 1907.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1906-7, showing (1) the receipts and payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1907; (2) the distribution of the capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; together with Copy of the Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1908.—(Mr. Lloyd-George.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will graciously be pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing, with regard to each Parliamentary Constituency in the United Kingdom, the total number and, as far as possible, the number in each class of Electors on the register now in force; and also showing the population and inhabited houses in each Constituency (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 22 of Session 1907.)—(Sir Charles Dilke.)

Ordered, That no Bills, other than Government Bills, be introduced in anticipation of the ballot, and that all Members who desire to ballot, whether for Bills, or for Motions for Tuesday 4th February and Tuesday 11th February, and Wednesday 5th February and Wednesday 12th February, do hand in their names at the Table during the Sitting of the House on Wednesday 29th January or Thursday 30th January, and that a Copy of such Notices be handed in, at the latest, during the Sitting of the House on Friday 31st January; that the ballot for the precedence of the said Bills and Motions be taken on Friday 31st January, at a convenient time and place, to be appointed by Mr. Speaker, and that the presentation of Bills on Monday 3rd February be taken immediately after Questions.—(Secretary Sir Edward Grey.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Address, Resolutions of the House of Commons in answer to His Majesty's Speech, shall, until concluded, have precedence of all other Orders of the day, and of Notices of Motions, at all Sittings for which they are set down. — Address.)

Ordered, That the said adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 29th day of this instant January, was upon the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 29th day of this instant January, and that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. Lehmann); and the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "And, further, we desire humbly to express our regret that, in view of the distress arising from lack of employment, Your Majesty's
Absence. Mr. Speaker's Prayers. Private Bills Question put pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yea, Mr. Herbert Lewis : 318.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Corbett,
Noes, Mr. Claude Hay : 39.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That those words be there added;

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts,
Yea, Mr. Charles Duncan : 146.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,
Noes, Mr. Herbert Lewis : 195.]

And the Main Question being again proposed:

—The House resumed the Debate.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned. Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 3.]

Friday, 31st January 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, through continued indisposition, from this day's Sitting:—Whereupon Mr. Emmott, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Private Bills [Lords.] Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in respect of the Bills comprised in the list reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means, as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

Aire and Calder Navigation.
Ammanford Urban District Council Water.
Argentine North Eastern Railway.
Audenshaw and Saddleworth Urban District Councils.
Barry Railway.
Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company.
Bristol Corporation.

Bristol Tramways.
Briton Ferry Urban District Council.
Cambridge and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation).
Cardiff Railway.
Commercial Union Assurance Company.
Crystal Palace Company.
Fine Art and General Insurance Company.
Fishguard and Rossllaire Railways and Harbours.
Great Northern, Piccadilly, and Brompton Railway.
Great Western Railway.
Great Western Railway (Superannuation Scheme).
Tath-Bay Pier.
Highgate Hill Tramways.
Huddersfield Water.
Keighley Corporation.
King's College, London (Transfer).
Law Guarantee Trust and Accident and United Legal Indemnity Insurance Societies.
Llanelly and Burry Port Water Board.
Llanelly Gas.
London and District Electricity Supply.
London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway.
London Electric Supply.
Magee Presbytery College, Londonderry.
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation.
Metropolitan District Railway.
Monmouthshire County Council.
Northern Assurance Company.
Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society.
Pontypridd Water.
Ravensthorpe Urban District Council.
Rhymerne and Aber Vallys Gas and Water.
Rhymerne Railway.
Rocheister Bridge.
Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation).
Skegness Urban District Council.
South Wales Electrical Power Distribution.
Swansea Valley Gas.
Taff Vale Railway.
Upton Town Hall.
Waltham-Dearne Urban District Council Gas.

And they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

Bristol Docks.
London County Council (Tramways and Improvements).
Malvern Hills.
Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, Private Bill Petitions [Lords] (Standing Orders not
Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- Bristol Docks [Lords].
- London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) [Lords].
- Malvern Hills [Lords].
- Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Middle
  land Junction, Evesham, Redditch, and
  Stratford-upon-Avon Junction, and East
  and West Junction Railways (Amalgama-
  tion) [Lords].
- Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904)
  Amendment [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the
Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—
Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions
for Private Bills, That in the cases of the Peti-
tions for the following Bills the Standing
Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- Dover Graving Docks.
- Lower Thames (Grays) Dock.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the
Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do issue
his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make
out a new Writ for the election of a Member to
serve in this present Parliament for the County
of Glamorgan (Mid Division), in the room of
Samuel Thomas Evans, Esquire, K.C., who,
since his Election for the said county, hath
accepted the Office of His Majesty's Solicitor
General.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Resolved, That this House, at the rising of
the House this day, do adjourn till Monday
next.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do issue
his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make
out a new Writ for the election of a Member to
serve in this present Parliament for the Borough
of Worcester, in the room of George Henry
Williamson, Esquire, whose Election has been
declared to be void.—(Sir Alexander Acland-
Hood.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Com-
pulsory Native Labour (Colonies), which was
presented upon the 29th day of this instant
January, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of Order made by the County Council of
West Suffolk, renaming the Bradford Saint
George Polling District the Rougham Polling
District.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented,—Return to an
Order, dated the 30th day of this instant
January, for a Return relative to West
Indian Inter-Colonial Mail Service.

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this instant January, for a Return relative to
West Indian Inter-Colonial Mail Service.

No. 21.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the County Courts
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Re mutual)
Treasury Order, dated 17th January 1908, (Pen.)
regulating Fees in County Courts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented,—Return to an
Trade and
Order, dated the 30th day of this instant
January, for a Return relative to Trade and
Navigation.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon
the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon
the Table by the Clerk of the House:—An
Account of the amount of all Exchequer Bills
and other Government Securities which have
been purchased by the Governor and Company
of the Bank of England, or on which any sum
or sums have been lent and advanced for the
public service by the Governor and Company
of the said Bank, in the year ended 5th January
1908:—And an Account of the amount of
balances of sums issued for the payment of
dividends due and not demanded, and which
remained in the hands of the Governor and
Company of the Bank of England on certain
days, being those next before the issue from the
Exchequer of money for the payment of divi-
dends on account of the National Debt for each
of the four preceding quarters respectively.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming
King's Speech
the adjourned Debate on the Main Question
(Motion for an
proposed upon the 29th day of this instant
Address.)
January, That an humble Address be presented
to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,
We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal
subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom
of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament
assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks
to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which
Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of
Parliament—(Mr. Lehmann) ;

And the Main Question being again prop-
osed:—The House resumed the said adjourned
Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made
Government
to the Question, by adding at the end thereof
of India.
the words "But humbly submit that the
present condition of affairs in India demands
the immediate and serious attention of His Majesty's
Government; that the present proposals of the
Government of India are inadequate to allay
the existing and growing discontent; and that
comprehensive measures of reform are impers-
antly necessary in the direction of giving the
people of India control over their own affairs."—
(Dr. Rutherford.)

And the Question being proposed, That those
words be there added:—The said proposed
Amendment was, with leave of the House,
withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

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Government
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the words "But we regret that, while views
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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

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Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon
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1908:—And an Account of the amount of
balances of sums issued for the payment of divi-
dends due and not demanded, and which
remained in the hands of the Governor and
Company of the Bank of England on certain
days, being those next before the issue from the
Exchequer of money for the payment of divi-
dends on account of the National Debt for each
of the four preceding quarters respectively.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming
King's Speech
the adjourned Debate on the Main Question
(Motion for an
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Address.)
January, That an humble Address be presented
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Parliament—(Mr. Lehmann) ;

And the Main Question being again prop-
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antly necessary in the direction of giving the
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have been expressed by the British Consul General there, Your Majesty’s Ministers have not enjoined upon him the duty of granting the respectful demand of the General Assembly that former force of such reform by Your Majesty’s Representatives should now be fulfilled.”—(Mr. John Robertson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the Debate.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—(Sir Edward Carson):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then twenty minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 4.]

Monday, 3rd February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Belfast Corporation Bill.

A BILL to empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Belfast to acquire the undertaking of the Cavehill and Whitewell Tramway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Blackburn Corporation Bill.

A Bill for extending the boundaries of the County Borough of Blackburn, and to authorise the Corporation of that borough to construct new tramways in the borough; to make street and bridge improvements; to borrow money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Blaydon and Ryton Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill to authorise the sale of the water undertakings of the Blaydon Urban District Council and the Ryton Urban District Council; to confer powers upon the Weardale and Consett Water Company and the Newcastle and Gateshead Water Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Bromley and Crays Gas Bill.

A Bill to provide for the amalgamation of the Crays Gas Company with the Bromley Gas Consumers Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Burnley Corporation Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Corporation of Burnley to construct additional waterworks, tramways, and street improvements, and to extend the boundaries of the County Borough of Burnley; to amend and extend the Acts relating to the said borough; to confer further powers with respect to the supply of gas, water, and electricity; to make further provisions for the health, local government, and improvement of the said borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of lands for and completion of works authorised by the Bury and District Joint Water Board Act, 1903, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to enable the Cheshire Lines Committee to acquire additional lands; to extend the time for the sale of superfluous lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to amend the Glasgow Building Regulations Act, 1900, was presented, and read the Glasgow Bill, first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confirm the construction by the Conwy and Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board of their existing works, and to confer upon them further powers, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Urban District Council of Conwy and the adjoining area of the County Borough of Connah’s Quay, to acquire water undertakings of the Conwy and Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board, and for other purposes, was presented, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further powers upon the Darfield Gas Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further powers upon the Derby Gas Light and Coke Company was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Draycott Gas Company; to repeal certain Bill, powers of the Long Eaton Gas Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring powers on the Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers on the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Company in relation to their general undertaking and their separate undertakings of the New Ross and Waterford Extension Railways and the City of Dublin Junction Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to extend the powers of the Corporation of Dublin under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Dublin Corporation of Dublin in relation to the health, Corporation
A Bill to confer further powers upon the 
the Holderness Water Company for supplying 
water within the Borough of Hedon and adjacent 
places in the East Riding of the County of 
York was presented, and read the first time; 
and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the time for the purchase 
of lands for and for the completion of certain 
works authorised by the Hull, Barnsley 
and West Riding Junction Railway and Dock 
(South Yorkshire Extension Lines) Act, 1902; 
to authorise the Hull and Barnsley Railway 
Company to construct new railways, and 
for other purposes, was presented, and read 
the first time; and referred to the Examiners 
of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorise the Humber Commercial 
Humber Railway and Dock Company to acquire addi-
tional lands and to make road works for the 
purposes of their dock at Immingham; to 
authorise the said Dock Company and the 
Great Central Railway Company to acquire 
additional lands for the purpose of forming 
junctions between the Dock Company's rail-
ways and the Grimsby District Light Railway 
and for other purposes, was presented, and read 
the first time; and referred to the Examiners 
of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to extend the period for the completion 
of the railway authorised by the Knot End 
Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the Corporation of Leeds 
to acquire lands and construct works for the 
disposal of sewage, and to lay down tramways, 
and for other purposes, was presented, and read 
the first time; and ordered to be read a second 
time.

A Bill to extend the limits for the supply of 
Leicester gas and water by the Mayor, Aldermen, 
and Burgesses of the City Borough of Leicester; 
and to confer further powers with respect to 
electricity, milk supply, and streets and buildings, 
and to make further provision with respect to 
sanitary matters and for the good government 
of the borough, and for other purposes, was 
presented, and read the first time; and ordered 
to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the 
Corporation of the City of Lincoln with respect 
to their water undertaking; and to authorise the 
Corporation to construct additional waterworks 
and to extend their limits for the supply of 
water; to consolidate the loans and sinking 
funds of the Corporation and to borrow money, 
and for other purposes, was presented, and read 
the first time; and ordered to be read a second 
time.

A Bill for empowering the Corporation of 
Liverpool to execute a widening of 
Horbury Road; to construct a tramway in the 
Township of Litherland, and to establish a 
compensation insurance fund in respect of their 
officers, servants, and workmen; for making 
further provisions relating to the water undertakings 
taking of the Corporation; for making further;
regulations with respect to buildings, sewers, and sanitary matters; for making certain licensing and registration regulations; for authorising the Corporation to purchase the undertaking of the Liverpool Crematorium Company, Limited, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for conferring on the Corporation of the City of Liverpool further powers for the better regulation of buildings, the formation of streets, and the laying out and development of estates within the city, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make sanitary provisions applicable to the Administrative County of London; to confer powers upon the London County Council and the Councils of certain metropolitan boroughs; to make the city, and with respect to the drainage of parts of the Metropolis of Hackney and the Urban Districts of Tottenham and Willesden, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make provision for the improvement of the Port of London, and to impose rates on goods imported into the said port, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to transfer to and vesting in the Great Northern Railway Company the undertaking of the Louth and East Coast Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for the abandonment of the Macclesfield and District Tramways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to provide for the vesting of the railways and other property of the Madras Railway Company in the Secretary of State in Council of India, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Manchester with reference to the construction of waterworks, street works, and sewerage works, and otherwise for the better local government and improvement of the city; to make the city, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Margate with regard to the audit of accounts, and to make further provision with regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to revise and extend the period limited by the Mullingar, Kells, and Drogheda Railway Acts, 1903 and 1904, for the compulsory purchase of lands, and to extend the period limited by those Acts for the construction of the railways and works by those Acts authorised; to authorise the County Councils of the Counties of Westmeath and Meath, and the Corporation of Drogheda to grant guarantees in respect of the capital of the Mullingar, Kells, and Drogheda Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further powers upon the North East London Railway Company was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer additional powers upon the North Eastern North Eastern Railway Company for the Railway Bill; construction of new railways and other works and the acquisition of lands, and upon the Midland and North Eastern Railway Companies Committee for the acquisition of lands; to provide for the transfer to the South Yorkshire Joint Line Committee of certain property of the Hull and Barnsley Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to further extend the time limited for the purchase of lands, and also for the construction and completion of the tramways and works authorised by the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Act, 1903, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Padstow Urban District Council in relation to their gas and water undertakings, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Rochdale Corporation to raise additional capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to incorporate the Sligo and Arigna Sligo and Arigna Railway Company, and to empower them to construct railways in the Counties of Sligo and Roscommon, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to authorize the Urban District Council of Slough to purchase the undertaking of the Slough Waterworks Company, and to supply water within the Urban District of Slough, and the neighbourhood thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorize the Urban District Council of Slough to purchase the undertaking of the Slough Waterworks Company, and to supply water within the Urban District of Slough, and the neighbourhood thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to incorporate and confer powers on the Southwold District Gas Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
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South West Suburban Water Bill.

A Bill to empower the South West Suburban Water Company to raise additional capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Stockport Corporation Bill.

A Bill to empower the Corporation of Stockport to construct a temporary tramroad and other works in connection with their waterworks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill.

A Bill to incorporate and confer powers upon the Swinton and Mexborough Gas Light Company was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Thomas Conservancy Bill.

A Bill to confer further money powers on the Conservators of the River Thanes for the deepening, widening, and improvement of its bed and channel between Gravesend and London Bridge, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Bridgford Urban District Council Bill.

A Bill to empower the West Bridgford Urban District Council to acquire from the Corporation of the City of Nottingham the portion of the water undertaking of the Corporation which is situate in the district of the Council, to authorise the Council to construct a pumping station, reservoir, and other works for the supply of water, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Riding County Council Bill.

A Bill for transferring to the County Council of the West Riding of Yorkshire the powers and duties of the Standing Joint Committee of the said riding, and for dissolving the said Joint Committee, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Widnes Corporation Bill.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the Corporation of Widnes in relation to their water, gas, and market undertakings and the Widnes and Runcorn Bridge undertaking; to authorise them to provide and work omnibuses, and to make further and better provision for the health, improvement, and good government of the Borough of Widnes, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Wolverhampton Corporation Bill.

A Bill to extend the time for the construction of tramways by the Corporation of Wolverhampton, and to make further provision in regard to the tramway and water undertakings of the Corporation, and the health, local government, and improvement of their borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted to John Lee under the provisions of the Penal Servitude Acts, 1853 to 1891, to which are annexed conditions other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864. Vol. 163.

Mr. McKean presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of List of Evening Schools Situation, under the administration of the Board of Education for the school year ending 31st July 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department. Under the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings in Ireland which have come to the knowledge of the Conscript Board, and also of the number of Tenancies determined, in the quarter ended 31st December 1907.

Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of February 1907.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the Local Government Act, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 25th January 1908, directing that the Accounts of the expenditure out of the Ottawa Mint Annuity be examined and audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Copy of Account of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855 for the year 1907. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. Under the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the adhesion of Russia to the Brussels Convention of the 5th March 1902. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department. Under the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of further Correspondence relating to legislation affecting Asiaties in the Transvaal. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving statistics showing the number of Deaths from Alcohol in Ireland due to Alcohol and Tuberculosis, for the twelve months ending on the 31st day of December 1907. (Mr. Sloan.)

Mr. McArthur, supported by Mr. Charles Thomas, Mr. Corbett, Mr. Hadwood-Bannon, Sir George Keate, Mr. Austin Taylor, and Mr. Luke White, presented a Bill to provide for the better enforcement of the Laws relating to Public Worship, and to deal with Ecclesiastical Disorders in the Church of England; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Tolwin, supported by Mr. Alden, Mr. Swinton, Mr. Charles Dike, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Fewisch, Mr. Arthur

Order, Bill 2.
Women’s Enfranchisement Bill.  Bill 3.

Mr. Stanger, supported by Mr. Burt, Mr. James Stuart, Sir Charles MacLaren, Mr. Corrie Grant, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Hart-Davies, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Howard, Mr. Leif Jones, and Mr. Soedden, presented a Bill to enable Women to vote at Parliamentary Elections: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Education (Local Authorities) Bill.  Bill 4.

Mr. Henry Walker, supported by Mr. Acland, Mr. Adkins, Sir Francis Channing, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Gordon Harvey, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Stacey-Hill, Mr. Mossie, Sir Francis Sharp Powell, Mr. Verney, and Mr. Winfrey, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Local Education Authorities in England and Wales: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Unemployed Workmen Bill.  Bill 5.

Mr. Whitewell Wilson, supported by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Steadman, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. John Ward, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Alden, Mr. Chissay, Mr. Branch, Mr. Barnes, and Mr. Nichols, presented a Bill to provide Work through Public Authorities for unemployed persons, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of March next; and to be printed.


Mr. Hogan, supported by Mr. John Redmond, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Patrick O’Brien, Mr. Mosey, Mr. William O’Brien, Mr. Dillon, Mr. Nannetti, Mr. Joyce, Mr. Hayden, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Joseph Devlin, and Mr. Timothy M. Healy, presented a Bill to provide further facilities for the erection of Houses for the Working Classes in cities and towns in Ireland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill.  Bill 7.

Mr. Sloan, supported by Mr. Wolff and Mr. Jordan, presented a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the registration of Clubs in Ireland, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Poor Law (Ireland) Bill.  Bill 8.

Captain Craig, supported by Colonel McCallmont, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Moore, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Charles Craig, Mr. John Gorry, Mr. Hugh Barrie, and Mr. George Clark, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the relief of destitute Poor in Ireland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.


Mr. Meldon, supported by Mr. John Redmond, Mr. Dillon, Mr. Joseph Devlin, and Mr. Cullinan, presented a Bill to deal with the Law relating to compensation for malicious Injuries in Ireland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

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Sir Charles Dilke, supported by Mr. Seddon, Shopa Bill.

Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Timothy Davies, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. M’Crie, Mr. Nannetti, Mr. Alfred Scott, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Tennant, and Mr. Westmacott, presented a Bill relating to Shops: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Harland-Burke, supported by Captain Criminal Law Donelan, Mr. Joseph Devlin, Mr. William O’Brien, Mr. Heydon, and Mr. Harrington, presented a Bill to repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Murray Macdonald, supported by Mr. House-lctting Cross, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Charlie Price, Mr. Findlay, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Watt, Mr. Smeaton, Mr. Younger, Mr. T. P. O’Connor, and Mr. Robert Duncan, presented a Bill to reform the system of House-lctting in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Dickinson, supported by Sir William Allen, Sir Edward Cornewall, Sir William Cremers, Sir John Haldane, Mr. Carr-Gomm, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Pickersgill, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Bertram Straus, Mr. Waterlow, and Mr. Wiles, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Elections and the registration of electors in London: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Cameron Corbett, supported by Mr. Liquor Traffic Findlay, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Sutherland, Sir John Jardine, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Wood, Mr. M’Callum, Mr. Ainsworth, and Mr. Eugene Wason, presented a Bill to empower electors in Scotland to prohibit or limit the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in their respective areas: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Winfrey, supported by Mr. Henry Walker, Public Rights Alexander Cross, Mr. Cheatham, Mr. Ramsay Way Bill. Macdonald, and Mr. Higham, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Public Rights of Way: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Jenkins, supported by Mr. Enoch Edwards, Coal Mines Sir James Jacoby, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Shackleton, (Right Hon.) Mr. John Williams, Mr. Thomas Richards, Mr. Hodge, Mr. William Alexander Rhind, Mr. Wedsworth, and Mr. James Haizlem, presented a Bill to limit the hours of work below ground in Coal Mines: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed.

Captain Donelan, supported by Mr. Field, Town Tenants Mr. William O’Brien, Mr. Devlin, Mr. Jaggard, Mr. Baker, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. apugines Roche, Mr. M’Cree, Mr. Powell, Mr. House-lctting O’Brien, and Mr. Geymon, presented a Bill to Bill. amend the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1897: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Marnham, supported by Mr. Oｙeldon parliamentary Marks, Mr. Cowan, and Mr. Brocket, presented a Elections Bill to remove certain disqualifications at
Parliamentary Elections: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Richards, supported by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Tyson Wilson, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), Mr. Joseph Walton, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Bart, and Mr. Fenwick, presented a Bill to remove the legal disabilities of Colliery Check- men: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Sir Walter Foster, supported by Mr. Bruce, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. William Horrery, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), Mr. Joseph Walton, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Bart, and Mr. Fenwick, presented a Bill to enable School Boards in Scotland to provide Meals for school children; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

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Mr. Trevelyan, supported by Mr. Barnes, Mr. Bryce, Mr. Arthur Dewar, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Crombie, and Mr. Russell Rea, presented a Bill to secure to the public the right of access to Mountains and Moorlands: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. M'Crae, supported by Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Mitchell- Thomson, Mr. Charles Price, and Mr. Dundas White, presented a Bill to amend the Police (Scotland) Act, 1890: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. M'Crae, supported by Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Mitchell- Thomson, Mr. Charles Price, Mr. Dundas White, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Gulland, Mr. M'Cullum, and Mr. Raingy, presented a Bill to amend the Law regarding Ecclesiastical Assessments in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. M'Crae, supported by Mr. Mitchell- Thomson, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Young, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Dundas White, and Mr. Cleland, presented a Bill to facilitate the acquisition of Open Spaces by Local Authorities in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

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Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill.

Bill 24.

Merchants Marks Bill.

Bill 25.

Sir Howard Vincent, supported by Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Evelyn Cecil, Mr. Middlemore, Sir Frederick Carne Bauch, Mr. Field, Sir Benjamin Stone, Sir Francis Lowe, and Mr. Parkes, presented a Bill to amend the Merchants Marks Act, 1867: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Sir Howard Vincent, supported by Sir Brampton Gordon and Sir Frederick Bannbury, presented a Bill to regulate the exportation of old Horses and to diminish cruelty in connection therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Sir Charles Dilke, supported by Mr. Bell, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Byles, Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Hodget, Mr. Masterman, Mr. Chozena Money, Vol. 185.

Mr. Robert Pearce, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Shehan, Disabilities and Mr. Whitewell Wilson, presented a Bill to establish a single Franchise at all Elections, and thereby to abolish University representation and to remove the disabilities of Women: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Charles Roberts, supported by Colonial Sir four Herbert, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Trevelyan, Mr. Whitewell Wilson, and Mr. White, presented a Bill to secure the closing of Licensed Premises on certain Election Days; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented a Bill to amend Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

Mr. Bryoe, supported by Mr. Crombie, Sir John Dewar, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Arthur Dewar, Mr. Gulland, Mr. John Henderson, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Dundas White, and Mr. Wilkie, presented a Bill to secure to the public the right of access to Mountains and Moorlands in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Walter Rea, supported by Mr. Brunner, Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill.

Mr. Winfrey presented a Bill to amend the Copyhold Law relating to the enfranchisement of Copyhold Property: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of May next; and to be printed.

Dr. Shipman, supported by Sir Francis Local Channing, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Arthur Government Qualification (Scotland and Wales) Bill.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be Agarism made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But humbly express our
regret that Your Majesty's Advisers have failed to refer to the increase of agrarian crime and disorder in Ireland, or to give any assurance as to the adoption of measures for the better protection of the lives and properties of Your Majesty's subjects, and for the repression of lawlessness and intimidation in that part of Your Majesty's Dominions.—(Mr. Long.)

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do nominate a Committee, not exceeding Twelve Members, to be called the Police and Sanitary Committee, to whom shall be committed all Private Bills promoted by municipal and other local authorities by which it is proposed to create powers relating to police or sanitary regulations in conflict with, deviation from, or excess of the provisions of the general Law.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 95, relating to Private Business, was read, and amended, in 1, 2, by leaving out from the first word "of," in 1, 3, and by inserting the word "Members," instead thereof.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Four be the quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That if the Committee shall report to the Committee of Selection that any Clauses of any Bill referred to them (other than Clauses containing police and sanitary regulations) are such as, having regard to the terms of reference, it is not, in their opinion, necessary or advisable for them to deal with, the Committee of Selection shall thereupon refer the Bill to a Select Committee, who shall consider those Clauses, and so much of the Preamble of the Bill as relates thereto, and shall determine the expenditure (if any) to be authorised in respect of the parts of the Bill referred to them; that the Committee shall deal with the remaining Clauses of such Bill, and so much of the Preamble as relates thereto, and shall determine the period and mode of repayment of any money authorised by the Select Committee to be borrowed, and shall report the whole Bill to the House, stating in their Report what parts of the Bill have been considered by each Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power, if they so determine, to sit as two Committees, and in that event to apportion the Bills referred to the Committee between the two Committees, each of which shall have the full powers of, and be subject to the instructions which apply to, the undivided Committee, and that Four be the quorum of each of the two Committees. —(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further sums required to be voted for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the service of the year ending 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Army (Supplementary Estimates, 1907-8.)—Copy of Estimate of the further amount that will be required during the year ending 31st March 1908 to meet expenditure not provided for in the Original Army Estimates of the year under Vote 5; Grants, Allowances, and Miscellaneous Charges of Volunteer Corps, including the Permanent Staff; also expenses of County Associations.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Lighthouse Administration Order, 1907, for the separate account of the four Revenue Departments,—Copy of Estimate of the further sums that will be required during the year ending 31st March 1908 to meet expenditure not provided for in the Estimates of the year under Vote 6.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 4th February 1908, providing for special Grants in Aid of certain School Boards in Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Account of the Irish Land Commission in respect of Church Temporalties in Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1907; together with the Account for the above period, and that from 26th July 1869 (the date of the Irish Church Act) to the 31st March 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Accounts of the number of persons in each of the several Collections of the United Kingdom licensed as Brewers for sale, i.e., Common Brewers, Victuallers, Retailers of beer not to be drunk on the premises, Retailers of beer not to be drunk on the premises, and Brewers of beer for sale, particularising each class in each Collection; and of the number of Licences issued to Victuallers and Retailers of beer to be drunk on the premises and not to be drunk on
the premises; and stating also the quantities of malt, unmalted corn, rice, &c., sugar, including its equivalent of syrups, &c., hops and hop substitutes, used by Breweries for beer for sale, and of malt and sugar used by Breweries not for sale, from the 1st day of October 1906 to the 30th day of September 1907:—Of the amount of Licence Duty paid and Beer Duty charged from the 1st day of October 1906 to the 30th day of September 1907, distinguishing Breweries for sale from other Breweries:—Of the number of Breweries for sale (i.) who use malt and hops, or hop substitutes only, and (ii.) who use malt with substitutes for same, and hops or hop substitutes, paying for Licences, from the 1st day of October 1808 to the 30th day of September 1897, separating them into classes, according to the number of barrels of beer charged with duty calculated at 1°55° degrees gravity, viz.: under 1,000 barrels; 1,000 and under 2,000; 2,000 and under 30,000; 30,000 and under 50,000; 50,000 and under 100,000; 100,000 and under 150,000; 150,000 and under 200,000; 200,000 and under 250,000; 250,000 and under 300,000; 300,000 and under 350,000; 350,000 and under 400,000; 400,000 and under 450,000; 450,000 and under 500,000; 500,000 and under 600,000; 600,000 and under 700,000, 700,000 and under 800,000; 800,000 and under 900,000; 900,000 and under 1,000,000; 1,000,000 and under 1,500,000; 1,500,000 and under 2,000,000; 2,000,000 barrels and over; showing separately, in each class, the quantities of malt, unmalted corn, rice, &c., sugar, including its equivalent of syrups, &c., hops and hop substitutes used; and stating also the number of bulk barrels of beer produced and the amount of Licence Duty paid and Beer Duty charged in each class:—And of the number of barrels of beer exported from the United Kingdom, and the declared value thereof, and thereof exported to, from the 1st day of October 1906 to the 30th day of September 1907, distinguishing England, Scotland, and Ireland (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 14 of Session 1897).—(Mr. Rancom.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum in reference to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill.-(Mr. Sydney Buxton.)

Percy Archer Clive, Esquire, Member for the County of Hereford (Southern or Ross Division), was sworn.

Sir Francis Channing, supported by Mr. Bell, Sir Charles Schoenau, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Charles Nicholson, Mr. Tomkinson, and Mr. Massie, presented a Bill to amend the Law as to Coroners' Inquests in the case of fatal Accidents on Railways, and for purposes relating thereto; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented a Bill to amend the Telegraph Acts, 1865 to 1897, with respect to the construction and maintenance of Telegraphic Lines for telephonic and other telegraphic purposes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sydney Buxton, supported by Mr. Munro, presented a Bill to establish a Department of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries in Scotland, and to amend the Law relating to agricultural holdings and allotments in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Findlay, supported by Sir Andrew Fors and Torrance, Mr. George Watson, Mr. Beale, Mr. Hodge, Mr. John Downe Hope, Mr. Laidlaw (Scotland) Bill 37.

Mr. Menzies, Mr. Murray Macdonald, and Mr. Buxton White, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Bills and Leases for Building in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Trevelyan, supported by Mr. Bray and Local Mr. Adkins, presented a Bill to transfer to Government County Councils in England and Wales the powers and duties of the Standing Joint Committee: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Higham, supported by Mr. Luke White, Coroner, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Sammell, Mr. Inquests, Bill 38.

Mr. Toulmin, and Mr. Cameron, presented a Bill to dispense with the compulsory viewing of bodies on the holding of Coroners' Inquests: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Higham, supported by Mr. Dunn, Mr. Ballot Act Bill 39.

Mr. Edward Boll, Mr. Shipman, Mr. Clough, Sir Maurice Lergy, and Mr. Fenwick, presented a Bill to amend the Ballot Act, 1872, and to provide for the taking of a second Ballot at Parliamentary and other Elections: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Samuel Roberts, supported by Sir Francis Police Super- Law relating to the supernumerary of the Police: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Staveley-Hill, supported by Mr. Lee, Infant Life Mr. Hay, Mr. Hills, Mr. Bassey Macdonald, and Mr. Nicholas, presented a Bill to amend the Infant Life Protection Act, 1897: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Robert Pears, supported by Sir William Daylight Bill 43.

Mr. and Mr. Horniman, presented a Bill to promote the earlier use of Daylight in certain months yearly, and for other purposes relating thereto; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an Assassination humble Address be presented to His Majesty the expression of the indignation and deep concern with which this House has learned the assassination of His Majesty's ancient ally and friend, His Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves, and of His Royal Highness the Duke of Braganza; and to pray His Majesty that He will be graciously pleased to express to His Majesty the present King, on the part of this House, His faithful Commons, the horror of the crime, and their sympathy with the Royal Family of Portugal, and with the people of that country.—(Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House 8 EDW. VII. 4th February. 25
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as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Order, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Leitrim Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, (North Leitrim) Writ.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Preliminary Tables of cases of Industrial Poisoning, fatal and non-fatal Accidents, and dangerous occurrences in Factories, Workshops, &c., during the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented,—Return to Telegraph an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant (Construction) February, for a Return relative to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKenna presented, pursuant to the Universities directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Oxford and Cambridge Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body Act, 1877 of Christ Church, Oxford, under the University (Oxford) Act, 1899, and Cambridge Act, 1877, on No. 31. the 23rd October, 1897, altering and amending Statute XVI., Clauses 19 and 20, of the Statutes of the House.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Merch- chant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 25th January, 1908, (1) respecting the use on board passengers ships of apparatus for distilling water, and defining the quantity of fresh water to be carried; (2) directing that such things as by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, are authorised to be done by a British Consular Officer shall, in the Protectorate of Southern Nigeria, be done by the Chief Officer of Customs.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 25th January 1908, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to (1) the payment of continuous extra pay to certain Naval Ratings at the Bombay Naval Depot; (2) the extension to the Atlantic Station of the scale of free conveyance of baggage and mess stores authorised for other stations; (3) the extension of the allowance for playing the Harmonium during Divine Service to certain of His Majesty's Ships in which the allowance has not heretofore been paid.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Universities of Oxford and Cambidge Act, 1877 (Oxford), be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 554 (Southern Nigeria, Annual Report for 1906). Report. (Annual.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's National Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Treasury to inquire generally into the work now performed at the National Physical Laboratory, Minutes of Evidence,

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Main Question proposed upon the 29th day of January last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament,—(Mr. Lehmann);

Which Amendment was, at the end of the Question to add the words "But humbly express our regret that Your Majesty's Advisers have failed to refer to the increase of agrarian crime and disorder in Ireland, or to give any assurance as to the adoption of measures for the better protection of the lives and properties of Your Majesty's subjects, and for the repression of looseness and intimidation in that part of Your Majesty's dominions"—(Mr. Long);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—

Tellers for the Viscount Valkina,

Yea. [Mr. Henry Forster.] 115.

Tellers for the Whiteley,

Noo. [Mr. Joseph Pease.] 414.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 5th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Doncaster to construct new roads, tramways, and other works within the borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Margate, praying that provision may be made in the Margate Corporation Bill for an increase in the number of the Council and Wards of the borough, was presented, and read; and ordered to be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
Compton Rickett, Mr. Hall, and Sir Thomas Roe, presented a Bill to grant certificates to persons in charge of Engines and Boilers in and about Mines: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. John Gordon, supported by Mr. Noonetti, Civil Bill Mr. Harrington, Mr. Field, and Mr. Waldron, Course presented a Bill to improve the procedure and make better provision for the discharge of the business of the Civil Bill Courts of the City and County of Dublin: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Edward Dewar, supported by Mr. Higham, Ballot act Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Roundlands, Mr. Gleninning, (1872) Bill No. 49.

Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. Richardson, presented a Bill to amend the Ballot Act, 1872, and to provide for the taking of a second Ballot at Parliamentary and other Elections: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Guinness, supported by Mr. Arthur Allen Polling Arrangements and Mr. Jeveryon Harris, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the arrangement of Polling Districts in Parliamentary Boroughs: (Parliaments Bill). And the same was ordered to be read a second Bill 51. time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming King's Speech the adjourned Debate on the Main Question (Motions for an Address).

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. Lehmann); And the Main Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made Board of to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the Education, words "But humbly express our regret that the recent action of the Board of Education has not been in accordance with the traditional principles of administration in this country." — (Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the Viscount Valentia, Tessa, [Mr. Henry Forster]: 79 Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley]: 272 Noes, [Mr. Joseph Peace]: So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Mr. William Edwin Harvey, supported by Mr. John Wilson, Mr. John Johnson, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Enoch Eboardo, Sir Alfred Jacoby, Mr. Joseph Walton, Mr. Walsh, Sir Joseph

Law of Distress Amendment Bill.

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Thursday, 6th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. William Abraham (Cork), Mr. Crombie, Mr. Duval, Mr. Fenwick, Sir Henry Aubrey-Fletcher, Sir William Brampton Gurdon, Sir Joseph Leece, Colonel Lockwood, Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Herbert Roberts, and Mr. William Frederick Smith were nominated Members of the Committee of Selection.—(Sir William Brampton Gurdon.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bunceiman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further sums required to be voted for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the service of the year ending 31st March 1908.

Mr. Bunceiman also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract Account showing the issues made from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom in the financial year ended 31st March 1907, for the interest and management of the Debt, for the Civil List, and all other issues in the financial year for services charged directly on the said Fund; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

An Account of the receipts and disbursements of the Duchy of Cornwall in the year ended on the 31st December 1907.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 1st February 1908, granting to Mr. J. G. Houldsworth, Assistant Superintending Engineer, Post Office, a retiring allowance under the Act.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services, Classes I. to VII., and the Revenue Departments (including the Post Office Packet and Telegraph Services), for the year ended 31st March 1907; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and certain Reports upon Store Accounts.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates, and the Papers relative to Consolidated Fund, Civil Services and Revenue Departments (appropriation Accounts), and Navy (appropriation Account), be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 27th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Transvaal Colony (Civil Servants Dismissed).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Telegraph (Foreign Written Press Telegraphs) Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1907, dated 15th December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 4th day of this instant February, relative to the Assasination of His Majesty the King of Portugal and the Duke of Braganza, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously; and to give the following Answer:

I thank you for your loyal and dutiful Address.

I unite with you in the expression of indignation and deep concern at the tidings of the assassination of My illustrious ally and friend, His Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves, and of His Royal Highness the Duke of Braganza; and I will not fail to convey to King Manuel your sentiment of abhorrence at the perpetration of such a crime, and your sympathy with His Majesty and the Members of the Royal Family of Portugal, an with the people of that country.

Walter MacMurrison Kanangoh, Esquire, New Member for the County of Carlow, was sworn.

Thomas Charles Reginald Agar-Robartes, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Thomas Charles Reginald Agar-Robartes, Member for the County of Cornwall (Mid or Saint Austell Division), was sworn.

Mr. Courthope, supported by Sir John Dickson-Larcom, and Mr. Jowett, presented a Bill to amend the Larceny Act, 1861: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Smouton, supported by Mr. Dundas White and Mr. Pirie, presented a Bill to exempt all feuars from Ecclesiastical Assessments in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Sir Edward Tennant, supported by Mr. Munro-Ferguson, presented a Bill to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Scotland) Act, 1907, and to provide more effective means of regulating the Crofters' Holdings in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time; and upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sir Frederick Bannbury, supported by Sir Dogie Channing, Mr. Ellis Griffith, and Mr. MacNeill, presented a Bill to prohibit experiments upon Dogs: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Cathcart Watson, supported by Major Whale Anstruther-Grey, Mr. Morton, Mr. Sutherland Fisheries, Mr. McKinnon Wood, and Mr. Galloway Weir, presented a Bill to amend the Whalse Fisheries Act, 1907, and to provide more Bill.

Mr. Wilson, presented a Bill to amend the Highways Bill.
Act, 1835: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sinclair, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to encourage the formation of small Agricultural Holdings in Scotland, and to amend the Law relating to the tenure of such holdings (including crofters' holdings), and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Lord Advocate, supported by Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, presented a Bill to provide for the ascertainment of Land Values in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the King's Speech (Motion for an Address), if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whitelsey, Mr. Joseph Pease: ] 328.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 78.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 29th day of January last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. Lehmann);

And the Main Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But we humbly beg to represent to Your Majesty that in the interests of the trade and commerce of the United Kingdom it is highly important that the status of the Board of Trade should be raised, and that it should be placed on a par with the Office of a Secretary of State."—(Sir William Holland.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

Another Amendment was proposed to be Transvaal made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But we humbly represent to Your Majesty that this House regrets that Your Majesty's Government has not taken advantage of its opportunities to safeguard the interests of retrenched civil servants of the Transvaal Administration, and secure for them due compensation and pension."—(Sir Gilbert Parker.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

Another Amendment was proposed to be Hop Industry, made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But we humbly represent to Your Majesty that the critical condition of the hop industry, which involves so great a diminution in rural employment, requires urgent and remedial consideration from Your Majesty's Government."—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The Yeas divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whitelsey, Mr. Joseph Pease: ] 249.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Supply, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That the several Estimates presented to this House during the present Session be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Wane and resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Means.

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the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Runciman.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to control the arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House.
Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Barnard, Sir Randal Cremer, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Fenwick, Viscount Helmsley, Colonel Sir Ivor Herbert, Mr. John Deans Hope, Sir James Jacoby, Colonel Lockwood, Mr. Lansdale, Mr. McKillop, Mr. Pender, Mr. William Redmond, Sir Edward Strachey, Mr. Thorne, Mr. Walrond, and Mr. Osmond Williams.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

And being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-five minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 8.]

Friday, 7th February 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Madras Railway Company (Purchase) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Duchy of Cornwall, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant February, be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 29th November 1907, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Prohibition of Importation of Bushes) Order of 1907.

Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 10th December 1907, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew Order of 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Board of Trade Rules (Underwriters) under the Employers’ Liability Insurance Companies Act, 1907.

Copy of Board of Trade Rules (Employers’ Liability Insurance Companies) under the Employers’ Liability Insurance Companies Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the super-directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order of 1907.

Mr. Whiteley.

Put the Question whether the Bill on the Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1859, dated 28th January 1908, granting a special Pension to Sir Mackenzie Dalrell Chalmers, K.C.M., C.S.I., late Permanent Under Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of a Contract, dated the 6th day of December 1907, between the Postmaster General and the North of Scotland and Orkney and Shetland Steam Navigation Company, for the conveyance of Mails between Aberdeen and the Shetland Islands; together with the Copy of the Treasury Minute thereon, dated the 6th day of February 1908.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elections and Registration (London) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "that" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House declines to proceed with a Bill which turns a county into a borough, alters the franchise, the electoral boundaries, and the hours of polling in one part of the country without regard to the rest of the United Kingdom, and which does not deal with the question of redistribution."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Dickinson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined to put that Question:—Then the House stood adjourned.

And it being Five of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business;—Whereupon Mr. Dickinson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined to put that Question; and the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.
Monday, 10th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, with Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Bill.
South West Suburban Water Bill.
Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill.
Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Ards and Bangor Railways Bill.
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Margate Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday, 10th February, 1908.

Ordered, That the Blackburn Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Burnley Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the City of Glasgow Bill was read a second time, and committed.
The Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Board Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Crieff Water and Improvement Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Doncaster Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Dublin Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of March next.

Ordered, That the Dublin Corporation (Various Powers) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of March next.

Ordered, That the Dundalk Urban District Council Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Finchley Urban District Council Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Glynnurw Urban District Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Greystones Gas Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Harwich Docks Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Hastings Harbour Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Leeds Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Leicester Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Lincoln Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Manchester Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Margate Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Padiham Urban District Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Rochdale Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Sough Urban District Water Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Stockport Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Thames Conservancy Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The West Bridgford Urban District Water Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Order for the Second Reading of the West Riding County Council Bill being read;

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the provisions of the Bill, which were of too important a character to be dealt with by a Private Bill:

Whereupon the Order was discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Widnes Corporation Bill Widnes Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders do consist of Thirteen Members.

Sir John Brunner, Sir Frederick Cawsey, Mr. Ellis, Sir Thomas Esmode, Sir Frederick Dixon-Hartland, Sir Joseph Leese, Colonel Long, Mr. Mildmay, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. James Stuart, Mr. David Alfred Thomas, and Mr. Eugene Wason were accordingly nominated Members of the Select Committee.

—(Mr. Ellis.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions were read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Judicial Statistics, Part I., relating to Criminal Proceedings, (England and Wales).

Copy of Tables of Comparison between the Children Bill and existing enactments.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Edmund Robertson presented, pursuant to Order, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Discipline) of Rules and Regulations, dated 18th January 1908, amending Regulations for Naval Prisons, made by the Admiralty under section 81 of the Navy Discipline Act, 1907; together with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runceiman presented,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated the 7th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Scotland No. 41. Service.

Mr. Runceiman also presented, pursuant to the Land Registry Act, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—(New Shilling) Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Land Registry (New Buildings) Act, 1907, and of the expenditure; the money expended and borrowed and the securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts showing the money issued under the provisions of the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Act, 1896, Session 2; the Public Offices (Westminster) Site Act, 1896; the Public Offices (Whitehall) Site Act, 1897; the Public Buildings Expenses Act, 1898; and the...
Public Buildings Expenses Act, 1903: the moneys issued out of the Consolidated Fund, the moneys borrowed and the securities created in respect thereof, the disposal of moneys issued to the National Debt Commissioners for temporary investment, and the expenditure under the provisions of the Acts to the 31st March 1907: together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 6th February 1908, granting a retired allowance to Mr. George MacEwen, Civil Assistant, Ordnance Survey, Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relating to Scottish Mail Service, and the Papers relative to the Land Registry (New Buildings) Act, 1900, and the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Act, 1895, &c., be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3956 to 3957.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Augmentation of Benefices.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of the House, was printed upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Return of Proceedings under the Augmentation of Benefices Act, 1863, up to and inclusive of the 7th February 1906.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will graciously please to give directions that there be laid upon the Table a Return showing, in respect of each of the Licences for which compensation was awarded at the supplemental meetings of the Quarter Sessions for the County of London, held on the 27th and 28th days of January 1908, the total amount awarded, and the share thereof assigned to the licence-holder, and the values at which the licensed premises were in 1897 assessed for Schedule A of the Income Tax and for local rates. — (Sir Thomas Whittaker.)

New Members sworn.

Samuel Thomas Ecouna, Esquire, e&c, His Majesty's Solicitor General, Member for the County of Glamorgan (Mid Division), was sworn.

Edward Alfred Goulding, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Worcester, was sworn.

Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

Mr. Golland, supported by Sir John Tuke, Mr. Cleland, Mr. McCellan, Mr. Findlay, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Barnes, Mr. McCrae, Mr. Younger, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Wilkie, and Mr. Escolmeant, presented a Bill to regulate Dairies, and ensure the purity of milk supplies in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill.

Mr. Morton, supported by Mr. Weir, Mr. Smeaton, Mr. Lamont, Mr. Cathcart Wilson, Mr. John Hope, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, and Mr. Sutherland, presented a Bill to provide for the suppression of illegal Fishing by trawling vessels: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Railway Tickets Bill.

Mr. Morton, supported by Mr. Rowlands, Mr. Ernest Lamb, Mr. Weir, Mr. John Hope, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, and Sir Howard Vincent, presented a Bill to prevent a time limit being set upon the use of passenger Tickets: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Acland Allen, supported by Mr. Gwinnutt, polling presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the arrangement of Polling Districts for the Election of County Councillors: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Bottomley presented a Bill to enable the Divorce Law Wives of persons sentenced to long terms of imprisonment, or of persons certified to be incurably insane, to annul their Marriages: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Hyde, supported by Major Dunne, Mr. Worsena Cecil Harmsworth, Dr. Hazel, Mr. Harold Compensation Pearson, Mr. Thomas Frederick Richards, and Mr. Stewart-Smith, presented a Bill to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sir John Brunner, supported by Sir Robert Committees Bill, Hobart, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Lyndalph Stanley, Bills. Mr. Boden, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. Maclean, presented a Bill to prohibit the sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sundays: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Perks, supported by Sir George White, Mr. Fawcett, Mr. John Wilson, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Nicholas, and Mr. Maclean, presented a Bill to prohibit the sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sundays: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lloyd Morgan, supported by Mr. Abi Payment of Thomas, Mr. Hay Morgan, Mr. Mackarness, Mr. Bertram, Mr. Herbert, and Mr. Portington, presented a Bill to provide for the payment of the expenses of Jurors attending assizes and quarter sessions: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of March next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Children. Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons, reformatory and industrial schools, and juvenile offenders, and otherwise to amend the Law with respect to Children and Young Persons: And that Mr. Herbert Samuel and Mr. Secretary Gladstone do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Herbert Samuel accordingly presented a Children Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons, reformatory and industrial schools, and juvenile offenders, and otherwise to amend the Law with respect to Children and Young Persons: And the same was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army (Supplementary) Estimate, 1907-8.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge...
which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for additional expenditure in respect of the following Army Services, viz.:

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2. £190,000 (supplementary sum), the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including certain Grants in Aid.

3. £20 (supplementary sum), the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

| Class III. |

4. £1,870, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.

5. £327, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for making good the net loss on transactions connected with the raising of money for the various Treasury Chests Abroad in the year 1908-7.

Resolve to be reported.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions. Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday Water Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finchley Urban District Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dundalk Urban District Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blackburn Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Holderness Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greystones Gas Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liverpool Corporation Bill (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
The Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Manchester Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Margate Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Stockport Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 30th day of January last, for a Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors, &c.) (United Kingdom) No. 44.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the receipts and disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended on the 31st day of March 1908; also a separate Account of the capital of the said Duchy to the same date.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Further Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of March 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks).

Further Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (Administrative County of Devon).

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the names of all Aliens to whom Certificates of Naturalisation have been issued, and whose Oaths of Allegiance have, between the 1st day of January 1907 and the 31st day of December 1907, been registered at the Home Office, giving the country and place of residence of the person naturalised, and including information as to any Aliens who have, during the same period, obtained Acts of Naturalisation from the Legislature (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 75 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Mr. Thorne, supported by Mr. Steadman, Mr. Hourse of Parker, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Tyron Wilson, Mr. labour Bill. Glover, Mr. Gift, Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Walsh, and Mr. Corran, presented a Bill to restrict the Hours of Labour in all trades and industries to Eight per day; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself supply. into the Committee of Supply.

(Civil Services and Revenue Departments)

(In the Committee.)

Army (Supplementary) Estimate, 1907-8.

Class III.

Motion made, and Question put, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £2,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,]

Yes, [Mr. Joseph Pease : ]

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Tellers for the [Mr. Patrick O'Brien,]

Noes, [Captain Donelan : ]

Resolution to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £5,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Charles Craig),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Whiteley reported from the Committee supply [10th of Supply several Resolutions; which were read February] as follow:

Army (Supplementary) Estimate, 1907-8.

1. That a supplementary sum not exceeding Army (Supple-

100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray supply)

the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of

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Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary) Estimates, 1907-8.

Class II.

2. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £100,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including certain Grants in Aid.

3. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £20,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

Class III.

4. That a sum not exceeding £1,870 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.

Class V.

5. That a sum not exceeding £337 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.

Treasury Chests Abroad.

6. That a sum not exceeding £20 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.

Railways (Nationalisation.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in view of the widespread complaints on the part of traders, agriculturists, and the general public with regard to railway charges and facilities, and particularly with regard to preferential treatment of foreign goods, the time has come to consider how far these evils could be remedied by State purchase of the Railways, as foreshadowed by the Railway Regulation Act of 1844.—(Mr. George Hardy)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5, by leaving out from the word “by” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “may change in the existing relations between the Railways and the State” —(Mr. Lloyd-George).—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the conditions of labour in trades in which Home Work is prevalent, and the proposals, including those for the establishment of wages boards and the licensing of work-places, which have been made for the removal of existing abuses.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twenty-one Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Arkwright, Mr. Bridge man, Sir William Bull, Mr. Boland, Mr. Brunner, Mr. Chiozza Money, Mr. Devlin, Mr. Arthur Denz, Mr. Fall, Mr. Gooch, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Ernest Lamb, Mr. Hugh Love, Mr. Masse, Mr. Master man, Mr. Parker, Mr. Richdson, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Stuart Samuel, Mr. Trevelyan, and Sir Thomas Whitaker.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That seven be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The postponement proceeding on the Question, that this House do agree with the Committee in the First Resolution, that a supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for additional expenditure in respect of the following Army Services, viz.:

- E (a). Grants for the extinction of Debts 350,000
- E (b). Expenses of County Associations 8,000
- Less Surpluses on other Votes 357,900

was resumed.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the Debate.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Second and subsequent Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 11.]

Wednesday, 12th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S .

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Order 63.

Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, with Standing Order 63 has been complied with, viz.:

Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Madras Railway Company (Purchase) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Manchester Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant February.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Margate Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions, Vide First Report.

Secretory Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty between (No. 4, 1908.) the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Norway, and Russia respecting the Independence and Territorial Integrity of Norway. Signed at Christiania, 2nd November 1907. Ratifications deposited at Christiania, 6th February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant Penal Servitude Act a Copy of Licence granted to Daniel Condron, to which are annexed conditions other than those which are contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1884.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, that they are of opinion that the Post Office Site (Glasgow) Order ought to be introduced in Parliament as a Public Bill, and that the Leith Burgh Order, the Motherwell Burgh
Order, That leave be given to bring in a Irish Peerage Bill to amend the Law concerning the Peerage of Ireland: And that Mr. Swift MacNeill, Sir Charles Dilke, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. Beaumont, Mr. Atherley-Jones, Mr. Sweaton, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, and Mr. William Redmond do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Swift MacNeill accordingly presented a Irish Peerage Bill to amend the Law concerning the Peerage of Ireland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Small holders (Scotland) Bill and the Land Values (Scotland) Bill the Committee on the Financial Resolution (if any) relating to the Bill shall be deemed to have been set up, as required by the Standing Orders of the House, and the Second Reading of the Bill (including the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto), and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with in the following manner:—

(a) The Committee stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating to the Bill and the Second Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the first allotted day; and the Bill shall, when it has been read a second time, stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without Question put;

(b) The Report stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) and the Committee stage of the Bill, and, if the Bill is not amended in Committee, the Report of the Bill to the House, and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the second allotted day, and on the conclusion of the consideration of the Bill in Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put;

(c) If the Bill is amended in Committee the Report stage and the Third Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on a third allotted day:

After this Order comes into operation any day (other than Friday) shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto is put down as first Order of the day, followed by the Bill:

On any allotted day on which Proceedings on any Business allotted to that day are to be brought to a conclusion the Speaker or Chairman shall, at 10.30 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has precedence after 8.15 p.m., and at 7.45 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has not precedence after 8.15 p.m. (if those Proceedings have not already been brought to a conclusion), put:

The Question on any Amendments moved by the Government, and after this put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Question on Amendments moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall put only the Question that
the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause:

Procedings to which this Order relates shall not, on any day on which any Proceedings or Business are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

In the case of an allotted day being a day on which Government Business has not proceeded after 8.15 p.m. the time at which the Proceedings or Business to be brought to a conclusion are so brought to a conclusion shall, if that time is later than a quarter past Eight, be substituted, for the purposes of Standing Orders relating to the precedence of Business at different Sittings and to the time for taking Private Business, for 8.15 p.m.:

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone any Clause shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate a day being allotted to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be concluded on the allotted day has been disposed of

—(Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman);

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman acquainted the House that he had received His Majesty's Recommendation of the payment of any salaries, compensation, and other expenses that may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to encourage the formation of small Agricultural Holdings in Scotland, and of the payment of an annual Grant for the purposes of such Act)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Forster):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the complexity and limitations of the Laws regulating the Registration of Voters deprive large numbers of persons otherwise qualified to vote of such right, and therefore it is urgently necessary that immediate steps be taken for the amendment of these Laws—(Mr. Rowlands):

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "but such amendment ought to be accompanied by arrangements for the better representation of all voters by a redistribution of seats."—(Sir Henry Kimber.)

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And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Henry Kimber, Yeas, Mr. Thomas Corbett]

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes, Mr. Joseph Pease]

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the complexity and limitations of the Laws regulating the Registration of Voters deprive large numbers of persons otherwise qualified to vote of such right, and therefore it is urgently necessary that immediate steps be taken for the amendment of these Laws.

The Order of the day being read, for the Daylight Second Reading of the Daylight Saving Bill;—Saving Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Elections and the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Registration upon the 7th day of this instant February, was

Proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs' Protection Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply [10th February] Report, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed bluff upon the 11th day of this instant February, that this House doth agree with the Committee in the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply [10th February] Report into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [11th the Report from the Committee of Supply of February 1897] the 11th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

No. 12.

Thursday, 13th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 82 has been complied with, viz.:

Macclesfield and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Margate Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty’s Command, — Estimates of the sum required for the year ending 31st March 1909 for the Effective and Non-effective Services of the Army:

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order made by the Town Council of the Borough of Tainston under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That after conferring with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Bills under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, should be first considered, they had determined that the following Bills should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

Leith Burgh.

North British and Mercantile Insurance Company (Ocean Marine Insurance Transfer, &c.).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Claude Hay, supported by Sir Arthur Bignold, presented a Bill to regulate the qualifications and registration of trained Nurses; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Hills, supported by Mr. Beale, Mr. Buckmaster, Mr. Case, and Mr. Mckieham, presented a Bill to amend the Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 1881; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Hills, supported by Mr. Beale, Mr. Buckmaster, and Mr. Mckieham, presented a Bill to amend the Settled Land Acts, 1882 to 1890; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sir Walter Foster, supported by Sir Alfred Haldane, presented a Bill to provide Pensions (Old Age) Acts, for poor persons over the age of sixty-five years: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sir Walter Foster, supported by Sir Francis Channing, Mr. Stanes, Mr. Hart-Davies, and Mr. Nicholls, presented a Bill to amend the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, and to be printed.

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Mr. Clynes, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Leif Jones, Mr. Scott, Mr. Hodge, Mr. Summerbell, Sir John Rod
do, and Sir Gilbert Parker, presented a Bill to provide for the ad
dmission of representatives of the Press to the meetings of certain Local Authorities; and the
same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of March next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Motion for the allocation of time with respect to the Small
Landholders (Scotland) Bill and the Land Values (Scotland) Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply. — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed
upon the 12th day of this instant February, That in the case of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill and the Land Values (Scotland) Bill, the Second Reading of the Bill (including the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto), and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with in the following manner:

(a) The Committee stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating to the Bill and the Second Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the first allotted day; and the Bill shall, when it has been read a second time, stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without Question put;

(b) The Report stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) and the Committee stage of the Bill, and, if the Bill is not amended in Committee, the Report of the Bill to the House, and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the second allotted day, and on the conclusion of the consideration of the Bill in Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put;

(c) If the Bill is amended in Committee the Report stage and the Third Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on a third allotted day:

After this Order comes into operation any day (other than Friday) shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto is put down as first Order of the day, followed by the Bill:

On any allotted day on which Proceedings on any Business allotted to that day are to be brought to a conclusion the Speaker or Chairman shall, at 10.30 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has precedence after 8.15 p.m., and at 7.45 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has not precedence after 8.15 p.m. (if those Proceedings have not arrived at a stage to be brought to a conclusion), put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause:

Proceedings to which this Order relates shall not, on any day on which any Proceedings or Business are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

In the case of an allotted day being a day on which Government Business has not precedence after 8.15 p.m. the time at which the Proceedings or Business to be brought to a conclusion are so brought to a conclusion shall, if that time is later than a quarter past Eight, be substituted, for the purposes of Standing Orders relating to the precedence of Business at different Sittings and to the time for taking Private Business, for 8.15 p.m.:

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate a day being allotted to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be concluded on the allotted day has been disposed of.

—(Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman); and

The Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. l, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House declines further to curtail its liberty of discussion until the Government have laid upon the Table of the House their general scheme for dealing with Bills involving matters of controversy".—(Mr. Henry Forster),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "in the case of" stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas. ]

Mr. Joseph Pease;

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes. ]

Mr. Henry Forster; 332.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being again proposed:

—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined the leave to put that Question:

—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 7, by leaving out the second word "the" to the end of l. 22, and inserting the words "a manner prescribed by a Select Committee"—(Lord Robert Cecil)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

—Then the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yea, Mr. Joseph Pease : ] 332.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:

—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put:

—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yea, Mr. Joseph Pease : ] 331.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Nee, Mr. Henry Forster : ] 84.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That in the case of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill and the Land Values (Scotland) Bill the Committee on the Financial Resolution (if any) relating to the Bill shall be deemed to have been set up, as required by the Standing Orders of the House, and the Second Reading, Committee stage, and Report stage of the Bill (including the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto), and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with in the following manner:

(a) The Committee stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating to the Bill and the Second Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the first allotted day; and the Bill shall, when it has been read a second time, stand committed to a Committee of the whole House without Question put;

(b) The Report stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) and the Committee stage of the Bill, and, if the Bill is not amended in Committee, the Report of the Bill to the House, and the Third Reading of the Bill, shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on the second allotted day, and, on the conclusion of the consideration of the Bill in Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put;

(c) If the Bill is amended in Committee the Report stage and the Third Reading of the Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion on a third allotted day.

After this Order comes into operation any day (other than Friday) shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution (if any) relating thereto is put down as first Order of the day, followed by the Bill.

On any allotted day on which Proceedings on any Business allotted to that day are to be brought to a conclusion the Speaker or Chairman shall, at 10.30 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has precedence after 8.15 p.m., and at 7.45 p.m. if the day is one on which Government Business has not precedence after 8.15 p.m. (if those Proceedings have not already been brought to a conclusion), put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause.

Proceedings to which this Order relates shall not, on any day on which any Proceedings or Business are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

In the case of an allotted day being a day on which Government Business has not precedence after 8.15 p.m., the time at which the Proceedings or Business are to be brought to a conclusion are so brought to a conclusion shall, if that time is later than a quarter past Eight, be substituted, for the purposes of Standing Orders relating to the precedence of Business at different Sittings and to the time for taking Private Business, for 8.15 p.m.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate a day being allotted to such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, after the Business that has been concluded on the allotted day has been disposed of.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Five of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
R. Dunstan, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S., Director of the Imperial Institute).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 26th December 1907, in pursuance of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as amended by the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907, revoking a previous Order and granting a special exception, authorising the occupiers of certain classes of Factories and Workshops to substitute some other day for Saturday as the weekly short day.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Stafford, for an alteration of the Lichfield Parliamentary Division and constituting a new Polling District, to be called the Chase Terrace Polling District of the Lichfield Parliamentary Division.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table;

Mr. Burne presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Pauperism (England and Wales) (Monthly Statements).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "no Bill will provide an effective remedy for Ecclesiastical Disorders in the Church of England which does not make provision for the separation of the Church from the State, and confer upon the Church, thus liberated from State control, the power to regulate its own affairs" — (Mr. Masterman), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—Then the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

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Mr. M‘Arthur rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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Mr. Austin Taylor rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Engines and Boilers (Persons in Charge) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question was adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the daylight Saving Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then four minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 63 has been complied with, viz.:—

Southwell District Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the South West Suburban Water Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of March next.

The Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Belfast Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finchley Urban District Council Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum being offered to be presented,—(Mr. Trelawny);

Mr. Secretary Heldman, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the British Museum consist of thirty thousand pounds Two and one-half per Cent. Consolidated Annuities, the annual dividends whereof amount to about the sum of two hundred and fifty-nine pounds; of a bequest of the late Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to about three hundred and fifty-nine pounds; of a bequest of the late Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to about seventy-two pounds; of a fund bequeathed by the late Mr. Vincent Stuckey Lean, consisting at the present time of fifty-four thousand nine hundred and three pounds nineteen shillings and five pence Stock in Local Loans; and also of a fund bequeathed by the late Mr. Charles Druery Fortnum, invested in Metropolitan Consolidated Three and a half per Cent. Consols; the annual proceeds of which amount to about seventy thousand eight hundred and twenty-four pounds eight shillings and seven pence Stock; that the establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the trust cannot with benefit to the public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support as to enable them to carry on the execution of the trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Lighthouse Administration. Vol. II. Minutes of Evidence, with Appendices and Index.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Order made by the Town Council of the Borough of Dartmouth under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the borough.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 26th December, 1907, in pursuance of section 36 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, amending the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, granting to certain Factories and Workshops a special exception as to the period of employment for women and young persons, and revoking the Order of 24th July, 1906.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 26th December, 1907, in pursuance of section 151 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, allowing, as regards Laundries, that separate departments of work may be treated as separate Factories or Workshops.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and (Annual) Consular Report, Annual Series, No. 3958.

Copy of Accession of Colombia to the Convention, signed at Geneva, 6th July 1906, for (No. 5, 1908.)

Copy of the amelioration of the condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field, 26th October 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 12th February, 1908, declaring that Henry Judd, Artificer, Royal
Small Arms Factory, Enfield Lock, War Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certifi-
cate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues be printed.

University of Edinburgh, No. 60.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on the state of the Finances of the University of Edinburgh, made by the University Court of the said University to the Secretary for Scotland in terms of the 30th section of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, for the year ending 31st August 1907.

University of Edinburgh, No. 61.

Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of Edinburgh to the Secretary for Scotland under section 30 of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, from 1st October 1906 to 30th September 1907.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Shop Hours Act, 1904.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Urban District Council of Bray under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Lords Justices General and General Governors of Ireland, providing for the early closing of certain Shops within the urban district.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 25th day of this instant February.

Representation of the People Bill.

Six Henry Kimber, supported by Sir John Bethell, Mr. Simon, Earl of Ronaldshay, Mr. David Thomas, and Mr. Nield, presented a Bill to provide for the better representation of the people in Parliament: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill.

Mr. Watt, supported by Mr. Galland, Sir Andrew Torrance, Mr. McKillop, and Mr. Rose, presented a Bill to render compulsory the carrying of Lights by Vehicles at night: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Home Work Regulation Bill.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, supported by Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Edmond Lamb, Sir Gilbert Backwood, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Pirie, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, and Mr. Fenwick, presented a Bill to provide for the better regulation of Home Industries: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to amend the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1878 and 1884: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Hudson, supported by Mr. Wardle, Mr. J. W. Taylor, Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Joyce, Mr. Nunnetti, Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Currin, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Chiazzia Money, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a working day of Eight Hours for certain grades employed in the manipulation of traffic: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of March next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question was Anglo-Russian proposed, That this House, while welcoming the principle of an agreement with Russia in regard to Persia, Afghanistan, and Thibet, is of opinion that the terms of the Convention, while involving at several points a material sacrifice of British interests, still leave room for international misunderstandings of a kind which both the contracting Powers desire to avoid—(Earl Percy):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[No. 15.]

Tuesday, 18th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Macclesfield and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Holderness Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Blackburn Second Reading of the Blackburn Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Dohily and Power Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Greystones Gas Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Liverpool Second Reading of the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Widnes Second Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Wolverhampton Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Attorney General, Sir Edward Carson, Mr. Case, Sir David Brynmor Jones, Sir John Keppie, Mr. Secretary of State for the Home Department, and Mr. Solicitor General were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by R. W. Branthwaite, Esquire, M.D., D.P.H., His Majesty's Inspector under the Inebriates Acts, concerning an outbreak of Enteric Fever at Brenchley Certified Inebriate Reformatory.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account prepared by the Admiralty under the provisions of the Naval Works Acts, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1899, 1901, 1903, and 1905, showing the amount of money issued out of the Consolidated Fund; the mode in which it was provided; the amount and nature of the securities created in respect thereof; the amount of the surplus of income above expenditure, for the financial year ended 31st March 1896, set apart in the Exchequer Account in accordance with section 4 of the Naval Works Act, 1896; and the application thereof; the amount of money expended in pursuance of the Acts, and the purposes on which that money was expended, distinguishing the expenditure under each of the heads in the Schedule of the Acts, during the year ended 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving the quantities of Coal exported from each of the ports of the United Kingdom, by quarterly periods, in 1907, at prices not exceeding 5s., above 5s., but not exceeding 6s., above 6s., but not exceeding 7s., and so on (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 90 of Session 1907).—(Mr. David Alfred Thomas.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving, for the year 1907, the export of Coal from each port in the United Kingdom to each country abroad, together with summary Statements showing the export of Coal in every period of three months from the principal districts of the United Kingdom to the principal groups of foreign countries; and also showing the quantity shipped at each port in the United Kingdom for ship use on foreign voyages during the like period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 94 of Session 1906).—(Mr. Trevelyan.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Carmarthen (Western Division), in the room of John Lloyd Morgan, Esquire, K.C., who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Recorder of the Borough of Swansea.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

William Middlebrook, Esquire, Member for New Member the Borough of Leeds (South Division), was sworn.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee standing on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which Orders were read, as follow:—

1. That in the case of the Camborne Water, Camborne Petition for leave to deposit Petition for Bill, Water, Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill on; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. That in the case of the Dover Graving Docks, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

4. That in the case of the Margate Corporation, Margate Bill, Petition for additional provision, the Corporation Bill.
Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the promoters have leave to insert the additional provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

5. That in the case of the Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of Grimsby Rural District Council against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill.

Mr. Attorney General, Sir Henry Aubrey-Fletcher, Mr. Balfour, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Swift MacNeill, and Mr. John Wilson (Durham) were nominated Members of the Committee of Privileges.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Small Landholders (Scotland) [Salaries, &c.].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for carrying out the provisions of any Act of the present Session to encourage the formation of small Agricultural Holdings in Scotland, it is expedient to authorities—

(i.) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the salaries of the Chairman and of each of the other members of the Land Court;

(ii.) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(a) the salaries and remuneration of the Agricultural Commissioners and other persons appointed or employed by them and by the Land Court, and the expenses incurred by the Land Court and the Agricultural Commissioners in the execution of their duties;

(b) an annual sum not exceeding eighty-five thousand pounds for the use of the Agricultural Commissioners;

(c) compensation in certain cases to members and officers of the Crofters Commission.

—(Mr. Sinclair.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while desirous of increasing the number of small owners and occupiers in Scotland wherever they are likely to prosper, declines to proceed with a Bill which establishes in the Lowlands a system of land tenure alien to the traditions of the people and utterly inconsistent with the principles of agriculture"—(Mr. Lamont), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being a quarter of an hour before Mr. Speaker rose of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to put the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day under the Order of the House of the 13th February.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Whiteley, [Mr. Joseph Pease] 355.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Whiteley, [Mr. Joseph Pease] 347.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:

The Bill was accordingly read a second time:—The Business to be concluded this day under the Order of the House of the 13th February.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Values Second Reading of the Land Values (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill.

Second Reading of the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply [10th February] the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, that this House doth agree with the Committee...
in the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply; 

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply; 

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; 

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Joseph Pease and Viscount Valentia, the Tellers in the Aye Division Lobby, in the Division this day on the Question, That the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time, came to the Table and stated that they had erroneously reported the number of the Ayes as 247 instead of 347, which was the proper number: 

Whereupon Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to correct the number in the Journal of the House accordingly, Ayes 347, Noes 103.

The Dundalk Urban District Council Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the present system of Local Taxation and the relations between Local and Imperial burdens demand the immediate attention of His Majesty's Government, with a view to a more equitable adjustment as between Local and Imperial obligations.—(Mr. Hedges.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Scotland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill; 

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Peerage Second Reading of the Irish Peerage Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs' Protection Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant February.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation of the People Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Polling Arrangements (Parliamentary Boroughs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill be now read a second time; 

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
Workmen's Insurance (Germany.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, showing, in terms of English money, the amount of expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session to provide for the draining of the undertaking of the Madras Railway Company in the Secretary of State in Council of India, and of any costs, charges, and expenses incurred under such Act—(Mr. Sydney Buxton);

Mr. Sydney Buxton, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty to beg that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Deaths from Starvation, or Death accelerated by Privation; together with any observations furnished to the Local Government Board by boards of guardians with reference to cases included in the Return (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 313 of Session 1907).

—(Mr. Talbot.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence Home Work, taken before the Select Committee on Home Work in the last Session of Parliament be referred to the Select Committee on Home Work. —(Sir Thomas Whitaker.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Transfer of Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Training Clyde Navigation; to which the Lords desire the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the transfer of Training Colleges in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Transfer of Training Colleges (Scotland) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was ordered to be printed (under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Clyde Navigation (Superannuation) Clyde Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was ordered to be printed (under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Sir John Tuke, supported by Sir Philip Prohibition of Magnus, Mr. Charles Fries, Mr. Gulland, and Sir William Collins, presented a Bill to prohibit Joint Stock Companies from acting as physicians, Surgeons, or medical practitioners; and the Bill 94, was same as ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Leif Jones, supported by Mr. Bruce, Public Health Mr. Helme, Viscount Helmsley, Mr. M'Craes, Act (1870) Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Charles Roberts, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Scates, and Mr. Luke White, presented a Bill to empower Local Authorities to acquire Water Rights otherwise than by agreement; and the Bill was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of March next; and to be printed.
Mr. Munro Ferguson, supported by Mr. Lamont, presented a Bill to deal with Building and other Lands in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Munro Ferguson, supported by Sir Thomas Glen-Coats, presented a Bill to amend the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, with regard to Rights of Way: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Munro Ferguson, supported by Sir John Dickson-Pound, Sir John Kennaway, Sir George Robertson, Mr. Rose, Mr. Rainy, Mr. Fell, Mr. Crooks, Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Jaocet, and Mr. McKillop, presented a Bill to regulate the qualifications of trained Nurses, and to provide for their registration: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Jesse Collings, supported by Sir John Kennaway, Mr. Rothschild, Sir Francis Lowe, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Arkwright, Mr. Cartile, and Mr. Butcher, presented a Bill to promote Agricultural Education and Nature Study in Public Elementary Schools: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Small Holdings Act, 1892—

Mr. Jesse Collings accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Small Holdings Act, 1892: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Scotland) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And an Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. Harold Cox.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being a quarter of an hour before Eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to put the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day under the Order of the House of the 13th February.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas were:

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Joseph Pease:]

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th February, to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill:—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill; Second Reading of the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply (Scotland) Bill;—

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolution which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply (Scotland) Bill, subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of February 10th Report.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolution which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Political Funds.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets the secrecy under which Political Funds are accumulated and administered, and regards such secrecy as a peril to its privileges and character—(Mr. Belloc);  
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "administered," the words "especially the way in which large sums, derived from the secret funds of the Tariff Reform League and other similar societies, are spent in electoral contests without being returned in the candidates' expenses."—(Mr. Buckmaster.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;  
Mr. Belloc rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.  
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "funds," the words "at the disposal of the Liberal Party or."—(Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the said proposed Amendment;  
The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  
Tellers for the [Captain Craig]:  
Yea, [Sir Patrick Banbury]:  
Noes, [Mr. Edmund Lamb]:  
So it passed in the Negative.  
And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;  
The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Buckmaster]:  
Yea, [Mr. Soares]:  
Noes, [Mr. Claude Hey]:  
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;  
And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business:
Whereupon Colonel Seely rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question, and the Debate stood adjourned.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Trusts Bill;  
Second Reading of the Trusts Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Daylight Saving Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Polling Districts (Counties Councils) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ecclesiastical the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Disorders Bill, upon the 14th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill be now read a second time:—Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Elections and the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Registration Bill, upon the 7th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time:—Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

- Private Bill
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Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- Alliance and other Assurance and Insurance Companies

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- North British and Mercantile Insurance Company

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- Leith Burgh

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Bill to incorporate the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Company; to authorise the improvement of the channel of the River Thames, and the construction of a dock, a railway, and other works in the Counties of Essex and Kent, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Madras Railway Company (Purchase) [Annuities].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the creation of Annuities, to be charged on and payable out of the Revenues of India, in lieu of the sum of money amounting to twelve million eight hundred and nineteen thousand five hundred and fifty-eight pounds six shillings and three pence, agreed upon for the purchase by the Secretary of State in Council of India of the undertaking of the Madras Railway Company, and the payment of any costs and expenses incurred by the said Secretary of State under any Act of the present Session for vesting the said undertaking in the said Secretary of State in Council of India, and also any costs, charges, and expenses of obtaining and passing the said Act not provided by the surplus profits arising from the said undertaking for the half-year ending the 31st day of December 1907.

(Sir Henry Fowler.)

And it being Three of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. M. Kevan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations and Conditions affecting the recognition by the Board of Education under section 48 of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, of Elementary Schools in England, excluding Wales and Monmouthshire (being neither Public Elementary Schools nor Schools applying for recognition under any other Act of Parliament), as Certified Efficient Schools.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3939 and 3960.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, to Merchandise Marks Bill was read Marks Bill, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant February.
The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Exportation of Old Horses Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant February.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had selected the following seven members to be the Panel to serve on Unopposed Bill Committees under Standing Order 109:—Sir David Brows, Mr. painton, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Cumber, Mr. Beale, Mr. Hills, and Mr. Mooney.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Williamson, supported by Mr. Murray, Mr. Cathcart Watson, and Sir Andrew Tarrance, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Fifty Bill, and to be printed.

Abstemious Voters Bill.

Bill 103.

Sale of Whisky Bill.

Bill 102.

Mr. Williamson, supported by Mr. McCrean, Sir Robert Roper, Major Amhurst-Grey, Mr. Havelock Wilson, Mr. Raing, Mr. Cumber, and Captain Warings, presented a Bill to facilitate the recording of Votes at Parliamentary Elections by fishermen, sailors, and other persons liable to habitual absence from their usual residence in pursuit of their calling: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Williamson, supported by Mr. McCrae, Sir Robert Roper, Major Amhurst-Grey, Mr. Havelock Wilson, Mr. Raing, Mr. Cumber, and Captain Warings, presented a Bill to facilitate the recording of Votes at Parliamentary Elections by fishermen, sailors, and other persons liable to habitual absence from their usual residence in pursuit of their calling: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, supported by Mr. Younger, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Lamont, and Mr. Raing, presented a Bill to amend the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1907; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Aged Pensioners Bill.

Bill 105.

Mr. Goulding, supported by Mr. Remnant, Mr. Hay, Mr. John Wilson, Mr. William Bull, Mr. Charles Craig, Sir John Randles, and Mr. Courthope, presented a Bill to provide Pensions for the aged deserving Poor: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. David Davies, supported by Sir Alfred Thomas, Mr. Herbert Roberts, Mr. Hay Morgan, Mr. William Jones, and Mr. Rees, presented a Bill to provide for the acquisition of sites for Places of Worship by compulsory powers: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. David Davies, supported by Sir Alfred Thomas, Mr. Herbert Roberts, Mr. Hay Morgan, and Mr. William Jones, presented a Bill to enfranchise Places of Worship: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Harcourt presented a Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for the extension of certain Public Offices in Westminster and of the Patent Office, and for other public purposes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Arnold Herbert, supported by Mr. Micklem, Mr. Stewart-Smith, Mr. Stanger, Mr. Napier, Sir Albert Spiers, Mr. Herbert Craig, Vol. 163.

Mr. Haworth, and Mr. Beaumont, presented a Bill to alter the Law relating to the descent of Land upon an intestacy: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone accordingly proposed a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Acts, 1887 to 1905, for the purpose of limiting hours of work below ground.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone).

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question (pursuant to the Standing Order No. 11), and the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Secretary Gladstone and Mr. Herbert Samuel do prepare and bring in the Bill.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to the Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary) Estimates, 1907-8.

Revenue Departments.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £260,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs:

Whereon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the sum not exceeding £260,000 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Watson Rutherford):—Debate arising.

Mr. Joseph Pease rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Mr. Whitby].

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Fell].

Question put, That the sum not exceeding £259,900 be granted for the said Service.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Watson Rutherford],
Yea, [Mr. Seddon], 11.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease],
Noe, [Mr. Whitely], 105.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

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2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £5,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £4,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Hayden.)

Question put.

Friday, 21st February 1908:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Donelan],
Yea, [Mr. Patrick O'Brien], 63.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease],
Noe, [Mr. Whitely], 142.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £6,000 (supplementary sum), the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, for the Expenses of the Board of Education, including a Grant in Aid of the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the First Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for additional expenditure in respect of the following Army Services, viz.:

5. Volunteer Corps: Pay, Allowances, &c.:
   £
   E (a). Grants for the extinction of Debts  350,000
   E (b). Expenses of County Associations  8,000

Less Surpluses on other Votes  328,000

£100

And the Question being again proposed:

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Joseph Pease) — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes before Two of the clock, adjourned till this day.

No. 18.

Friday, 21st February 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House, according to Order, resolved Madras Railway Company (Purchase) [Annuities].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the creation of Annuities, to be charged on and payable out of the Revenues of India, in lieu of the sum of money amounting to twelve million eight hundred and nineteen thousand five hundred and fifty-eight pounds six shillings and three pence, agreed upon for the purchase by the Secretary of State in Council of India of the undertaking of the Madras Railway Company, and the payment of any costs and expenses incurred by the said Secretary of State under any Act of the present Session for vesting the said undertaking in the said Secretary of State in Council of India, and also any costs, charges, and expenses of obtaining and passing the said Act not provided by the surplus profits arising from the said undertaking for the half-year ending the 31st day of December 1907.—(Sir Henry Fowler.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to transfer of Training Colleges (Scotland) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Clyde Navigation (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of further Corre- spondence respecting the Independent State of the Congo.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Holloway presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum of the Secretary of State relating to the Army Estimates of 1908-9.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Report as to Statistics of the University of Aberdeen, under the provisions of section 30 of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, from 1st October 1906 to 30th September 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Worcester (Western or Bewdley Division), in the room of Alfred Baldwin, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Henry Forster.)

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Scottish Land Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Select Committee on Home Work.—(Mr. Tool. man.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sweated Industries Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Sir John Dewar.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—

Tellers for the [Sir Edward Tennant, Yea,] 44.

Tellers for the [Mr. Herbert Lewis, No,] 184.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee.

The Police Superannuation Bill was, according Police Superannuation Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;—Conveyancing Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;—Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;—Larceny Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holdings Bill;—Small Holdings Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill;—Ferries Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;—Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dairies Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;—Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Values (Scotland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine the Publications printed by Order of this House, or presented to it through Public Departments, and to call attention to any case in which unnecessary expense has been incurred.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Bowmer, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Harold Cor, Mr. William Jones, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, Mr. Maddison, Mr. John Robertson, and Mr. Toulmin.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then ten minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, with.
Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:
Seaham Harbour Dock Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:
London United Tramways.
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Orders not complied with, viz.:
Croydon and Southern Districts Tramways.
West London, Barnes, and Richmond Tramways.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Orders not complied with, viz.:
Croydon and Southern Districts Tramways [Lords].
West London, Barnes, and Richmond Tramways [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Bromley and Crays Gas Bill was read a Bromley and second time, and committed.

The Draycott Gas Bill was read a second Draycott Gas time, and committed.

The Gosport Gas Bill was read a second time, Gosport Gas Bill.

The Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The North Eastern Railway Bill was read a second time, and committed.
Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Morley presented,—Return to East India an Address to His Majesty, dated the 26th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to East India (Bombay Political Department).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Bombay, Princely States,)—Copy of draft Rules proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the Prison Act, 1898, and the Criminal Appeal Act, 1907, for the treatment and custody of Appellants not admitted to bail.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ronciman presented, pursuant to the National Debt Acts, (England and Wales, Prisons and Banks and Friendly Societies,)—(1) An Account of the gross amount of all sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on the account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1907.—(2) An Account of the several transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1907 in the investment of all moneys which came into the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively on 20th November 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direc- tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Act, 1890, of the number of visits made, and the number of patients seen, by the several Commissioners in Lunacy, during the six months ending on the 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his War Hastings, Writ to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Hastings, in the room of Harvey Du Clos, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundred of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Harry Forster.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of National Schools in Ireland; the number of clerical and lay, of the various denominations; and the forms of agreement they have executed with their teachers.—(Mr. Hugh Barris.)
February Report.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Divorce Law Amendment Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, supported by Mr. Long, Mr. Joyce, Lord Arthur Hill, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Captain Craig, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Devlin, and Mr. Kennedy, presented a Bill to confer upon County Councils in Ireland the power to alter the Polling Districts and alter the method of compiling lists of Voters: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the conditions on which public money may be applied in aid of Elementary Education in England and Wales, and for other purposes incidental thereto: And that Mr. M'Kenna, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Lough do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply (Scotland) Bill, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the Small Landholders (Scotland) [Salaries, &c.]; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mr. M'Kenna accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the conditions on which public money may be applied in aid of Elementary Education in England and Wales, and for other purposes incidental thereto: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Divorce Law Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Distress Amendment Bill; Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 3rd day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Landholders (Scotland) [Salaries, &c.]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Polling Districts and Elections and Registration (London) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation Second Reading of the Law of Distress Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill; Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Nurse Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Daylight Saving Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Daylight Saving Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Distress Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Registration (London) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Elections and the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Registration (London) Bill, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Settled Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Larceny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 20.]

Tuesday, 25th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bils, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

—Cheshire Lines Committee Bill.
—Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 21st day of February, That in the case of the following Bill the Standing Orders Vol. 165.

which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz. —

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Derby Gas Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Dover Graving Docks Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Louth and East Coast Railway (Transfer) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Louth and East Coast Railway (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Finchley Urban District Council Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Finchley Urban District Council Bill be, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Mr. Shackleton be discharged from the Select Committee on Standing Orders; and that Mr. Jenkins be added to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time and passed.

The Transfer of Training Colleges (Scotland) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Bombay Political Department), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant February, be printed.

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Opium Question in China (with Map).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted under the Penal Servitude Acts to Mary Ann Guest, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the London Female Preventive and Reformatory Institution, 35, Eden Grove, Holloway.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Anglesey under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the Parish of Holyhead.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade upon all the Bills and Provisional Orders of Session 1908 relating to Railways, Canals, Tramways, Harbours, and Tidal Waters, and the supply of Electricity, Gas, and Water.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Public Offices Site (Dublin) Act, 1908, and of the expenditure; the money expended and borrowed and the securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Churchill, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report, No. 555 (Saint Vincent, Report for 1906-7).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum of the Board of Education on the Financial Proposals in connection with the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Charges of Ecclesiastical Establishments in India for the year 1906-7 on account of the Church of England, Church of Scotland, Church of Rome, and other Churches; and showing, as far as possible, in the several provinces of British India, what payments are made at stations (a) where there are European troops, and (b) where there are no European troops.—(Mr. Herbert Roberts.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to the assessment of Damages under the Fatal Accidents Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Luttrell, supported by Sir Walter Foster, Justice of the Peace Bill, supported by Mr. Francis Channing, Mr. Harley Stewart, and Mr. Ashton, presented a Bill to amend the Law with regard to the appointment of Justices of the Peace: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Luttrell, supported by Mr. George Spurgeon Greenwood and Mr. Carrie Grant, presented a Bill to suppress certain spurious Sports: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Luttrell, supported by Colonel Kenyon—Glees of the Slaney, Sir John Kenaway, and Mr. Francis Channing, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the appointment of Clerks of the Peace and County Councils: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Bowes-Lyon, supported by Mr. Alden, Mr. Housing of Bill, Sir John Belknap, Mr. Nannett, Mr. The Working Steadman, Mr. Thorpe, and Mr. Wiles, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Housing of the Working Classes, to amend the Law of Rating, and to establish Fair Rent Courts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Watt presented a Bill to ensure the Purity of Milk Supplies of the Rural and Urban Districts of Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Bottomley, supported by Mr. Walsh, Mr. Divorce Law Glover, Mr. Straus, Mr. Hugh Lea, Sir Henry Cotton, Mr. Dun, Mr. Thorpe, and Captain Kincaid-Smith, presented a Bill to enable married persons whose wives or husbands have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment, or are incurably insane, or who have been judicially separated for a period of five years and upwards, to obtain dissolution of their Marriages: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. William Edwin Harvey, supported by Sir Coal Mines John Barlow, Sir Joseph Compton Rickett, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Seddon, Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), Mr. Glover, Mr. Bill William Johnson, Mr. Albert Stanley, Mr. Hall, and Mr. James Haslam, presented a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Acts, 1887 to 1905, for the purpose of limiting the hours of work of Colliery Winding Engine men: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of March next; and to be printed.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being Monastic and put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to appoint Commissioners to inquire as to the need for the inspection of Monastic and Convivial Institutions.—(Mr. Thomas Corbet.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Corbett, Yeas, (Mr. Beaumont : 101.]

Tellers for the [Captain Donelan, Noes, (Mr. Patrick O'Brien : 151.

So it passed in the Negative.
Mr. Sinclair reported from the Committee on Small Landholders (Scotland) [Salaries, &c.] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for carrying out the provisions of any Act of the present Session to encourage the formation of small Agricultural Holdings in Scotland, it is expedient to authorise—

(i) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the salaries of the Chairman and of each of the other members of the Land Court;

(ii) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(a) the salaries and remuneration of the Agricultural Commissioners and other persons appointed or employed by them and by the Land Court, and the expenses incurred by the Land Court and the Agricultural Commissioners in the execution of their duties;

(b) an annual sum not exceeding eighty-five thousand pounds for the use of the Agricultural Commissioners;

(c) compensation in certain cases to members and officers of the Crofters Commission.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Small Landholders (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Crofters Acts throughout Scotland).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley: 350.]

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease: 95.]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood:]

Noes, [Viscount Valentia: 90.]

And it being after a quarter before Eight of the clock, the Chairman proceeded to put the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day under the Order of the House of the 13th February.

Question put, That Clauses No. 2 to No. 33, inclusive, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley: 352.]

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease: 95.]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood:]

Noes, [Viscount Valentia: 96.]

Schedule agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th February.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker proceeded to put the Question, That the Bill be now read the third time, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th February.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley: 347.]

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease:]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood:]

Noes, [Viscount Valentia: 90.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Sinclair, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion was made, and the Question was Macedonias proposed, That this House regrets the failure of the reforms which have been introduced for the amelioration of the condition of Macedonia, and urges the Government to press for the establishment of executive control by an authority responsible to the Powers—(Mr. George Hardy):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 21.]

Wednesday, 26th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Manchester Corporation Bill was, Manchester Corporation Bill and committed.

A Bill to extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Motherwell; to authorise the Provost, Burgh Magistrates, and Councillors of the said burgh to construct and maintain sewers and sewage purification works; to acquire lands for sewage purification, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers on the Wishaw Burgh Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the electricity undertaking; to authorise the laying of mains and pipes in connection with the supply of gas beyond the burgh; to make provision with respect to the width of streets, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 11th February last.
day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Aliens (Naturalisation).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Franco (No. 1, 1908.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report by the Honourable Reginald Lister, His Majesty’s Minister at Paris, upon the French Colonies.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 25th February 1908, providing for the distribution of the General Aid Grant.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Debt Annuities.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of the gross amount of all Bank Annuities and any Annuities for terms of years transferred, and of all sums of money paid, to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; and the gross amount of Annuities for lives and for terms of years which have been granted for the same, and contracts for payments on death which have been made under the provisions of the National Debt Act, 1829, the National Debt (Supplemental) Act, 1846, the Government Annuities Acts, 1864 and 1882, and the Savings Banks Act, 1887, within the year ended 5th January 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Irish Land Commission (Account.) No. 74.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Account of the Irish Land Commission for the year ended 31st March 1907, together with the Account for the above period, and that from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Drunkennes (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving the number of arrests for Drunkennes within the Metropolitan Police District of Dublin and the Cities of Belfast, Cork, Limerick, and Waterford, from the hour of 9 p.m. to 12 midnight on Saturdays, and from 12 midnight to 8 a.m. on Sundays, and from 8 a.m. on Sunday till 2 p.m., and from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight, from 12 midnight to 8 a.m. on Monday, between the 1st day of January and the 31st day of December, both days inclusive, for the years 1906 and 1907 respectively; and similar Returns for the rest of Ireland, from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, for the years 1906 and 1907 respectively; the arrests being given from 9 p.m. on Saturdays to 9 a.m. on Sundays, and from 9 a.m. on Sundays till 7 a.m. on Mondays. (Mr. Sloan.)

Mr. Runciman reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 30th and 31st days of January last, and the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st days of this instant February, and had directed him to make a Report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Pensions (Old Age) Bill was read Age) Bill, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of March next.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Housing of the Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of March next.

Mr. Cleland, supported by Mr. Arthur Allen, Municipal Bill.

Mr. McCrois, Mr. Barnes, Major Coates, Mr. Bill 120.

Younger, Mr. Money, Mr. Mitchell, Thomas, Mr. Adams, and Mr. McKinnon Wood, pro-

Mr. Seddon, supported by Mr. Frederick Bristow of Edwin Smith, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Price, Mr. Trades (Shop) Bill, 121.

Clement Edwards, and Mr. Arthur Henderson, presented a Bill to render null and void, under the provisions of Shop Assistants’ Agreements: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Tennant, supported by Sir Alfred Thomas, Public Mr. Isaac, Mr. Macharnie, Mr. Morrell, Mr. Libraries Bill, 122.

Clement Edwards, Mr. Middleton, Sir William Holland, Mr. Z. F. O’Connor, Sir Charles Sophia, Mr. Harmood-Banner, and Mr. Jocett, presented a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Public Libraries: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Dunsus White, supported by Mr. Crombie, Dogs (Injuries Mr. Shipman, Lord Robert Cecil, Sir John Dr. Shachleton, Mr. Mitchell, Sir William Holland, Mr. T. F. O’Connor, Sir Charles Sophia, Mr. Harmood-Banner, and Mr. Jocett, presented a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Public Libraries: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to injuries to persons by Dogs: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of Apri

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Leasesholds Bill to provide for the enfranchisement of (Enfranchise- Leasesholds: And that Mr. Maclean, Mr. Hay Morgan, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Ellis Griffith, Mr. Mr. Maclean accordingly presented a Bill to Leasesholds for the enfranchisement of Leasesholds: (Bills) Bill. And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert, presented a Bill to Leasesholds for the enfranchisement of Leasesholds: (Bills) Bill. And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself Land Values into a Committee on the Land Values (Scott- (Scotland) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (New entry in valuation roll).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the words “each county and burgh,” in order to insert the words “the County of Lanarkshire and Burgh of Glasgow.”—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

Question proposed, That the word “each” stand part of the Clause:

And it being a quarter of an hour before Eight of the clock, the Chairman proceeded to put the Questions necessary to dispose of the
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Business to be concluded this day under the Order of the House of the 13th February.

Question, That the word "each" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 4 agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th February.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded to put the Question, That the Bill be now read the third time, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th February.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,

Yea,  [ Mr. Joseph Peace :   ]  347.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant February; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Reolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.


The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant February, were reported from the Committee of Supply; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [11th the Report from the Committee of Supply of February; the 11th day of this instant February; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, receive itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) (Construction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House, being convinced that the present system of administration of the Congo is destructive of the personal liberty and economic rights of the native population, and of the freedom of commercial intercourse with the outer world, as guaranteed by the Anglo-Congolese Convention of 1884 and the Berlin Act of 1885, asks the Government to do all in its power to secure that a fundamental alteration of the system shall be effected by any transfer of control of the State from the present Sovereign to any other authority; and, falling such transfer within a reasonable time, assures the Government of its hearty support in the measures it may be necessary to take, either alone or in conjunction with the other signatories of the Berlin Act, in order to insure the effective carrying out of its provisions.—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs' Second Reading of the Dogs' Protection Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon ; Mr. Thomas O'Connell rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education ( Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trusts Bill Second Reading of the Trusts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Works of Worship (Sites) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen's Compensation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Worship (Sites) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Compulsory Elections) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smoke Control (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the past and present condition of the Hop Industry, and to report thereon.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Arber, Mr. Barker, Sir W. Collins, Mr. Courthope, Mr. Grettan, Mr. Mallet, Mr. Napier, Mr. Rowlands, Mr. E. Strauss, Mr. Verney, and Mr. P. White.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee. (Mr. Whiteley.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 22.]

Thursday, 27th February 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, viz.:

Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

North East London Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Camborne Water.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.
Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Sixteenth Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks, for the year ended 20th November 1907, with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he read to the House, as followeth:

Portuguese Legation,
Sir, February 26th, 1908.

I have the honour to inform you that I am directed by His Faithful Majesty's Government to convey to the Members of the House of Commons the sincere appreciation and thanks of my Government for the kind and sympathetic expressions of condolence passed by them on the lamentable occasion of the death of my august Sovereign, His late Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves, and His Royal Highness the late Crown Prince of Portugal, k.g. I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to bring these expressions of sincere appreciation of my Government before the House of Commons.

I have the honour to be, with the highest consideration,
Your most obedient Sir,

The Right Honourable and Member for the County of Carmarthen (Western Division), was sworn.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Madras Railway Company (Purchase) Bill; That, pursuant to the Instructions of the House of the 24th February last, the Committee had made provision in the Bill authorising the creation of such annuities, of State in Council of India, and also any costs, charges, and expenses of obtaining and passing the said Act not provided for by the surplus profits arising from the said undertaking for the half-year ending the 31st day of December 1907.

The Chairman of Ways and Means further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Provisions of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments therunto; and had also amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to provide for the creation and management of the Madras Railway Annuities, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brompton Gordon reported from the Standing Committee on the Select Committee A.; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the three Standing Committees for the consideration of all Public Bills, not relating exclusively to Scotland, which may be committed to a Standing Committee:—

Standing Committee A.;

Mr. Arthur Allen, Sir William Anson, Mr. Standing
Ashley, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Godfrey
Baring, Sir John Bethell, Mr. Boland, Mr.
Bowes-Lyon, Mr. Caine, Sir Frederick Clessey, Mr.
Evelyn Cecil, Mr. Clive, Mr. Cobbold, Sir William
Collins, Mr. Charles Corbett, Mr. Charles Craig, Mr.
David Davies, Mr. Ellis Davies, Mr. Timothy Davies, Mr. Devlin, Mr. Arthur Dewar,
Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Gillingham, Mr. Glyn
Gray, Mr. William Edwin Harvey, Mr.
Holt, Mr. William Hope, Mr. Hudson, Sir John
Jardine, Lord John Jelley-Cecil, Mr. William
Jones, Mr. Joyce, Mr. Lambton, Mr. Bonar
Las, Mr. Moelran, Mr. Mansfield, Mr. Lloyd
Morgan, Mr. McKillop, Mr. Morrell, Mr. Nussey,
Mr. O' Shnughnessy, Mr. Parke, Mr. William
Ponsonby, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Sir John Randall,
Mr. Walter Rea, Mr. Rendall, Mr. Thomas
Richards, Mr. Thomas Frederic Richards, Mr.
Riddalls, Mr. Charles Roberts, Earl of Ronalds-
sby, Mr. Roos, Mr. Rothschild, Mr. Herbert
Samuel, Mr. Sassoon, Colonel Stely, Mr.
Shipman, Mr. Swenton, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Waldron,
Mr. Wainord, Mr. John Ward, and Mr. Catho-
Wason.

Standing Committee B.;

Mr. Akers-Douglas, Mr. Beauchamp, Mr. Standing
Bennett, Mr. Black, Mr. Bridgeham, Mr. Bright
Burn, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Byles, Viscount
Catterlegh, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Castleton,
Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Cooper, Sir Edwin Cornwall,
Mr. Henry Cotton, Mr. Courthouse, Mr. Cowan,
Mr. Curran, Mr. Ferris, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Gill,
Mr. Haddock, Mr. Leverton Harris, Mr. George
Hardy, Mr. Harwood, Mr. James Haslam, Mr.
Lewis Haslam, Mr. Hazelton, Colonel Sir Ivo
Herbert, Mr. Higham, Mr. William Johnson,
Mr. William Jones, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Kettle, Sir Henry Kimber, Mr. Lane-Fox, Sir
Joseph Leese, Sir Maurice Levy, Sir Francis
Love, Dr. Macnamara, Mr. M'Airkirk, Mr.
Meekan, Mr. Mond, Mr. Moonie, Mr. Murray,
Mr. Nunnetti, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Snowdon, Mr.
Poulton, Sir Francis Sharp Powell, Mr. Charles
Prior, Mr. Railey, Mr. John Robertson, Mr.
Rogers, Mr. Staveley, Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Austin Taylor, Mr. Theodore Tayler, Mr.
David Alfred Thomas, Mr. Walah, Mr. Wallon,
Mr. Whitbread, Mr. Llewellyn Williams, Mr. Wiles,
and Mr. Wyndham.

Standing Committee C.;

Mr. William Addington, Mr. Ainsworth, Mr. Standing
Alden, Mr. Harron-Daner, Mr. Barron, Mr. Committee G.
Beckett, Mr. Bowles, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Bramson,
Mr. Branch, Mr. Carlile, Mr. Cane, Mr. Chet-
ham, Mr. Herbert Craig, Sir William Cremer,
Mr. Cullinan, Mr. Davies, Mr. Dickinson,
Sir Frederick Dixon-Hartland, Mr. Duckworth,
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Scottish Standing Committee.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee: That the following Members, representing Scottish Constituencies, are appointed to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland, and committed to a Standing Committee:—The Lord Advocate, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Robert Balfour, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Beale, Sir Arthur Bignold, Mr. Byles, Mr. Buchanian, Mr. Caldwell, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Channing, Sir Thomas Glen-Costa, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Sir Henry Craik, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Cross, Lord Dalmeny, Viscount Dalrymple, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Arthur Densar, Mr. John Densar, Mr. Robert Duncan, the Rt. Hon. Ede, Mr. Esmond, Mr. Esmont, Mr. Munro Ferguson, Mr. Findlay, Major Anstruther-Gray, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Secretary Haldane, Mr. Leconte, Mr. Horsmworth, Mr. John Henderson, Mr. John Deans Hope, Sir John Jardine, Mr. Laidlaw, Mr. Lamont, Mr. Murray Macdonald, Mr. McCollum, Mr. McCrae, Sir Lewis M'leer, Major M'Kicking, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Molteno, Mr. Secretary Morley, Mr. James Murray, Mr. Morton, Mr. Pirie, Mr. Charles Price, Mr. Robert Pullor, Mr. Rainy, Mr. Edmund Robertson, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Smeaton, Mr. Hailey Somerville, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tennant, Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, Sir Andrew Terrance, Sir John Betty Tuke, Captain Waring, Mr. Cathcart Watson, Mr. John Watson, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weir, Mr. Dundas White, Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Williamson, Mr. McKinnon Wood, and Mr. Younger.

Chairman's Panel.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee: That they had selected the following Eight Members to be the Chairman's Panel, and to serve as Chairman of the Four Standing Committees to be appointed under Standing Order No. 47:—Sir Francis Channing, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Mr. Lawrence Hardy, Sir William Holland, Sir David Brynmor Jones, Mr. John Stuart-Wortley, Mr. Eugene Watson, and Mr. John William Wilson.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday the 6th day of April next, the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill. (No. 2) Bill was read and discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Hypothec Abolition (Scotland) Bill. Bill 125.

Mr. Dundas White, supported by Mr. Crosthwaite, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Murray Macdonald, Mr. Findlay, Mr. Smeaton, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Watt, Mr. McCollum, and Mr. Charles Price, presented a Bill to abolish the landlords' right of Hypothec for rent in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Dundas White, supported by Mr. Crosthwaite, Factors Act (Scotland) Bill. Mr. Younger, Mr. Beale, Mr. McCollum, and (1898) Amendment Bill was moved to amend the Law by a Bill. Mr. Secretary Cooper, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the qualification and tenure of office of Medical Officers of Health, and for other purposes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

Col. Lockwood, supported by Sir John Isoue Bill. Kennaway, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Henry Wilson, Bill 127, Mr. Goddard Clarke, Mr. M'lean, Mr. John Wilson, and Mr. George Hardy, presented a Bill to provide for the punishment of Incest: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir Walter Foster, supported by Sir John Public Health Bill. Batty Take, Sir Francis Sharp Powell, and Mr. Officers Bill. Cooper, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the qualification and tenure of office of Medical Officers of Health, and for other purposes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Verner, supported by Sir Francis Churchill, Mr. White, Mr. Bennett, and Mr. Bill 129, Mr. Morrell, presented a Bill to provide for more effective public control in regard to Education in England and Wales: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Claude Hay, supported by Major Coates, Mr. Goulding, Mr. Remnant, and Sir Howard Marks (No. 2) Bill. Vincent, presented a Bill to amend section 16 of the Merchandise Marks Act, 1887: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Bell, supported by Mr. Thomas Frederick Character Richards, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Enoch Note Bill. Edwards, Mr. Raphael, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Wardle, presented a Bill to make it lawful for employers to supply a Reference Note to a person leaving their employment and desiring one: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

The Marquess of Hamilton, supported by Mr. Licensing Act (Scotland) Bill. Fetherstonhaugh, Mr. Barrett, and Mr. Moore, amendment presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Act, 1872, and the Habitual Drunkards Act, 1879: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Licence Business of the House of Supply,—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Licence Business of the House of Supply, if under discussion when the Business is postponed, be resumed and proceeded with, though opposed, after the interruption of Business.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. M'Crae, presented a Bill to provide for the punishment of Incest: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

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A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight o'clock, and there being Private Business, Proceedings were suspended for the Day.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Belfast Corporation Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. Devlin.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Tellers for the \[Mr. Wolff, Yeas, Mr. George Clark: \] 130.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Devlin, Noes, Mr. Scott: \] 176.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

The postponed proceeding on the Question, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, was resumed.

And the Question being again proposed;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 26th February 1908:

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906; And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Lloyd-George, Mr. M'Kenna, Mr. Solicitor-General, and Mr. Herbert Samuel do prepare and bring in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906; And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of March next; and to be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Larceny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

[No. 23.]

Friday, 28th February 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of March next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report of the Chief Inspector, Royal Irish Constabulary, Galway, East Riding, as to the state of the riding in October 1907.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Returns of the Official Assignees of the King's Bench Division in Bankruptcy in Ireland, and the Local Courts at Belfast and Cork, for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Annual Report and Accounts of the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty for the year ending 31st December 1907.

Mr. Runciman also presented, —Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to the National Gallery (Report).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Licensing Majesty's Command, —Copy of Statistics as to the operation and administration of the Laws relating to the sale of Intoxicating Liquors for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Diplomatic (Annual and Consular Report, Annual Series, No. 3961.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command, —Copy of Report of the Consultative Committee of the Board of Education upon the question of Devolution in county areas.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Women's Franchise and Enfranchisement Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." —(Mr. Cathcart Wason.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question: — And a Debate arising thereupon; —

Lord Robert Cecil rose in his place and claimed, but Mr. Speaker withdrew his assent, and declined then to put that Question: —Then the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. Stanger rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question: —Then the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. Stanger rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question put be now put: —It was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Acland: Mr. Guest:)

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Stanger, Mr. Smiles:)

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time: —The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.—(Mr. Stanger.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Enfranchisement Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." —(Mr. Cathcart Wason.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question: — And a Debate arising thereupon;

Lord Robert Cecil rose in his place and claimed, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question: —Then the House resumed the Debate.

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And the Question being put, That the Question put be now put: —It was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Acland: Mr. Guest:)

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Stanger, Mr. Smiles:)

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time: —The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.—(Mr. Stanger.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Old Horses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of March next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairmen’s Panel; that they had appointed Mr. Stuart-Wortley to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A; and Mr. Eugene Wason to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley further reported from the Chairman’s Panel; that they had agreed to the following Resolution: That any Member of the Chairman’s Panel be, and he is hereby, empowered to ask any other Member of the Chairman’s Panel to take his place in case of necessity.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then thirteen minutes after Five of the clock, till Mondaynext.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 24.]

Monday, 2nd March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has been compiled with, viz.:

- Dartford Gas Bill.
- Knott End Railway Bill.
- Blaydon and Ryton Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Cheshire Lines Committee Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c. Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Seaham Harbour Dock Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Wishaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of this instant March.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to be read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 49 (East Africa Protectorate, Annual Report of the Veterinary Department, 1906-7).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Holdens presented, pursuant Army to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Military Savings Banks.) Statement of the amount due by the public to depositors in Military Savings Banks on the
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1909; together with a Copy of the Memorandum by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury relating thereto.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Uganda Railway Acts, 1896 and 1902, and of the money expended and borrowed and securities created under the said Acts, to the 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Paper relative to Uganda Railway Acts, 1896 and 1902, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House of Commons:

Copy of Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir John Soane on the 5th January 1908.

Copy of Addition to the Rules for disposal of Documents under the Public Record Office Acts, 1887 and 1889.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Down (West Down), in the room of the Right Honourable Lord Arthur William Hill, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of H.M. Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Sir Alexander Acland-Hood.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Magistrates appointed in the different counties of Ireland, with their names, addresses, and occupations or descriptions, from the 26th day of April 1906 to the present time (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 136 of Session 1906).—(Mr. Deslin.)

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Leaseholds (Enfranchise-ment) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant March.

Mr. Sweaton, supported by Captain Pirie, Mr. Dundas White, and Mr. Morton, presented a Bill to regulate Ecclesiastical Assessments in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in view of the continued friendly relations with Foreign Powers announced in the gracious Speech from the Throne, this House trusts that further reductions may be made in expenditure on Armaments, and effect be given to the policy of retrenchment and reform to which the Government is pledged—(Mr. Murray Macdonald);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by leaving out all the words after the word "House," and adding the words "will support His Majesty's Ministers in such economies of naval and military expenditure as are consistent with the adequate defence of His Majesty's dominions."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Murray Macdonald] 75.
Tellers for the [Mr. Alexander Harvey] 70.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 320.

No. 80.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply [10th February] into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [11th February] the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [20th February] the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Incest Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Ecclesiastical Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixteenth Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with an Appendix.

Public Petitions.

Vide Second Report.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Army Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return giving the strength of each Infantry Battalion and each Battery of Artillery on the Home Establishment on 1st February 1908, showing the number of Men in each unit who have less than one year's service or are under twenty years of age; showing also the number of Recruits at the Depot.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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Mr. Secretary Morley presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 25th day of February last, for a Return relative to East India (Ecclesiastical Charges). Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of cases of Boycotting and of persons boycotted throughout Ireland on the 31st day of March 1902, the 31st day of July 1905, the 30th day of November 1905, the 31st day of January 1907, the 31st day of July 1907, and the 31st day of January 1908, in the following form:

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(Mr. Lonsdale.)

New Member sworn. Stanley Baldwin, Esquire, Member for the County of Worcester (Western or Bewdley Division), was sworn.

Standing Orders.

Lincoln Corporation Bill.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:
1. That in the case of the Lincoln Corporation Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of Kirby-in-Ashfield Urban District Council against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

2. That in the case of the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) (Lords.) Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on the condition that the powers to construct Tramways Nos. 3, 4, and 5 are struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

3. That in the case of the Thames River Steamboat Service Act, 1904 (Amendment) (Lords.), Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

4. That in the case of the Camborne Water, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Selection (Standing Committee B.)

Standing Committee A.

Sir William Brampton Gardon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had added the following Member to the Committee; Mr. Baldwin.

Standing Committee C.

Sir William Brampton Gardon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee A the following fifteen members:

- Mr. Horniman,
- Mr. Brodie,
- Mr. Bethell,
- Mr. Stopford Brooks,
- Mr. Samuel Roberts,
- Mr. Francis Lene,
- Mr. Gibbs,
- Mr. Stanley-Hill.

Sir William Brampton Gardon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B; Mr. Walsh.

Sir William Brampton Gardon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills the following fifteen Members (in respect of the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill):—Sir Frederick Banbury, Mr. Benar Law, Colonel Sandys, Sir Benjamin Stone, Mr. Middlemore, Sir Edward Sussan, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Ward, Mr. Richardson, Mr. John Rutherford, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Thornton, Sir Walter Nagent, and Sir Berkeley Sheffield.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply (Navy Committee of Supply):

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed; That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Edmund Robertson.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to Spirit Rations, the question, by leaving out the word "That", to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House is of opinion that, in the interests of the men in the Royal Navy, effect should be given to the suggestion of the Victualling Committee of last year to raise the money and give in place of the spirit ration, that the issue of the spirit ration should be discontinued in the case of all new recruits, whilst preserving to them the money allowance in its place."—(Mr. Gulland.)—It was agreed to.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Edmund Robertson rose in his place and claimed to move; That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply, the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)


Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;—(Mr. Whiteley);—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the conditions under which Chinese seamen are employed on British vessels at ports in the United Kingdom calls for an immediate investigation by a Select Committee of this House, with a view to determining whether the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, are sufficient to enable the Board of Trade to prevent abuses arising out of the employment of Chinese in the British mercantile marine—(Mr. Fenwick); — And the said Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Dublin and South Eastern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in respect of the Bills comprised in the list reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means, as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following case, viz.:

London and Windsor Motor Roads, Tramroads, and Tramways.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London and Windsor Motor Roads, Tramroads, and Tramways [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Fourth Report of the Royal Commission on Vivisection, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence), October to December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman, presented, by His Majesty’s Civil Service Command,—Estimate showing the several Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March, 1909.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. McKenna, presented, by His Majesty’s Board of Command,—Copy of Supplementary Regulations for Secondary Schools in Wales (including Monmouthshire), 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing, for each of the three (Collection of Kingdoms, (1) the amount charged for Income Tax, Land Tax, and Inhabited House Duty for the financial years 1906, 1907, and 1908; and (2) the amounts and percentage of the same collected in each country by the 31st day of January and the 26th day of February, respectively, in each of the said years (in P. & P. 0. of Session 1907).—(Mr. M‘Crae.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Polling Committee A. Arrangements (Parliamentary Boroughs) and of the Police (Superannuation) Bills)—Mr. Essex.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mooney reported from the Committee on Harwich Group A of Private Bills; That in the case of the Harwich Docks Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Wilkie, supported by Mr. Steadman, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Bell, Mr. Barnes, Mr. James Haslam, Mr. Shackleton, and Mr. Thorne, presented a Bill to restrict the Hours for Labour in Bakehouses;—Ordered; and to be printed.

Bill 135.

Mr. Sloan, supported by Mr. Thomas Corbett, Handloom Weavers (Labour) Bill;—Ordered, and to be printed.

Bill 136.

Mr. Gill, supported by Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Bell, Mr. Thorne, Mr. James Haslam, Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Steadman, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Weaving (Handloom) Bill;—Ordered, and to be printed.

Bill 137.
Barnes, Mr. Kelley, Mr. George Roberts, and Mr. Tyson Wilson, presented a Bill to amend the Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1857, for the purpose of reducing the charges for Death Certificates in certain cases: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Sir George Kekewich, supported by Mr. Stephen Brooke, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Gibbes, Mr. Long, Mr. William Redmond, and Mr. Simon, presented a Bill to amend the Pedlars Acts as regards persons for whom Certificates shall not be required: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir George L. Curie, supported by Mr. Moore, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, and Mr. Thomas Corbett, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Drunkenness in Ireland, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:—
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, further proceeding was postponed without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House is of opinion that the recent high price of Bread in this country is due to natural causes alone, and that any import duty on wheat would tend to raise the price still higher and aggravate the suffering caused by dear Bread—(Sir Joseph Leese);—
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 2, by leaving out all the words after the word "causes," and adding the words "and neglect of British resources, and that great advantage to the consumers in the United Kingdom would follow such a rearrangement of duties on food products as will encourage the productive power of the Empire as a whole, and so lessen our dependence on foreign countries for the necessities of life"—(Mr. Goulstone)—instead thereof.
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Whiteley, 203.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joseph Pease;
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Elections Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restraining of Traders Trade (Shops) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs' Protection Debate on the Question proposed, that the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;—

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Spurious Sports Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace and County Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voters (Qualification and Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Spurious Sports Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The postponed proceeding on the Question, Supply (Army Estimates), was, according to Order, read a second time.

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the Debate.

And objection being taken to further proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply [9th into consideration the Second and subsequent Report. Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill. Second Reading of the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) Bill (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 27.]

Thursday, 5th March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 62 has not been complied with, viz.:

- London Port and Docks Bill.
- Great Eastern Railway (Steamboats) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order 67 has not been complied with, viz.:

- Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Bill to confer further powers on the Camborne Water Company for the raising of capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection to refer, if they think fit, the Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Bill to the Police and Sanitary Committee.—(Mr. Corrie Grant.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Return of Copies of the several descriptions of Qualifications under the Militia Act, 1882, lodged with the Clerk of General Meetings of Lieutenant in Ireland by Deputy Lieutenants during the year 1907, as furnished to the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Copy of Account of receipts into, and payments out of, the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, under the Probate Duties (Scotland and Ireland) Act, 1888; the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1890; the Local Taxation (Customs and Inland Revenue) Act, 1890; the Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891; the Finance Act, 1894; the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898; and the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902, for the year ending 31st March 1907.

Copy of Fertilizers and Feeding Stuffs Regulations, No. 2, 1907, made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Fertilizers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906.

Copy of the American Gooseberry Mildew and Black Currant Mite (Ireland) Order, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Morley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables relating to the Trade of British India with British Possessions and Foreign Countries, for the five years 1902-3 to 1906-7.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of List of Certified Schools for Education, Blind, Deaf, Demented, and Epileptic Children in England and Wales on the 1st August 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Money Order Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1908, dated 7th February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, to Divorce Law morrow, the Divorce Law Amendment (No. 2) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 13th day of this instant March.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Summary Monday next, the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Arthur Philip Du Cros, Esquire, Member for New Member the Borough of Hastings, was sworn.

Mr. Whitbread reported from the Committee on the Private Bills on Group C of Private Bills; That Mr. Jeynes, (Group C) one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the Sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Whitbread reported from the Committee on the Private Bills on Group C of Private Bills; That the parties (Group C) promoting the Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill had stated that the evidence of William Brock Keen, of 23, Queen Victoria Street, in the City of London, was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said William Brock Keen do attend the said Committee on Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.
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Ordered, That William Brock Keen do attend the Committee on Group C of Private Bills on Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Selection (Standing Committee.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills:—Mr. Ward (added in respect of the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill); and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill): Mr. Runciman.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, viz.: That it is desirable that the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, viz.: That it is desirable that the London and District Electricity Supply Bill, London Electric Supply Bill, and London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

Mr. Dickinson, supported by Sir William Bull, Mr. Bowes, Sir William Collins, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Timothy Davies, Sir George Farrell, Mr. Claude Hay, Sir Henry Kimber, Earl Percy, Mr. Albert Spicer, and Mr. Waterlow, presented a Bill to amend the Metropolitan Management Acts with respect to Sewers and Drains: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Rabbits on Committce Bill. Bill 140.

Mr. Escoet, supported by Mr. Cobbold, Sir William Brampton Gordon, Mr. George Hardy, Mr. Runciman, Mr. Scarpe, Mr. James Parker, and Mr. Nicholls, presented a Bill to allow Commissioners to kill and take Rabbits on Commons: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Branches of Byelaws Bill. Bill 142.

Mr. Wedgwood, supported by Sir Francis Channing, Mr. Charles Roberts, Mr. Austin Taylor, and Mr. Mallet, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to penalties for breaches of Byelaws: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Married Women's Property Bill. Bill 143.

Mr. Hicks Beach, supported by Mr. Stanley Hill, Mr. Lane-Fox, Mr. Cave, Mr. Micklem, and Mr. Rogers, presented a Bill to render Married Women with a separate estate liable for the support of their parents: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill. Bill 144.

Mr. Scott, supported by Mr. Bell, Mr. Wedgwood, Sir Randal Cremer, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Harwood, Sir Maurice Levy, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Arthur Harvey, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. Snowden, and Mr. Thomson, presented a Bill to provide for the taxation and purchase of Land by Local Authorities: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on going into Committee of Supply, if under discussion when the Business is postponed this day, be resumed and proceeded with, though opposed, after the interruption of Business—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Mr. Whiteley, Yes, 

Mr. Joseph Pease: 289.

Tellers for the

Sir Alexander Actland-NOES, Yesc:. 89.

Sir Vincent Valencia:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply (Army the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Estimates) upon the 4th day of this instant March, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to Trade the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, the powers now vested in chief magistrates to call upon the War Office to supply troops during times of trade disputes are open to grave abuse, are a menace to the liberty of the subject, and ought to be inquired into and reported upon by a Committee of this House"—( Mr. Weddle),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply.

The Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1908–9.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply [30th Resolution which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [20th the Report from the Committee of Supply of the Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [20th the Report from the Committee of Supply of February Report.

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to strike out from Part II. of the Bill all Clauses dealing with milk supply other than the Model Milk Clauses.—(Mr. Courthope.)

Blackburn Corporation Bill.

The Blackburn Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to strike out from the Bill all Clauses dealing with milk supply other than the Model Milk Clauses.—(Mr. Courthope.)

Withens Corporation Bill.

The Withens Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to strike out from the Bill all Clauses dealing with milk supply other than the Model Milk Clauses.—(Mr. Courthope.)

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 28.]

Friday, 6th March 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Orders 62 and 67 not Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, compiled Standing Orders 62 and 67 have not been complied with, viz.—

Mullinger, Kells, and Drogheda Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Madras Railway Company (Annuities) Madras Railway Company Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Local Taxation (Ireland), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, No. 83.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented, by His Majesty's Railway Command,—Copy of Returns of Accidents and Accidents. Casualties, as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ending 30th September 1907; together with the Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into. Part II. Reports on Accidents.

Copy of Return showing (1) numbers and passengers nationalities of the Passengers that left or arrived in the United Kingdom for or from places out of Europe; (2) the net balance of such Passengers outward or inward in each month of the year 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of the London County Education Council Syllabus, contained in a Return to an Order of the House of Lords, numbered (115-1) 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Treaty Series His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Accession (No. 6, 1908) of Sweden to the International Sanitary Convention, signed at Paris, 3rd December 1908, 30th December 1907.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the War Office Committee on the treatment of Soldiers invalided for Tuberculosis.

Mr. Secretary Haldane also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Schemes made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of Territorial Force Associations.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Herbert Samuel, and Mr. Gladstone; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Birrell, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Agnew, Mr. Bertram Straus, Mr. Robert Price, Mr. Mornham, Mr. Scheanna, Mr. Hugh Law, Mr. M'Callum, Captain Craig, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. John Johnson, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, Mr. Long, and Mr. Patrick O'Brien.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Law of Distress (Amendment) Bill):—Mr. Middleton, Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Hodge, Mr. Lardner, Mr. Nield, Mr. Bruce, Sir William Bull, Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, Mr. Butcher, Mr. M'Callum, Mr. Beale, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Mckeen, Mr. Napper, and Mr. Walker.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That, in pursuance of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, they had selected the following Fifteen Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners:—Mr. McCrean, Sir John Tuke, Mr. Findlay, Mr. Ainsworth, Sir John Dewar, Mr. John Deans Hope, Mr. Wilkin, Mr. Bell, Major Anstruther-Gray, Viscount Dalrymple, Mr. M'Callum, Mr. Charles Price, Sir Andrew Turrance, Sir John Jardine, and Mr. Tempest.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill;—And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." (Viscount Morpeth.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;—Vol. 163.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant March.

Public Libraries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant March.

Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Industrial Schools Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of this instant March.

Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conveyancing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Settled Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Representation of the People Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Larceny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Private Bills (Group B).

Six Henry Kimber reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then three minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time during the three days immediately following the day on which it was read a second time;
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report from the Director on the Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bures presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Abstract of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in England and Wales in the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Commission.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Edmund Robertson presented, by His Naval Works, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum showing Progress and Expenditure, &c. on items included in the Naval Works Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, for the year preceding 1st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the Leeward Islands directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Prison Rules respecting the mode of employment of Female Prisoners in the Leeward Islands.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Sydney Buxton, pursuant to Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, for the year preceding 1st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strode presented, pursuant to Directions of an Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 27th February 1908, revoking Order No. 6176, of the 19th May.
for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, including 18,463 Royal Marines:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That 120,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys be employed for the said Services — (Mr. Murray MacDonald):—Debate arising;

Mr. Mallet rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Question put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed:—Debate arising?

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put, the Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,] 


Tellers for the [Mr. Claude Hay, Noes,] [Mr. Bramston: ] 43.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply [10th February] into consideration the Second and subsequent Report.

Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply;—

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [11th February] the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [20th February] the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill.

Second Reading of the Licensing Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill.

Second Reading of the Children Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Peerage Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Incest Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Women's Enfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Elections Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Elections and the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Bill Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts (Dublin) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of February last, That the
Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Representation of the People Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Bill of the People;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Larceny Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Report on the Victoria Education and Albert Museum, the Royal College of Science and Art, the Geological Survey and Museum, and on the work of the Solar Physics Committee, for the year 1906.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the Lighthouses, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Reports to the Board of Trade by the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Commissioners of Irish Lights of their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Professor R. A. S. Redmayne, M.sc., on the causes of, and circumstances attending the Shaft Accidents which occurred at the Fogg's Barrow, and Rawdon Collieries on 4th October and 15th and 18th November 1907, respectively.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of (1) the Report of District Inspector Preston, Royal Irish Constabulary, on the Explosion at Lord Ash town's Lodge, Glensharry, County Waterford, to the Police Authorities, dated 7th September 1907 ; (2) the Statement of District Inspector Preston, dated 11th Se tem ber 1907, furnished to Lord Ash town, to the county council of Water or, and to the Rural District Council of Clonmel; 
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, by His Majesty's Postal Command,—Copy of additional Articles to the Agreement, dated 29th April—7th November 1906, for an exchange of Money Orders between the Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post Office of the Dutch Colony of Surinam, dated the 11th December 1907—13th February 1908.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Menzies, supported by Mr. Guilmard, Mr. Fruit Growers Anisworth, Mr. Eugene Wason, Mr. Beale, and
Mr. Dunleavy White, presented a Bill to give increased security of tenure to Fruit Growers in Scotland:...and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Police Bill to provide one day's rest in seven to the Police; and that Mr. Remnant, Mr. Goulding, Sir William Bull, and Mr. Claude Hay do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Remnant accordingly presented a Bill to Police provide one day's rest in seven to the Police; and the same was ordered to be read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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No. 30.] Tuesday, 10th March 1908.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greystones Gas Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order made upon the 8th day of this instant March, That the Report of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills upon the Mullingar, Kells, and Drogheda Railway Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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10th March. 1908. [No. 30.]

Business of the House (Supply.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Business of Supply, if under discussion when the Business is postponed this day, be resumed and proceed with, though opposed, after the interruption of Business—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas (Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Joseph Pease):
370.
Tellers for the Noes (Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Viscount Valentia):
87.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)


1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £7,129,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Wages, &c. to Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item B (Coast Guard, Wages and Allowances) be reduced by £100.—(Mr. Fell.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas (Mr. Fell, Sir William Bull):
46.
Tellers for the Noes (Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Joseph Pease):
335.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £2,306,700 for Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other charges connected therewith.

Resolved to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Report from the Committee of Supply of [9th March] report.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 11th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 20th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Contempt of Court is practically arbitrary and unlimited, and, especially in view of recent exercises of that jurisdiction in Ireland, calls for the action of Parliament, with a view to its definition and limitation—(Mr. Nicholas Murphy):
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "especially in view of recent exercises of that jurisdiction in Ireland."—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the Captain Donelan, Yeas, (Mr. Patrick O'Brien 184.
 Tellers for the Mr. Charles Craig, Noes, (Mr. Lonsdale 59.
 So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the Captain Donelan, Yeas, (Mr. Patrick O'Brien 181.
 Tellers for the Mr. Moore, Noes, (Captain Craig 66.
 So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That the jurisdiction of judges in dealing with Contempt of Court is practically arbitrary and unlimited, and, especially in view of recent exercises of that jurisdiction in Ireland, calls for the action of Parliament, with a view to its definition and limitation.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Married Women's Property Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Peerage Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Incest Bill was, according to Order, read Incest Bill, a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill.
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
10th—11th March. 1908. [No. 31.]

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Police Superannuation Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Committee on the Stockport Corporation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Henry Kimber reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Pensions (Old Age) Bill, was read Age Bill, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant March.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Housing of Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant March.

Mr. Mooney reported from the Committee on the West Bridgford Urban District Council Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Herne Bay Act to authorize the sale of Herne Bay Pier, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Herne Bay Pier Bill [Lords] was read Herne Bay Pier Bill [Lords] the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners for Petitions for Private Bills.
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11th March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holdings Bill.

Trawlers' Certificates Suspension Bill.

Mr. Weir, supported by Mr. Morton, Mr. Ainsworth, Mr. Leitner, Harnsoworth, Mr. Cathcart, Wann, Mr. Byres, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Younger, and Major Asstruther-Grey, presented a Bill to enable Courts to suspend the Certificates of Trawlers convicted of illegal Trawling: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 20th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. 

Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1908-9.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 185,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at Home and Abroad, excluding His Majesty's Indian Possessions, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:—Debate arising;

Mr. Secretary Haldane rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,] Yeas; [Mr. Joseph Pease: ] 186.

Tellers for the [Mr. Murray Macdonald,] Noes; [Mr. Luttrell: ] 41.

Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, further proceeding was postponed without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House is of opinion that the system whereby the maximum amount whereby the maximum amount sanctioed by Law at a time when the valuation of the City of Dublin was comparatively low still continues to be levied is unjustifiable, in view of the fact that the valuation of the city has greatly increased, and that the number of Police has not appreciably increased; that the crimeless condition of the city does not warrant this heavy expenditure; and that the control of this Police Force should be vested in the local authorities, as is the case in cities in Great Britain—(Mr. Meagher):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant March.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supplies (Army Estimates) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Proposal that the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The postponed proceeding in Committee of Supply (Army Estimates) was resumed. Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution. Ordered, That the Report be read to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of February last; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Bill (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Message from the Lords of the 5th day of this instant March, That it is desirable that the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.
Ordered, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 32.]

Thursday, 12th March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the London Port and Docks Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum issued by the Home Office relative to the administration of the Proclamation of Offenders Act, 19 7, containing the Rules made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under section 7 of the Act.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending an Explosion of Cartridges, which occurred on the registered premises of Messrs. Dyke and Co., at 5, Saint George's Avenue, Aldermaston, E.G., on 1st January 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Raschman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Annual Accounts for the year 1906-7 of Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, &c., including Manufacturers; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 51.

No. 32.—

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the alcoholic strength, degree imported, by degree, of Wines imported to this country during the year 1907 in cask from the various countries of Europe, Madeira, Australia, and other countries (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 81 of Session 1907).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Derby Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:— Mr. Charles Craig; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Thomas Corbett.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Thirteen Members (in respect of the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill):— Mr. John Wilson, Mr. Glover, Mr. Gay Wilson, Sir Edwin Cornwell, Mr. Newnes, Mr. McKinnon Wood, Mr. Wiles, Mr. Carr-Gomm, Mr. Trevelyan, Mr. Guinness, Viscount Morpeth, Sir William Bull, and Mr. Goulding.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill):— Mr. Secretary Gladstone and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. McKenna and Mr. Lough.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Thirteen Members (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill):— Mr. Walker, Mr. Wedgwood, Mr. Atkins, Mr. Gordon Harney, Mr. Massie, Mr. Verney, Mr. Wisefrey, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Stanley-Bill, Sir Francis Sharp Powell, Viscount Morpeth, and Sir Philip Magnus.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Thirteen Members (in respect of the Incest Bill):— Colonel Lockwood, Sir John Kennaway, Colonel Sundys, Colonel Warde, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Maclean, Mr. George Hardy, Mr. Henry Wilson, Mr. Weir, Mr. Hodges, Mr. Robert Pearce, Mr. John Wilson, and Mr. Clynes.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Rochdale Corporation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Mooney reported from the Committee on the Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Cathcart Watson, supported by Mr. Ainsworth, Mr. Leicester Harmsworth, Sir John Dewar, Mr. Crombie, Mr. Guillem, Sir Henry Craik, Viscount Dalrymple, Major Austruther-Gray, Mr. Younger, Mr. Cross, and Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the tenure of office of Parochial Medical Officers in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of April next; and to be printed.

Sir Howard Vincent, supported by Sir William Brampton Gurdon, Sir Frederick Banbury, and Mr. Nield, presented a Bill to regulate the exportation of Horses, and to prevent cruelty in connection therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Business of Supply, if under discussion when the Business is postponed this day, be resumed and proceeded with, though opposed, after the interruption of Business, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15 — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Whiteley. 277.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir Alexander Acland-Hood. 79.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1908-9.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £9,422,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c. of His Majesty's Army (including Army Reserve), at Home and Abroad (exclusive of India), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909; Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £9,422,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Ivor Herbert.)

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March;  

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March;  

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];  

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley) —It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to- morrow.
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while ready to consider any practical proposal for dealing with the evil of unemployment, cannot entertain a measure which, by wasting the resources of the nation, would throw out of work more persons than it could assist, and would destroy the power of organised labour, but hopes that the Government will give immediate consideration to the recommendations in the forthcoming Report of the Poor Law Commission, so far as they deal with unemployment"—(Mr. Maddison)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, yeas, (Mr. John Ward: 116.
Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, noes, (Mr. Fuller: 265.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, yeas, (Mr. Fuller: 241.
Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, noes, (Mr. John Ward: 95.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That this House, while ready to consider any practical proposal for dealing with the evil of unemployment, cannot entertain a measure which, by wasting the resources of the nation, would throw out of work more persons than it could assist, and would destroy the power of organised labour, but hopes that the Government will give immediate consideration to the recommendations in the forthcoming Report of the Poor Law Commission, so far as they deal with unemployment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 30th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Scotland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Spurious Sports Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace and County Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 23rd day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.
Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz. —

Herne Bay Pier Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, Orders not complied with,

Cambrian Railways Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Camberwell Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member Writ, to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Camberwell (Peckham Division), in the room of Charles Goddard Clarke, Esquire, deceased. —(Mr. Whiteley.)

Several Public Petitions, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Charity Majestyst's Command,—Copy of Fifty-fifth Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, being for the year 1907. — Copy of Supplement to the Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for the year 1906. Returns of persons employed in 1904 in Non-Textile Factories, and Summary of Annual Reports of Medical Officers of Health for 1906. —

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Essex, altering the Polling Districts in the Mid or Chelmsford Parliamentary Division. — Copy of Order made by the Council of the Shop Hours West Riding of Yorkshire under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of shops within the Sowerby Bridge Urban District.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Emigration Command,—Copy of Emigration Statistics of Ireland for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Elementary Education Command,—Copy of the Enactments proposed to be amended or repealed in the Schedules to the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill. —

Mr. McKenna also presented, pursuant to the Spring Assizes directions of several Acts of Parliament,— Act, 1879.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, and the Winter Assizes Act, 1876, of 29th February 1808, constituting Spring Assize Counties Nos. 2 and 3 for the purpose of the ensuing Spring Assizes.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894, dated the 29th Shipping Act, February 1908, (1) applying the provisions of section 238 of the Act to Deserter from Roumanian Vessels; and (2) revoking the Order No. 4.
of the 2nd November 1907 relating to the same subject.

Copy of Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, of 29th February 1908, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty for sanction to (1) the continuance of payment of Command Money heretofore paid to the Captains of the Gunnery Schools at Sheerness and Devonport, and allowances to Gunners at those Schools on their amalgamation with the Royal Naval Barracks at Chatham and Devonport; (2) improvements in the Pay and Position of Commissioned Warrant Officers and Warrant Officers, and in the Pensions of Chief and Head Schoolmasters in His Majesty's Navy; (3) the payment of Prize Money for proficiency in Torpedo Practice; and (4) certain modifications in the Rules respecting allowances for Gunnery and Torpedo, and the application to men in the Service of the Regulations abolishing Re-engaged Pay.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Emigration.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Emigrants' Information Office for the year ended 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Sir Edward Strode, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1907. Vol. XLI., Part II., Return of Produce of Crops in Great Britain, with Summaries for the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Act of Sederunt regulating the Fees payable in the Sheriff Courts of Scotland, and prescribing the form of Books of Account to be kept by Sheriff Clerks.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Superannuation Act, 1857.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1857, dated 15th March 1898, granting to James Ranyard Lee, First-Class Attendant, British Museum, a retiring allowance under that Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Loans Fund. No. 48.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Accounts of receipts and payments by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in respect of the capital and income of the Local Loans Fund, for the year ended 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do be printed.

Island of Vatersay. No. 91.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Correspondence between Lady Gordon Clerk and the Secretary for Scotland and the Lord Advocate, with reference to the seizure and occupation of the Island of Vatersay by Squatters; and with regard to proposed future arrangements in that island. — (Mr. Sinclair.)

Mr. Sinclair accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, upon National Wednesday next, the National Military Training Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Huddersfield Water Bill Act to make further provision with respect to the discharge of compensation waters from the water undertaking of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Huddersfield; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Huddersfield Water Bill [Lords] was put down for reading the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Robert Pearce, supported by Sir William Caldecott, Mr. John Deans Hope, and Mr. Corrie, moved the Second Reading of the Bill, intituled An Huddersfield Water Bill, Bill 155. The Bill was read and discharged. 'Mr. Speaker, I am of opinion that the said Return do lie upon the Table.'

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply. [3rd allotted day.]

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9 (Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £21,805,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, viz.:

Civil Services.

CLASS II.

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries — 65,000

Revenue Department — 6,500,000

Civil Services.

CLASS II.

Ireland:

Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction — 95,000

CLASS I.

Royal Palaces — 20,000

Osborne — 5,000

Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens — 50,000

Houses of Parliament Buildings — 18,000

Salisbury Memorial — 1,000

Miscellaneous Local Buildings, Great Britain — 30,000

Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain — 25,000

Diplomatic and Consular Buildings — 40,000

Revenue Buildings — 250,000

Public Buildings, Great Britain — 220,000

Surveys of the United Kingdom — 90,000

Harbours under the Board of Trade — 20,000

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item, Class II., Vote 11 (Board of Agriculture and Fisheries), be reduced by £1,000.—(Mr. Chaplin.) The Committee divided. Tellers for the | Viscount Valentia, Yeas, | Mr. Henry Forster: | 87. |
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Original Question again proposed: Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item, Class II., Vote 11 (Board of Agriculture and Fisheries), be reduced by £100.—(Sir Berkeley Sheffield.) The Committee divided. Tellers for the | Sir Frederick Banbury, Yeas, | Mr. Thomas Corbett: | 47. |
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Original Question again proposed: Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item, Revenue Department, Vote 3, be reduced by £100.—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.) The Committee divided. Tellers for the | Mr. Samuel Roberts, Yeas, | Earl Winterton: | 63. |
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Original Question put, and agreed to. Resolution to be reported.
16th March.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; 

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; 

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill. 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prosecution of Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords]; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill, 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant March.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts (Dublin) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds (Enfranchisement) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Eleotion Days) Closing Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Mr. McKenna, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Public Elementary Schools in Single-School Parishes, as defined in section 3 (6) of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Morley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Land Revenue Assessments in the Punjab since 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of the Standing Orders, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of the County Court Rules, dated 13th March 1908.

Copy of the Workmen's Compensation Rules, dated 14th March 1908, made under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. That in the case of the London United Tramways, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Ards and Bangor Railways, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that the powers to construct Railways Nos. 3 and 4 are struck out of the Bill, and that the fact that a deposit equal to five per cent. of the amount of the estimate of expense in respect of the remaining railways proposed to be authorised has been made with the Accountant General of the Supreme Court of Judicature in Ireland be proved before the Committee on the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

3. That in the case of the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that Clauses 53 to 58, inclusive, are struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

4. That in the case of the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill (Lords.), Petition for additional provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the promoters have leave to insert the additional provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

5. That in the case of the Alliance and other Assurance and Insurance Companies (Lords.), Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

6. That in the case of the West London, Barnes, and Richmond Tramways (Lords.), Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that all tramways are struck out of the Bill in respect of which the consents of the local and road authorities, to the extent to which they are needed, as Standing Richard are 22, are not proved before the Committee to whom the Bill is referred; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

That the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend and amend the Law as to Costs in Criminal Cases: And the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examination of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Summerbell, supported by Mr. Walsh, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Glover, Mr. Parker, Mr. Joseph Lovett, Mr. Tyson Wilson, and Mr. Thomas Peel, presented a Bill to restrict the hours of Labour of Surface and subsurface colliers called upon to work seven days per week to eight hours per day: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Solicitor General, supported by Mr. Secretary Gladstone and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to extend and amend the Law as to Costs in Criminal Cases: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lupton, supported by Mr. Lattey, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Higham, Mr. Robert Price, Mr. Winfrey, Mr. John Ward, and Mr. John Randles, presented a Bill to restrict the hours of Labour of Surface and subsurface colliers called upon to work seven days per week to eight hours per day: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Cathcart Wason, supported by Mr. Ainsworth, Mr. Leicester Beresford, Mr. Heir, Mr. Morton, Mr. Lamont, Captain Waring, and Mr. John Henderson, Mr. Pirie, Mr. Williamson, and Mr. Sneatow, presented a Bill to restrict the hours of Labour of Surface and subsurface colliers called upon to work seven days per week to eight hours per day: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committees of Ways and Means.

(To the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supplies granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908, the sum of £3,752,817 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

(To the Committee.)
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of February last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of February last, viz.:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary) Estimates, 1907-8.

Class II.

2. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £100,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including certain Grants in Aid.

3. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £200 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

Class III.

4. That a sum not exceeding £1,670 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.

Class V.

5. That a sum not exceeding £327 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for making good the net loss on transactions connected with the raising of money for the various Treasury Chests Abroad in the year 1906-7.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.


Mr. Secretary Gladstone reported from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of February last a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary) Estimates, 1907-8.

Class III.

That a supplementary sum not exceeding £2,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland.

The said Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£2,500" and inserting "£2,400"—(Captain Craig)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£2,500" stand part of the said Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley] Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease ;]

Tellers for the [Captain Craig, Nos, [Mr. Thomas Corbett ;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [20th February] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant March; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill; Report.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Children Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords]. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

London Electric Supply Bills [Lords.] A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Lords' Message of the 5th day of this instant March, That it is desirable that the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords], the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords], and the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be now taken into consideration — (The Chairman of Ways and Means) — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Lords' Message into consideration. Resolved, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Resolution. — (Mr. Lloyd George.) Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn — (Mr. Joseph Pease): — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill. Standing Committee.

Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill. A.

17th—18th March. 1908. [No. 36.]

Wednesday, 18th March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Standing Order 62 Private Bills, That in the case of the following compiled Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, with:—

Standing Order 62 has been complied with, viz.:

Camborne Water Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Derby Gas Bill, as amended in the Bill Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the South West Suburban Water Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Cheek Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports to the Secretary of State for the Home Department by the Departmental Committees on Check weighing at Lime and Cement Works, &c. to which (1) Cement, Works and Chalk Quarries, and (2) Lime Works and Limestone Quarries.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3962 and 3963.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Transvaal directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Government Treasury Minute, dated 25th February 1908, embodying the Treasury (Guarantee of the Transvaal Treasury Bills issued under section 1 (3) of the Transvaal Loan (Guarantee) Act, 1907, on the 1st February 1908, to a total amount of £500,000.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Appeal Rules. Table by the Clerk of the House.—Copy of the Criminal Appeal Rules, 1908.

Mr. Stuart Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 160, Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.
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Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Order No. 93.

Mr. Whitbread reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committee) Standing Committee A.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill);—Mr. Timothy Davies and Mr. Walker; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill); Mr. Benn and Mr. Acland.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group C.)

Mr. Mooney reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills; that the parties promoting the Glynnorog Urban District Council Bill had stated that the evidence of Dr. William Williams, Medical Officer of Health, Cardiff, and Isaac Davies, of Abergevny, Schoolmaster, was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Dr. William Williams and Isaac Davies do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Dr. William Williams and Isaac Davies do attend the Committee on Group A of Private Bills to-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the National Military Training Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of April next.

Message from the Lords;

Clyde Navigation (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill (Lords.), without any Amendment.

Captain Craig, supported by Colonel M'Calmont, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Moore, Mr. Thomas Corbett, Mr. Charles Craig, and Mr. Hugh Burrie, reported for the heating of National School Houses in Ireland: And the Vol. 163.

same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Horne - Bannister, supported by Mr. Trust Armitage and Mr. Scott, presented a Bill to amend the Law as to the investment of Trust Funds; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Winfrey, supported by Mr. Idris, Mr. Pharmacy Henner, Mr. Guilford, Mr. Remnant, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Fishman Rutherford, and Mr. Ellis Griffin, presented a Bill to amend the Pharmacy Acts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Business of the House Supply, if under discussion when the Business is postponed this day, be resumed and proceeded with, though opposed, after the interruption of Business,—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Herbert Lewis:)

Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, 302.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Alexander Acland-

Hood, 75.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sir Henry Fowler reported from the Com- Supply mittee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant [16th March] March a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9 (Vote on Account).

That a sum not exceeding £21,895,000 be Civil Services granted to His Majesty, on account, for or and Revenue towards defraying the charges for the following Departments Estimates, Civil Services and Revenue Departments for 1908-9 (Vote on Account) vis.:—

Civil Services.

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CLASS I.

| Royal Palaces                    | 20,000           |
| Osborne                          | 5,000            |
| Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens | 52,000           |
| Houses of Parliament Buildings   | 18,000           |
| Salisbury Memorial               | 1,000            |
| Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain | 30,000          |
| Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain | 20,000          |
| Diplomatic and Consular Buildings | 40,000           |
| Revenue Buildings                | 250,000          |
| Public Buildings, Great Britain  | 230,000          |
| Surveys of the United Kingdom    | 20,000           |
| Harbours under the Board of Trade | 30,000           |
| Petersham Harbour                | 10,000           |
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### Scotland:
- Secretary for Scotland, Office of | 25,000
- Fishery Board | 7,000
- Lunacy Commission | 2,500
- Register General's Office | 1,000
- Local Government Board | 5,000

### Ireland:
- Lord Lieutenant's Household | 2,000
- Chief Secretary's Offices and subordinate Departments | 10,000
- Charitable Donations and Requests Office | 1,000
- Local Government Board | 30,000
- Public Record Office | 2,000
- Public Works Office | 16,000
- Registrar General's Office | 5,000
- Valuation and Boundary Survey | 7,000

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### Scotland:
- Law Charges and Courts of Law | 30,000
- Register House, Edinburgh | 15,000
- Crofters Commission | 2,000
- Prisons | 3,000

### Ireland:
- Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions | 25,000
- Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments | 43,000
- Land Commission | 110,000
- County Court Officers, &c. | 40,000
- Dublin Metropolitan Police | 60,000
- Royal Irish Constabulary | 615,000
- Prisons | 50,000
- Reformatory and Industrial Schools | 50,000
- Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum | 4,000

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| Diplomatic and Consular Services | 250,000 |
| Colonial Services | 350,000 |
| Telegraph Subsidies and Pacific Cable | 25,000 |
| Cyprus (Grant in Aid) | 49,000 |

### CLASS VI.

| Superannuation and Retired Allowances | 200,000 |
| Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances | 1,150 |
| Hospitals and Charities, Ireland | 17,000 |
| Savings Banks and Friendly Societies | — |

### CLASS VII.

| Temporary Commissions | 25,000 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | 4,740 |
| Repayments to the Local Loans Fund | — |
| Ireland Development Grant | 100,000 |

| Revenue Departments | — |
| Customs | 350,000 |
| Inland Revenue | 830,000 |

### Total for Civil Services and Revenues Departments | £21,805,000

The said Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out "£21,805,000" and inserting "£21,804,900" — (Mr. Dillon), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£21,805,000" stand part of the said Resolution. — The said proposed Amendment was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Eight-Hours Day proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, Working Day, the time has arrived when, in the interests of the workers generally, and in view of the present large number of unemployed, the working day in all trades and industries should be limited by Law to a maximum of Eight Hours — (Mr. Clynes) — And a Debate arising thereupon:

Earl Winterton rose in his place and claimed closure to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question: — Then the House adjourned the Debate.

Sir Frederick Banbury rose in his place and claimed closure to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question: — Then the House resumed the Debate.

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Bakehouses) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Lands (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rights of Way (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Nurses Registration (No. 5) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Represetation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voters (Qualification and Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restraint of Trades Registration (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Scotland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Sites) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant March.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time the-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time; 
Ordered, That the Debate be farther adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of April next.

Mr. Secretary Holdane reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of February last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

(Supplementary) Estimates, 1907-8.

Revenue Departments.

1. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £290,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs.

Class III.

2. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

Class IV.

3. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £5,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1908 for the Expenses of the Board of Education, including a Grant in Aid of the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

The first two Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Third Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—
And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 19th March 1908:

Mr. Lough rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put; 
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; 
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, 

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease] ; 

Noo, [Mr. Watson Rutherfurd]; 

Tellers for the Viscount Valencia, 

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease]; 

Noo, [Lord Edmund Talbot]; 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; 

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; 
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, 

Yea, [Mr. Joseph Pease]; 

Noo, [Mr. Watson Rutherfurd]; 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March; 
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant March; 
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March; 
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Whiteley reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March [10th March] several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:


1. That a sum not exceeding £7,129,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Wages, &c. to Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

2. That a sum not exceeding £2,206,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, at Home and Abroad.

Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.
The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill.
Ordered, That the House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

A Bill for making railways in the County of Ards and Down, to be called the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for conferring further powers on the London United Tramways, Limited; for constructing tramways, and widening and altering streets and roads, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the machinery and cost of Elections in certain British Colonies.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the information required from the Grant for Public Education in Scotland in the year 1907, with Statistics.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventieth Annual Report of the Loan Fund Board of Ireland, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Foreign Trade and Commerce.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Hours of Labour (Bakers') Bill, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of April next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the City of Glasgow Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Seaham Harbour Dock Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Blaydon and Byton Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Blaydon and Byton Water (Transfer) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill):—Mr. McKenna, Mr. Lough, and Sir Edward Strachey.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A, the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill)—Mr. Curlique, Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Butler, Sir John Kenesway, Mr. Arkwright, Sir Francis Lowe, Mr. Howes, Mr. Benn, Mr. Yoxall, Mr. Atkins, Mr. Winfrey, Mr. Montague, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Dunn, and Mr. Nicholls.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A, the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill)—Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Charles Danceon, Mr. Jeff Jones, Mr. Scott, Mr. Enslin, Mr. Wight, Mr. Guinnnes, Sir Frederick Banbury, Sir Gilbert Parker, Mr. Du Clos, Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Strauss, and Mr. Clement Edwards.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A, the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill)—Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Charles Danceon, Mr. Jeff Jones, Mr. Scott, Mr. Enslin, Mr. Wight, Mr. Guinnnes, Sir Frederick Banbury, Sir Gilbert Parker, Mr. Du Clos, Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Strauss, and Mr. Clement Edwards.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Five Lords to join with a Committee of the House to consider the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill and, they request this House to appoint an equal number of its Members to be joined with the said Lords. That they propose that the said Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room A, on Tuesday next, at Three of the clock.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Trawlers' Certificates Suspension Bill, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of April next.

Mr. Trevelyan presented a Bill to confirm a Buxton Scheme of the Charity Commissioners relating to the Long Ashton (Congregational Chapel) Charity Bill; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Business of the House Supply, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left. Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease: 273.]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Nones, Mr. Henry Forster: 73.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 18th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March:

2. That a sum not exceeding £2,306,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Whiteley reported from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:


That 158,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys be Coast Guard employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, including 18,463 Royal Marines.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Army Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And that Mr. Secretary Halley, Mr. Edmund Robertson, and Mr. Buchanan do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Buchanan accordingly presented a Bill to Army provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And the said Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 18th day of this instant March, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution:


1. That a sum not exceeding £7,129,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Wages, &c. to Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Ways and Means to take into consideration the Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 18th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means:

2. That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Fund, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, the sum of £44,456,400 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Consolidated Gentlemen appointed to bring in a Bill upon the Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 18th day of this instant March, and then agreed to by the House, that they do make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Mr. Runciman presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred and 

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eight and one thousand nine hundred and nine:  
And the same was read the first time, and  
ordered to be read a second time upon Monday  
next.

The Order of the day being read, for the  
Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday  
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and  
Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the  
Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday  
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Election of  
Aldermen in  
Municipal  
Boroughs Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

London  
Paving  
Expenses Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Children Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Public Offices  
Sites  
(Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Prosecution of  
Offences  
(Amendment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Telegraph  
(Construction) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Post Office  
Savings Bank Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Fatal  
Accidents  
(Damages) Bill [ Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Monday next.

Divorce Law  
Amendment  
(No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Thursday next.

Local  
Authorities  
(Taxation and  
Purchase of  
Land) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time  
upon Thursday next.
The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Stockport Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Stockport Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.


Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Congestion in Ireland (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Tenth Report of the Royal Commission on Congestion in Ireland, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence taken in Counties Galway and Roscommon, from the 13th September to the 4th October 1907), and Documents relating thereto.

Standing Committees.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Returns of receipts and expenditure of the General Medical Council, and of the Branch Councils for England, Scotland, and Ireland; also Returns of receipts and expenditure of the Dental Registration Fund of the General Medical Council, for the year ending 31st December 1907.

Metropolitan Cattle Market.

Accounts of the Corporation of the City of London in respect of the Metropolitan Cattle Market for the year 1907; also an Account of extraordinary works executed, other than the general repairs, for the same period.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land Purchase Finance (Departmental Committee.)

Mr. Runciman, presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed to inquire into Irish Land Purchase Finance in connection with the provisions of the Bills, &c., for the purposes of the Irish Land Act, 1903.

Wines Imported. No. 94.

Mr. Runciman also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Wines imported.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Selection (Standing Committee.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill)—Mr. Steer; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill) Mr. Yarrell.

Standing Committee A.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill)—Mr. Secretary Gladstone and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill) Mr. Burns and Dr. Macnamara.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill; Vol. 163.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Breaches of Byelaws Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dairies Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill; (Scotland).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill; (Scotland).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant March.

Ordered, That the Lords’ Message of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords], be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Five Members be appointed to join with a Committee to be appointed by the Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships’ Message of the 19th day of this instant March, to consider the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords].

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Atherley-Jones, Mr. Geoffrey Baring, Mr. Idris, Mr. Kennedy, and Sir John Betty Lake.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.
Ordered, That the Committee of this House do meet the Lords' Committee as proposed by their Lordships.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Resolved, That it is expedient that a Select Committee of Five Members of this House be appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords to consider and inquire into the Law (1) as to Lotteries, including the sale of lottery bonds, competitions for prizes which involve an element of chance, and Advertisements relating thereto; (2) as to indecent literature and pictures, and Advertisements relating to things indecent and immoral; and to report what Amendments, if any, in the Law are necessary or desirable.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate this Resolution, and to desire their concurrence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mr. Mooney reported the Lincoln Corporation Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Mooney reported from the Committee on the Glyncorrwg Urban District Council Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by leaving out so much thereof as dealt with the portions of the Bill relating to the construction of waterworks, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to empower the Glyncorrwg Urban District Council to construct sewerage works and new roads, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee, Finchley Urban District Council Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then two minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 39.]

Monday, 23rd March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Huddersfield Water Bill [Lords].

Great Western Railway (Superannuation Scheme) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Board Bill was read the third time and passed. Colwyn Bay Joint Water Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Derby Gas Bill was read the third time Derby Gas Bill and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Rochdale Corporation Bill was read the Rochdale Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Camborne Water Bill was read a second Camborne Water Bill time, and committed.

The Herne Bay Pier Bill [Lords] was read a Herne Bay Pier Bill second time, and committed.

The Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill was read the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the South West Second Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of this instant March.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Foreign Trade and Commerce.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Major's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Report, Annual Series, No. 3964.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, by His Postal Major's Command,—Copy of Postal Agreement for an exchange of Money Orders between the Post Office of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post Office of the German Empire, dated 9th January 1908—8th February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Inverness Order, dated the 11th day of this instant March, County Council and for a Return relative to Inverness County Allotments. No. 96.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Whitbread reported the Bromley and Bromley Crays Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Whitehead, supported by Sir William Bull, Mr. Curran, Mr. Duckmester, Mr. Bertram Straus, and Mr. Mallet, presented a Bill to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, with respect to the number of Councillors: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Gulland, supported by Mr. Findlay, Mr. McCallum, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Eugen Wason, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Leif Jones, Mr. Dundas White, Mr. John Deans Hope, Mr. McKinnon Wood, Mr. Charles Roberts, and Mr. Charles Price, presented a Bill to prohibit the engagement of British Subjects for service in a Strike in a Foreign Country: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Crooks, supported by Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Curran, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Joseph Wilson, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. John Ward, Mr. Fenwick, and Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), presented a Bill to prohibit the engagement of British Subjects for service in the place of workmen locked out in a Strike in a Foreign Country: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Charles Price, supported by Mr. Steadman, Mr. Bertram Straus, Sir Alfred Thomas, Mr. Carrie Grant, Mr. Remnant, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Ferens, and Mr. Gulland, presented a Bill to secure a Weekly Rest-Day: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

The Army (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Joseph Peace) —It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Tuesday, 24th March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional provision in the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz. — Wath-upon-Dearne Urban District Council Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Motion being made, That the Stockport Corporation Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Burns, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the City of Glasgow Bill, as amended in Glasgow Bill, and ordered the same to be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do nominate Three additional Members to serve on the Police and Sanitary Committee.—(Mr. Burns.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and public read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties, as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ending 31st December 1907; together with the Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into. Part I., Returns of Accidents.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 12) Warrant, 1908, dated 12th February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee for the Tropical Diseases Research Fund for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of February last, for the Price of Coal.

No. 97.
24th March. 1908. [No. 40.]
a Return relative to the Prices of exported Coal. Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Further Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (Administrative County of Devon).
No. 98.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Select Committee on Infant Life Protection; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A: Mr. Arthur Dewar; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill) Mr. Button and Mr. Rogers.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Infant Life Protection; that they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee, Wolverhampton Corporation Bill; that in the case of the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Henry Kimber reported from the Committee on the Leeds Corporation Bill; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Henry Kimber reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Twelve o'clock.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the water limits of the Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill (Lords.)

The Interoceanic Railway of Mexico Bill (Lords.) was read the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill (Lords.) was read the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Commercial Union Assurance Company Commercial Bill (Lords.) was read the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Cooper, supported by Sir Walter Foster, Mr. Crofts, and Mr. Strutt, presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Local Government Act, 1888: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of May next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish compulsory Continuation Schools in England and Wales, and to amend the Education Acts, 1870 to 1892, in respect of the age of compulsory school attendance: And that Mr. Chioso Money, Mr. Allen, Mr. Ellis Davies, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Mallett, Mr. Masterman, Mr. Walker, and Mr. John Ward do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chioso Money accordingly presented a Bill to establish compulsory Continuation Schools in England and Wales, and to amend the Education Acts, 1870 to 1892, in respect of the age of compulsory school attendance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Licensing Bill to consolidate the Law relating to Justices' Licences for the sale of retail of intoxicating liquor: And that Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Herbert Samuel do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone accordingly presented a Bill to consolidate the Law relating to Justices' Licences for the sale of retail of intoxicating liquor: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Bill to be read a second time.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee has gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army (Annual) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee has gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That this House is of opinion that the accommodation should be provided in the House for representatives of the Foreign and Colonial Press, and that such extension of the Reporters' Gallery or such increase of room elsewhere should be made as will suffice for this purpose. —(Mr. Smeaton) — And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 14th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Calendar Reform Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trust Investment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Daylight Saving Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Bill Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts (Dublin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justice of the Peace Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Bill Spurious Sports Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace and County Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Women's Committee on the Women's Enfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women’s Disabilities Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds (Enfranchisement) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Surfacemen) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 22nd day of May next. Vol. 163.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Seaham Harbour Dock Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions. Vide Second Report.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Com- mand,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of March 1907.

No. 41.

Wednesday, 25th March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Dublin and South Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Seaham Harbour Dock Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

[No. 41.]
Explosion at Lord Ash town's Lodge, Glen shary, County Water ford.

Copies of the Reports of County Inspector Jennings, Royal Irish Constabulary, to the Police Authorities, dated 14th August 1907, 17th August 1907, and 14th September 1907, relative to the Explosion at Lord Ash town's Lodge, Glen shary, County Water ford.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Coal Exports, &c.

Mr. Loud-George presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of February last, for a Return relative to Coal Exports, &c.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mile End Old Town.

Mr. Burns presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the President of the Local Government Board on an Inquiry into the Administration of the Guardians of the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Postal Agreement (Mozambique).

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Postal Agreement for the exchange of Postal Parcels between the Post Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Post Office of the Portuguese Colony of Mozambique, dated 22nd February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post.)

Mr. Sydney Buxton also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 16) Warrant, 1908, dated 28th February 1908.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 17) Warrant, 1908, dated 7th March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Standing Committee A. Law of Distress Amendment Bill.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Law of Distress Amendment Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 101. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 101. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 175. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill, Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. Ashton reported the Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Mr. Ashton reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That Mr. Thomas Richards (Mounmouth), one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the Sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Mr. Ashton reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That Mr. Stephen Colly, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the Sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the London County Council to construct and work tramways and make a new (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Ryhme ny Railway Com pany to reconstruct their Cardiff passenger station; to make a new railway; to raise additional capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision with reference to the registration under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1907, of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society as a limited company, and the alteration of its constitution, the extension of its objects and business, and the subdivision of its shares, by substituting a memorandum and articles of association for its deed of settlement and existing laws and regulations, and for the repeal of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society's Act, 1873, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords concur with the Commons in the Resolution of this House communicated to them on Monday last, That it is expedient that a Select Committee of Five Members of this House be appointed to join with a Committee of an equal number of Lords to consider and inquire into the Law (1) as to Lotteries, including the sale of lottery bonds, competitions for prizes which involve an element of chance, and Advertisements relating thereto; (2) as to indecent literature and pictures, and Advertisements relating to things indecent and immoral; and to report what Amendments, if any, in the Law are necessary or desirable, as desired by this House.

The London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Ryhme ny Railway Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Henry Cubitt Gooch, Esquire, Member for the New Member Borough of Camberwell (Peckham Division), sworn was sworn.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Prosecution of Offences against the Revenue (Amendment) of 1893, and of any expenses that may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884—(Mr. Whiteley);

Mr. Sinclair, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Annual) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Prices in respect of billeting). Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, { Mr. Joseph Pease : } 208.

Tellers for the Mr. Ashley, Noes, { Captain Craig : } 64.

Clauses No. 4 and No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Special enlistments) — (Mr. Ashley) — brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir Frederick Banbury, Yeas, { Captain Craig : } 67.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, Noes, { Mr. Joseph Pease : } 241.

Another Clause (Amendment of Army Act, 1881, section 42) — (Mr. Ashley) — brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Ashley, Yeas, { Mr. Lambton : } 71.

Tellers for the Mr. Whiteley, Noes, { Mr. Joseph Pease : } 243.

Another Clause (Amendment of Army Act, 1881, section 136) — (Mr. Ashley) — brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of Army Act, 1881, section 137) — (Mr. Ashley) — brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of Army Act, 1881, section 44)— (Captain Craig) — brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:— Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

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Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:— The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, Consistently according to Order, read the third time and Fund (No. 1) passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Children Bill.

the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant March, That the Children Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Court of directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Probate Division Account of receipts and disbursements of the (High Court of Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland for the year ended 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill, by His Majesty's South Africa Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the recruitment of Labour in the Nyasaland Protectorate for the Transvaal and Southern Rhodesia Mines.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Scotland) of General Rules for the management of the Edinburgh District Asylum at Bangour.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Pensions (Old Age) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Housing of the Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Public Health Officers Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of May next.

Mr. Whitbread reported from the Committee Draycott Gas on the Draycott Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the First Amendment of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gardner reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Rutland, Mr. Secretary Gladstone, and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, and Mr. Birrell.

Sir William Brampton Gardner further reported Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Clancy, the Working Attorney General, Mr. William O'Brien, Mr. Healy, Mr. Neanet, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. Hayden, Mr. Harrington, Mr. Field, Mr. William Redmond, M.
Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Great Railway (General Powers) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Dartford Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Wisnaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Wisnaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill.

Mr. Burns, supported by Dr. Macnamara, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Housing of the Working Classes, to provide for the making of Town Planning Schemes, and to make further provision with respect to the appointment and duties of County Medical Officers of Health: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Ruselins presented a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1896: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Findlay, supported by Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Robert Balfour, Mr. Cross, Mr. Goddard, Mr. McCallum, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Wilkie, presented a Bill to provide for the later opening in the morning of premises licensed for the sale of excisable liquors in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Education in Scotland, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. Sinclair, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Sinclair accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Education in Scotland, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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Irish control, and is not allocated or administered in such a way as to promote efficiency in government or national well-being; that, so far from alleviating the injury inflicted on Ireland by over-taxation, this waste of her resources on certain services tends rather to aggravate it; and that this condition of affairs constitutes an intolerable grievance and demands the immediate attention of Parliament” — (Mr. Kettle), — instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Bunrims rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, {Mr. Joseph Pease} 182.
Tellers for the Viscount Valentia, Noes, {Mr. Henry Forster} 31.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant March, That the Children Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Bill; (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; (Scotland) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters’ Holdings (Scotland) Amendment Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Revolutionary Jurisdiction Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction Bill (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Restraining of the Second Reading of the Restraining of Trades (Shops) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Worship (Sites) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Law Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish National Schools (Heating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.—(Mr. Robert Pearce.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon May the 25th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Friday, 27th March 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE City of Glasgow Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Several Public Petitions were presented, an read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd-George presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of February last, for a Return relative to Workmen’s Insurance (Germany).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Urban District Council of Donaghoe under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, fixing the hours for closing certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of further Correspondence respecting Proposals by His Majesty’s Government for Reforms in Macedonia.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Revenue (Collection of Taxes).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, with Appendix.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Act, 1908.
2. Transfer of Training Colleges (Scotland) Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
3. Clyde Navigation (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Act, 1908.

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee Motherwell on the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c.; Bill; and

Ordered, The Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.” — (Mr. Patrick Whet.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Sir Frederick Banbury);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury]; Yeas, [Mr. Robert Duncan]: 26.

Tellers for the [Mr. Sloan]; Noes, [Mr. William Redmond]; 140.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Clubs Bill (Ireland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Yeas to the Right;

Noes:

[Signature]

Tellers for the [Mr. Lloyd-George]; Yeas, [Mr. Luke White]: 163.

Tellers for the [Mr. Birrell]; Noes, [Mr. Edward Grey]; 157.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

The Yeas to the Right;

Noes:

[Signature]

Tellers for the [Mr. Runciman]; Yeas, [Mr. Frederick Banbury]: 280.

Tellers for the [Mr. Sloan]; Noes, [Mr. William Redmond]; 140.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Disqualification Removal) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Sir Frederick Banbury);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Noes:

[Signature]

Tellers for the [Mr. Lloyd-George]; Yeas, [Mr. Luke White]: 163.

Tellers for the [Mr. Birrell]; Noes, [Mr. Edward Grey]; 157.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

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So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Clubs Bill (Ireland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker without a Question first put, at two minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.
Ordered, That the Great Western Railway (Supernannuation Scheme) Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Huddersfield Water Bill [Lords] be read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Civil Services Command,—Estimate of the further amount required in the year ending 31st March 1909 for Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

Ordered, That the Return relative to National Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year 1907–8 to meet excesses on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30th March 1908, authorising the temporary application of surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1907–8 to meet excesses on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House imperial Revenue and Expenditure (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1908 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242 of Session 1907.—(Mr. Joseph Peace.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1908, (1) the amount contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, to the Revenue collected by imperial officers; (2) the Expenditure on English, Scottish, and Irish Services out of such Revenue; and (3) the balances of Revenue contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, which are available for imperial Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 345 of Session 1907).—(Mr. John O'Connor.)

William John MacGeagh MacCure, Esquire, New Member of the Council of State, was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the granting of superannuation allowances to the officers and servants of the Councils of the Metropolitan Boroughs of Camberwell, Deptford, and Hackney, and for
The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill, 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) [Expenses]; 
Ordered, That the Report be received this day.
The Order of the day being read, for the Supply:

Resolved, That this House will this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Civil Mines (Eight Hours) Bill (No. 2).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Aged Pensioners Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Aged Pensioners Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 16th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Women’s Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larcomy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Polls Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ferries Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill (inland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Valuation Second Reading of the Valuation (Ireland) (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Character Second Reading of the Character Note Bill; Note Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Town Tenants Second Reading of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1867) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of this instant March, That the Breaches of Byelaws Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seven minutes after Twelve of the clock, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Tuesday, 31st March 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Edmund Robertson presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statement showing probable effect on the Programme of Shipbuilding, &c. due to the reappropriation of Cash Provision, &c. S. No. 108.

Copy of Reports of His Majesty's Astronomer at the Cape of Good Hope Observatory respecting the Director of the Admiralty, for the years 1906 and 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Navy Estimates, 1907-8 (Statement on Programme of Shipbuilding, &c.), be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Army. Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Annual Report on the British Army for the year ending 30th September 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Treaty Series Report.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the limitations imposed by Law upon Testamentary Bequests in France, Germany, Italy, Russia, and the United States of America. — (Mr. Holt.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Select Committee on the University of Cambridge, that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A: — Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland and Dr. Shipman (in respect of the Volume of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill); Mr. T. W. Russell and Sir Bill. George White.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ashton reported the North Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ashton reported the Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee. That in the case of the Leicester Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

1. That in the case of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of the Northfleet Paper Mills, Limited, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

2. That in the case of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that resolutions of the Belfast and County Down Railway Company, and of the County Council of the County of Down and the Urban District Council of Newtownards, approving of the Bill as introduced, and the deposit of Copies of the said resolutions in accordance with the requirements of the Standing Orders, are proved before the Committee on the Bill, and that, failing such proof, Clause 19 and Clauses 83 to 96 both inclusive, be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

3. That in the case of the Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Midland Junction, Evesham, Redditch, and Stratford-upon-Avon Junction, and East and West Junction Railways (Amalgamation) [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that a Clause is inserted in the Bill to the following effect, viz.: that no sale shall take place of the amalgamated undertaking without the consent of the memorialists, Charles William Bartholomew, Richard Donald Bain, and William Howard Gray, which does not provide for the payment to the said memorialists of the sum of at least £5,000 in cash in respect of the debenture stock mentioned in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with the Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Sir Henry Kimber reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That in the case of the Slough Urban District Water Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Henry Cotton, supported by Sir William Holland, Mr. Starkey, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Forshall, and Mr. Richardson, presented a Bill to provide for the holding of Fire Inquests.

And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further provision with respect to University Education in Ireland—[Mr. Birrell];

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,


Tellers for the [Mr. Moore,


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Birrell, Mr. Secretary Holdans, and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Birrell accordingly presented a Bill to Ireland make further provision with respect to University Education in Ireland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the opinion of this House, any attempt to broaden the basis of Taxation by placing small import duties on a large number of articles is opposed to all principles of sound finance, wasteful and uncomonomical as regards collection, disturbing and harmful to industry and commerce, would tend to raise the price of all the taxed articles to consumers, and, in practice, would lead to the imposition of high tariffs of the same character as those in force in protected countries—[Mr. Mond];

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley,

Yea, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 280.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acind-


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Nurses Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pharmacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Justices of the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Forces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Spurious Sports Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.
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The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Public Libraries Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Conveyancing
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.

Crofters' Holdings
(Scotland) Amendment
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings
(Scotland) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 8th day of April next.

Places of Worship
(Sites) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Places of Worship
(Sites) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday the 14th day of April next.

Places of Worship
(Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Places of Worship
(Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday the 14th day of April next.

Rabbies on Commons
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

Exportation of
Horses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Friday next.

Coal Mines
(Eight Hours for Winding
Engineers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours
for Winding Engineers) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Settled Land
Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.

Death
Certificates
(Charges) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Death Certificates
(Charges) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

Handloom
Weaving
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Handloom Weaving
(Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 5th day of April next.

Employment
of British
Subjects
Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Employment of British
Subjects Abroad Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

Larceny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
on the 9th March.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 46.]

Wednesday, 1st April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into considera

tion the Dartford Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3965 and 3966.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fiftieth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland, for the year 1907.

Copy of Report of the Crofters Commission for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum in reference to the Port of London Bill.—(Mr. Lloyd-George.)

Mr. Lloyd-George accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Incest Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Lawrence Hardy to be Chairman of Standing Committee B, and Mr. John William Wilson to be Chairman of Standing Committee C.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That leave be given to the Chairmen's Panel to make a Special Report.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had agreed to the following Special Report;—That the Chairmen's Panel do make a Special Report, recommending that Standing Orders 47 and 62 should be amended so as to provide that it should not be necessary for Proceedings on a Standing Committee to be suspended in consequence of the absence of a quorum, except upon the Chairman's notice being called thereto by a Member of the Committee, or where, on a Division being taken, it appears that less than a quorum of the Committee are present.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Chairmen's Panel be printed.

Sir William Brompton Garden reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A;—Mr. Carlile and Sir Francis Lowe; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill) Viscount Morpeth and Sir Philip Magnus.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills; That in the case of the Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to alter the constitution of the Ashton-under-Lyne, Stalybridge, and Dukinfield (District) Urban District Council Bill [Lords].
Waterworks Joint Committee, and to make the Audenshaw Urban District Council a combining authority; and to make further and better provision with regard to the improvement, health, local government, and finance of the Urban District of Audenshaw, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Corporation of Merthyr Tydfil to construct street works and to provide recreation grounds; and to make further and better provision with regard to the health, improvement, and good government of the borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Llanelli Gas Bill [Lords.]

The Llanelli Gas Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Llanelly Gas Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out from “1884” to the word “shall,” in l. 7. —(Mr. Claude Hay.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:
Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Sir Frederick Banbury):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, ] 292. [Mr. Herbert Lewis:]
Tellers for the [Mr. Claude Hay, Noes, ] 71. [Sir Frederick Banbury:]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out from the word “appoint” to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words “with the sanction of the Treasury, one assistant director.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, ] 294. [Mr. Herbert Lewis:]
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, ] 65. [Mr. George Faber:]

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Costs in Criminal Cases Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of March last, That the Children Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the interests of truth and justice require a full public inquiry upon oath into all the circumstances connected with the Explosion at Lord Ashtown’s Shooting Lodge at Glenahery on the 14th August last, including the subsequent attempt made to incite a number of the inhabitants of the County of Galway to commit an outrage upon Woodlawn Church on 31st August last—(Mr. Hectiland-Burke);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 6, by inserting, after the word “last,” the words “including the action of the police authorities, and all the circumstances connected with the preparation, contents, and circulation of the police reports, and of the statement of the 11th September 1907 signed by District Inspector Preston relating thereto, and,”—(Mr. Moore.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Denelman, Yeas, ] 110. [Mr. Patrick O’Brien:]
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, ] 137. [Mr. Herbert Lewis:]

So it passed in the Negative.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Bakehouses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voters (Qualification and Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restraint of Trades (Shops) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Women's Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Ferries (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Lotteries and Advertisements, the first part of the Message from the Lords of the 25th day of March last concurring with the Commons, in their Resolution relating to the appointment of a Joint Committee on Lotteries and Advertisements.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Five Members be appointed to join with a Committee to be appointed by the Lords to inquire into the Law—

(1) as to Lotteries, including the sale of lottery bonds, competitions for prizes which involve an element of chance, and Advertisements relating thereto;

(2) as to indecent literature and pictures, and Advertisements relating to things indecent or immoral;

and to report what Amendments, if any, in the Law are necessary or desirable.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Beckett, Mr. Herbert Craig, Mr. Hastings Duncen, Mr. O'Malley, and Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson were nominated Members of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Children, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of the moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons.—(Mr. Joseph Pease);

Mr. Sydney Buxton, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[No. 47.]

Thursday, 2nd April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Bromley and Crays Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Glyncorrwg Urban District Council Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Lincoln Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That Mr. Munro Ferguson be added to the Committee of Selection.—(Sir William Brampton Gurdon.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bancroft presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract Account of the receipts and payments of the Treasury Solicitor, in the year ended 31st December 1907, in the administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown under the authority of the Treasury Solicitor Act, 1876; and alphabetical list of Intestates' Estates in respect of which letters of administration were granted to the Treasury Solicitor as Crown's Nominee; and of other cases (partial intestacies, &c.) in which accounts were opened in the books of the Treasury Solicitor in the same year in respect of moneys received by him as Crown's Nominee.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 30th March 1908, declaring that Mr. George Samuel Newth, Lecture Assistant, Normal School of Science, Board of Education, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Crown's Nominee Account be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Report, Annual Series, No. 3967.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance No. XXIV. (Aberdeen, No. 2) (Regulations for Degrees in Arts).

Copy of University Court Ordinance No. XXV. (Aberdeen, No. 3) (Regulations as to Bursaries, &c.).

Copy of Abstract of Accounts of the University of Glasgow for the year ending 30th September 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
The Deputy Chairman reported the Dover Graving Docks Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Louth and East Coast Railway (Transfer) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Knott End Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported the Harrow Bay Pier Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Colonel Seely reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Five Members to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider and inquire into the Law as to Lotteries and Advertisements, and propose that the Joint Committee do meet in the Chairman of Committees' Committee Room on Tuesday next, at Three of the clock.

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Mr. Clancy, Member for Dublin County Adjournment (North Division), rose in his place and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the action of Steamers of the Government in compelling, under threats of force, the removal of the Mail Steamers from the Carlisle Pier, Kingstown, at a time when the trial of a Petition of Right is actually pending in the High Court of Justice in England to try the very question of the legality of such removal; and the pleasue of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Mr. Cleland, supported by Mr. Walker, Mr. Trade Disputes Parker, Mr. Whitwell Wilson, Mr. Findlay, Mr. Bill. 187.

Dariel, Mr. William Jones, and Mr. T. P. O'Conner, presented a Bill to promote arbitration in Trade Disputes; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Cleland, supported by Mr. Bonar Law, Bankruptcy Mr. Watt, Mr. Dundas White, Mr. Menzies, (Scotland) Mr. M'Callum, and Mr. Charles Price, presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Bankruptcy Laws of Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Hodges, supported by Mr. Bruce, Mr. Vivisection Magheroran, Mr. Leyton, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Collins, Mr. Parker, Mr. John Wilson, Mr. Thorne, and Mr. John Johnson, presented a Bill to provide for the total abolition of Vivisection: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Dickinson, supported by Viscount Mor- Mr. Madison, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. path, Mr. Maddison, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. Roundells, Mr. Fletcher, and Mr. Vivian, presented a Bill to amend the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Burns, supported by Dr. Macnamara, Public Health presented a Bill to make the provisions of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1875, with respect to the provision and regulation of Markets, applicable in Rural Districts; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the improvement and better administration of the Port of London, and for purposes incidental thereto: And that Mr. Lloyd-George, Mr. Burns, Mr. Buxton, Mr. Harcourt, and Mr. Kearley do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Lloyd-George accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the improvement and better administration of the Port of London, and for purposes incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read the first time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House Chairman of the unavoidable absence, owing to illness, of the Chairman of Ways and Means, from this day's Sitting.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

Class I.

1. £473,000 to complete the sum for the Customs, Inland Revenue, Post Office, and Post Office Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices abroad, including Furniture, Fuel, and sundry Miscellaneous Services.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £342,900 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £342,400 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Frederick Banbury):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £52,400 (including a supplementary sum of £13,000) be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, for expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £52,500 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Hicks Beach.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Hicks Beach, 
Mr. Gibbs;

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Whiteley, 
Mr. Joseph Pease:

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And it being after a quarter past Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Clancy):—And the said Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Postponed proceeding on Question, That a sum not exceeding £52,400 (including a supplementary sum of £13,000) be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, for expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad, resumed.

Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £52,200 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Thomas Corbett.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Frederick Banbury, 
Mr. Ashley;

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Whiteley, 
Mr. Joseph Pease:

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Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £52,200 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Goulding.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Frederick Banbury, 
Mr. Joseph Pease:

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Whiteley,

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Original Question again proposed:

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Chairman proceeded to interrupt the Business:

Whereupon Mr. Harcourt rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Frederick Banbury, 
Mr. Joseph Pease:

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Whiteley,

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Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to,

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prosecution of Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences—(Amendment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ways and Means Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops and Buildings (Fire) (Scotland) Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Tuesday next, at Three of the clock, as proposed by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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[No. 48.]

Friday, 3rd April 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

H B Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Selection Committee B, Children Bill.

Sir William Brompton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Children Bill):—Sir Maurice Levy; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): Mr. Wedgwood.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Port of London Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. Lloyd-George.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Ireland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Yeas] (Mr. Herbert Lewis);

Viscount Valentia: 35.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley, Noes]

Viscount Helmstedt: 45.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ballot Act Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker without a Question first put, at twenty-five minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 49.]

Monday, 6th April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills originating in the Lords, and referred on previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been compiled with, viz.:

Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Bill [Lords].

Pontypool Water Bill [Lords].

Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords].

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill [Lords].

Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords].

North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Kinsale Writ to the Clerk of the Crown, to make County Writ, 1908.
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Kincardine, in the room of John William Croumbie, Esquire, deceased. (Mr. Whiteley.)

The Dartford Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Herne Bay Pier Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Draycott Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Gosport Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Leeds Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wishaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill [Lords.] be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant April.

Ordered, That the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords.] be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant April.

Ordered, That the London United Tramways and Improvements Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords.] be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant April.

Ordered, That the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Rhymney Railway Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Correspondence relating to the arrangement made in 1889 for the acceleration of the Irish Day Mail Service and the revision of the same in the present year. Copy of Correspondence relating to the use of Kingstown Harbour by the Vessels of the London and North Western Railway Company.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the superintendence of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Treasury Minutes under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that the undermentioned persons were appointed to the offices set against their names without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the heads of their Departments, viz.:

George G. Bishop, Lad, Royal Gun Factory, Woolwich.

Samuel Shannon, Artificer, Royal Small Arms Factory, Enfield.

Account of all moneys received on account of contracts for the grant of deferred Life Annuities, and for payments on death, and of the disposal thereof; and of the contracts made during the year ended 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Government Insurances and Annuities be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Rules under the Irish Land Purchase Acts, dated 28th March 1908, supplemental to and amending the Rules dated the 16th March 1897, 19th March 1900, 17th May 1901, 14th March 1902, and (Provisional Rules) 4th December 1903.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Morley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the use for Presbyterait Services of Garrison Churches in India which have been consecrated for the Services of the Church of England.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of approximate Estimate of expenditure, for the year 1908-9, under the Military Works Acts of 1897, 1899, 1901, and 1903.
The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on Nature Study and the Teaching of Science in Scottish Schools.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Orders made upon the 2nd day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill, and that the said Return do lie upon the Table and be printed, were severally read and discharged.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, notwithstanding any adjournment of the House, till the adjournment for the Easter Recess.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till Tuesday the 14th day of this instant April. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till the 14th day of this instant April.

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Tuesday, 14th April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, that in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Llanelli Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of April, That in the case of the following Bill the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Port of London Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

The Order of the day being read, for the South West Suburban Water Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Port and Docks Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of May next.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 29, 128, and Private Bills, 230 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions and Memorials against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Documents relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, also for depositing at the Private Bill Office all Documents relating to any Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, be extended to the first day on which the House shall sit after the Recess.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

A Petition of the Sligo and Arigna Railway Company, praying that provision may be made in the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill granting further powers to the Company with respect to an agreement with the Midland Great Western of Ireland Railway Company, and enabling them to make three further pieces of railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, presented by Command of His Majesty during the Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Kearley presented, pursuant to the direction of a Life Assurance Companies. — Copy of a Report on the State of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Statements of Accounts and of Life Assurance Companies and Annuity Business, and Abstracts of Actuarial Reports, deposited with the Board of Trade under the Life Assurance Companies Act, 1870, during the year ended 31st December 1907.

Copy of draft Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, altering the exemptions in the Second Schedule to the Act, by adding thereto Sailing Yachts not registered in the British Islands which come into territorial waters adjacent to the United Kingdom with the sole object of taking part in Yacht Racing.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Life Assurance Companies be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Irish Land Command, — Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of April 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Morley presented, pursuant to a direction of an Act of Parliament,— (Loans raised in England under the provision of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended the 31st March 1908, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of termination of each Loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Board of Education, — Copy of a Statement showing the cases in which the Board of Education have received applications from Local Education Authorities for Special Grants for the building of new Public Elementary Schools, and the stage which each case had reached on 31st March 1908.


Copy of Regulations for the preliminary Education, Training, and Certification of Teachers for various grades of Schools, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and the Papers relative to the University of Saint Andrews be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, — Account of deposits in Naval Savings Banks, and the payments thereof, and of interest thereon; of all investments under the Naval Savings Banks Act, 1866, and the application of the interest or dividends accruing in respect thereof; and of the proceeds of any sale of any stocks, annuities, or securities, during the financial year 1906–7. Vol. 163.
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late Majesty for the purpose of facilitating the raising of a Loan by the Government of Greece, and of the sums paid in or towards the repayment of any money so issued.

Account, up to the 31st March 1908, showing the total sums issued from the Consolidated Fund, pursuant to the Egyptian Loan Act, 1885, in respect of the Annuity of £315,000 which was guaranteed by Her late Majesty for the purpose of facilitating the raising of a Loan by the Government of Egypt, and of the sums paid in or towards the repayment of any money so issued.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:— Accounts of receipts and payments by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in respect of the capital and income of the Irish Land Purchase Fund, for the year ended 31st March 1907; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Dewsbury, in the room of Walter Runciman, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of President of the Board of Education.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Manchester (North West Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of President of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Metropolitan Electric Tramways, Limited, to construct a new tramway and widen certain streets and roads, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] to increase and regulate the capital of the Argentine North Eastern Railway Company; Limited, and to fund the arrears of dividend on its preferred stock by the issue of fully paid stock, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Argentine Act to provide for the granting of superannuation allowances to the officers and servants of the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Saint Marylebone, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Argentine Act to provide for the granting of superannuation allowances to the officers and servants of the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Saint Marylebone, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Sheffield (Central Division), in the room of Colonel Sir Charles Edward Howard Vincent, K.C.M.G., G.B., deceased.—(Mr. Henry Forster.)

A Message was delivered by Thomas Darcey Royal Asst. Butler, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Army (Annual) Act, 1908.
2. Herne Bay Pier Act, 1908.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Tramways a Return of Street and Road Tramways and Light Railways authorised by Act or Order, showing the amount of capital authorised, paid up, and expended; the length of line authorised, and the length open for public traffic down to
the 31st day of December 1907 in respect of companies, and the 31st day of March 1908 in respect of local authorities; the gross receipts, working expenditure, net receipts, and appropriation of net receipts; the number of passengers conveyed, the number of miles run by cars, and the quantity of electrical energy used during the year ended on the foregoing dates respectively; together with the number of horses, engines, and cars at those dates (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 301 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Lloyd-George.)

The Order made upon the 26th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the following particulars with respect to town councils, other urban districts, and metropolitan borough councils in England and Wales which have contracted loans on the security of any rate or rates; that is to say, (a) area of district; (b) population according to the last census; (c) rateable and assessable value according to the last valuation list; (d) rates made in the district during the last preceding financial year; (e) the sum of the balances of outstanding loans contracted by the local authority; and (f) the amount of the outstanding loans to which the limitation of section 234 of the Public Health Act, 1875, applies, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the following particulars with respect to town councils, other urban districts, and metropolitan borough councils in England and Wales which have contracted loans on the security of any rate or rates; that is to say, (a) area of district; (b) population according to the last census; (c) rateable and assessable value of district; (d) rates in the powers of the principal rates raised in the year 1905-6 by, or for the purposes of, each council; (e) the outstanding balance, at the end of the year 1905-6, of loans contracted by, or repayable by, each council, distinguishing between (1) loans for waterworks, gasworks, electric lighting, tramways, markets, or harbours, docks, &c., and (2) loans for other purposes; and (f) amounts remaining in the sinking funds, loans funds, and redemption funds of each council at the end of the year 1905-6.—(Mr. Henry Forster.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amounts voted for law charges and criminal prosecutions in Ireland in each financial year from 1881 to 1907-8, both inclusive, distinguishing original from supplementary votes, and showing also the audited expenditure in each year, so far as practicable, and the amount surrendered to the Exchequer at the end of each year, with notes explanatory of any new charges to the vote in the period mentioned.—(Mr. Long.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Children Bill)—Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Whittredge, and Mr. Mond; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill) Mr. Bransden, Mr. Finane, and Mr. Percy Barlow.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Selby reported the Manchester Corporation Bill, with amendments. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee; That in the case of the Margate Corporation Bill they had agreed to the following report:

That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 18th day of February last, the Committee have inserted the additional provision there referred to.

Mr. Corrie Grant further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee; That in the case of the Widnes Corporation Bill they had agreed to the following report:

That, pursuant to the Instruction of the House of the 5th day of March last, the Committee have struck out from the Bill all clauses dealing with milk supply other than the model Bill clauses.

Mr. Corrie Grant further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till Adjournment, Monday, the 27th day of this instant April.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday the 27th day of this instant April.

[No. 51.]

Monday, 27th April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Draycott Gas Bill was read the third time Draycott and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Gosport Gas Bill was read the third time Gosport and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Humber Commercial Railway and Dock Humber Commercial Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Leeds Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
The Leicester Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c. Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the North Eastern Railway Bill be now read the third time,

Mr. Whiteley, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Wishaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dundalk Urban District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Pontypridd Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London United Tramways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France respecting Death Duties, signed at London, 15th November 1907. Ratifications exchanged at London, 9th December 1907.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3972 to 3974 and 3977.

Copy of Correspondence with His Majesty’s Ambassador at Berlin respecting a Declaration by the Governments of Great Britain, Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, and Sweden on the subject of the maintenance of the status quo in the Territories bordering upon the North Sea.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return under section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887, of Eviction Notices filed during the quarter ended 31st March 1908.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Manual of Procedure in the Public Business of the House of Commons, 1906. [Second Edition.]

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Wolverhampton (East Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Hartley Fowler, O.C.S.I., who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty’s Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Notice taken of the Death, on Wednesday last, of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, O.C.B., Member for the Stirling District of Burghs:

Rouled, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Asquith.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Three of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 28th April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

1. Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation) Bill [Lords].
2. Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords].
3. Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords].
4. Skegness Urban District Council Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Motion being made, That the Blaydon and Skysand and Ryton Water (Transfer) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Whiteley, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Knott End Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Louth and East Coast Railway (Transfer) Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London United Tramways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Montrose District of Burghs, in the room of the Right Honourable John Morley, O.M., who, since his Election for the said District of Burghs, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty’s Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account, prepared in pursuance of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883, showing the receipts and expenditure on account of Bankruptcy proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1908.

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Account showing the receipts and expenditure on account of Proceedings under the Companies (Winding Up) Act, 1890, during the year ended 31st March 1908.

Copy of Report of the Arklow Harbour Commissioners for the year 1907; and a Statement of Accounts for the same period.

Copy of Regulations made by the Treasury under the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1907, dated 14th April 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Bankruptcy Act, 1893 (Proceedings), and the Companies (Winding Up) Act, 1896, be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Act of Sederunt anent procedure in Appeals under sections 5 and 30 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of May 1907.

Mr. Birrell also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of February last, for a Return relative to Drunkenness (Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions (Ireland).

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Municipal Council of the City of Dublin under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, fixing the hours for closing certain classes of Shops within the city.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts showing the sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police and Police Pension Funds during the year ending 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Return of the Volunteer Corps of Great Britain for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—General Report of the Proceedings of the Conservators of the River Thames during the year ended 31st December 1907, with a Statement of the Accounts of the Conservators for that year.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the Fleets of Great Britain and Foreign Countries, viz., France, Russia, Germany, Italy, United States of America, and Japan on the 31st day of March 1908, distinguishing Battleships, built and building; Cruisers, built and building; Coast Defence Vessels, built and building; Torpedo Vessels, Torpedo Boat Destroyers, Torpedo Boats, and Submarines, built and building; Return to show Date of Launch, Date of Completion, Displacement, Horse-Power, and Armaments, reduced to one common scale (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 184 of Session 1907).—(Sir Charles Dilke.)

The Right Honourable Walter Runciman, New Member for the Borough of Dewsbury, was sworn.

James Fitzalan Hope, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Sheffield (Central Division), was sworn.

Henry William Edward Peto-Fitzmaurice, Esquire (commonly called the Earl of Kerry), Member for the County of Derby (Western Division), was sworn.

Mr. Rendall, supported by Mr. Hicks Beach, Public Health, Mr. Howard, Mr. Abel Smith, and Mr. Rogers, presented a Bill to provide for the better regulation of Home Industries: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Haslam, supported by Six Thomas Roe, Engines and Boilers; Mr. Bowe and Mr. William Edmund Hervey (Persons in Charge of Markets) presented a Bill to grant Certificates to persons in charge of Steam and Motor Engines, Boilers, (No. 2) Bill, and Steam and Motor Cranes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Lord Robert Cecil, supported by Mr. Shackleton, New-born Children: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Barnes, supported by Mr. Keir Hardie, Home Work: Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Cleland, Bill, Mr. Reay, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Seddon, and Mr. Younger, presented a Bill to provide for the better regulation of Home Industries: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane, supported by Mr. Army Council Acland, presented a Bill to transfer to the Army Council certain statutory powers and duties of the Secretary of State and other officers, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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The Select Committee on the Daylight Saving Bill was nominated of Mr. Harris-Broadley, Saving Bill; Mr. Holt, Mr. Buxton, Sir Walter Nogent, Mr. Robert Pearse, Captain Poiré, Colonel Philippe, Mr. Thomas Frederick Richards, and Sir Edward Sassoon.
Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Whitely.)

**Licensing Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House declines to proceed further with a measure which, while failing to promote the cause of temperance, violates the principles of equity"—(Mr. Case),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Long):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

**Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Education (Scotland) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Irish Universities Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Universities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Supply [2nd April] Report.**

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant April;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee. Vol. 163.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prosecution of Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing, Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Committee on Children [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Port of Second Reading of the Port of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Valuation Second Reading of the Valuation (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Military Training Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Sites) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Refranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Primogeniture Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec Abolition (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factors Act (1889) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cruelty to Animals Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Electoral Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish National Schools (Heating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation of the People Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trust Investment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Elections Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen’s Compensation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Libraries Bill;
The Order of the day being read, for the Exportation of
Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses (Horses Bill
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Inquest Bill
into consideration the Inquest Bill, as amended
in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration upon Friday the 26th day of June
next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs’
adjourned Debate on the Question proposed
upon the 26th day of February last, That the
Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second
time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned
till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale at
Second Reading of the Sale of Whisky Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 6th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Infant Life
Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 6th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education
Second Reading of the Education (Providing of
Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education
Second Reading of the Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Super-
Second Reading of the Police Superannuation
annuation (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Bill
Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts
Courts (Dublin) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 7th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise
Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks
Marks (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 7th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Nurses
Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pharmacy
Second Reading of the Pharmacy Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 7th day of May next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voters (Qualification and Registration) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs (Injuries to Persons) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 27th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Scotland) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Justices of the Peace (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Spurious Sports Bill; Sports Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon the 19th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hours of Labour (Bakerhouses) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Classes Acts Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed the 11th day of March last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Thursday the 7th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Calendar Reform Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Character Note Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1907) Amendment (Ireland) Act;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Character Note Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Peace and County Councils Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of May next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of May next.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Surfacemen) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Law Amendment (No. 2) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 18th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ballot Act (1872) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Waste Lands (Ireland) Improvement Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of May next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 53.]

Wednesday, 29th April 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The London United Tramways Bill was ordered, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Mr. Masterman, supported by Mr. Burns, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the Boroughs of Bushey, Hanley, Longton, and Stoke-upon-Trent, and the Urban Districts of Ponton and Tunstall: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Masterman, supported by Mr. Burns, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Birkenhead—Nor. Bill. breck, Caldy Manor, Carmarthens, Fleetwood, Halesowen, Haswell, Lowestoft (Amendment), Lymington (Extension), Portsmouth (Amendment), Southampton (Amendment), and Woking (Extension): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Kearley presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Birkenhead—Nor. Bill. breck, Caldy Manor, Carmarthens, Fleetwood, Halesowen, Haswell, Lowestoft (Amendment), Lymington (Extension), Portsmouth (Amendment), Southampton (Amendment), and Woking (Extension): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

A Bill to regulate the expenditure of money London by the London County Council on capital account during the current financial period and the raising of money to meet such expenditure, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.}

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by William Atkinson and J. Dyer Lewis, His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines, upon the circumstances attending an Explosion of Coal Dust at Dinas Main Colliery on 14th December 1907.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pur-p Shop Hours suant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1904.

—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County Borough of Croydon under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within a certain part of the borough.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report, by His Majesty's Chief Inspector on the Schools in the Western Division of Scotland for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the amounts of British Government Securities held by the several Government Departments and other Public Offices on the 31st day of March 1908, specifying whether held in England or Ireland (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 159 of Session 1907):—

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—(Mr. Hobhouse.)
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Order that there be laid before this House a Copy of Account of receipts and expenditure of the National Physical Laboratory, with Balance Sheet, for the year 1907.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was put:—

Is the time come for an Education Bill, impartial and searching inquiry into the scope, character, and methods of Education in India.—(Mr. Laidlow.)—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Food and Drugs Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Aged Pensioners Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th days of February last, and the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 30th, and 31st days of March last, and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 14th days of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Cathcart Wason accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the closing of existing Whaling Stations during the summer herring fishing, and to prohibit Whaling Stations being established in the future on any part of the shores of Great Britain and Ireland: And that Mr. Catheart Wason, Mr. Gwynn, Mr. Leicester Harmsworth, Dr. Ambrose, Mr. Weir, Mr. O’Malley, Mr. Morton, Mr. Hugh Law, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Ainsworth do prepare and bring it in.

The Order for taking into consideration, upon Monday next, the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 3rd day of July next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the closing of existing Whaling Stations during the summer herring fishing, and to prohibit Whaling Stations being established in the future on any part of the shores of Great Britain and Ireland: And that Mr. Catheart Wason, Mr. Gwynn, Mr. Leicester Harmsworth, Dr. Ambrose, Mr. Weir, Mr. O’Malley, Mr. Morton, Mr. Hugh Law, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Ainsworth do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Catheart Wason accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the closing of existing Whaling Stations during the summer herring fishing, and to prohibit Whaling Stations being established in the future on any part of the shores of Great Britain and Ireland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Education Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read and discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election and Registration (London) Bill;

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order for taking into consideration, upon Monday next, the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 3rd day of July next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the closing of existing Whaling Stations during the summer herring fishing, and to prohibit Whaling Stations being established in the future on any part of the shores of Great Britain and Ireland: And that Mr. Catheart Wason, Mr. Gwynn, Mr. Leicester Harmsworth, Dr. Ambrose, Mr. Weir, Mr. O’Malley, Mr. Morton, Mr. Hugh Law, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Ainsworth do prepare and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marrow Women's Property Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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from the Exchequer in respect of funded and unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Six William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had added to Standing Committee A the following fifteen Members (in respect of the Coroners' Inquests Bill):—Sir Frederick Bache, Viscount Helmsley, Mr. Fitzalan Hope, Sir Edward Boyle, Mr. Higham, Mr. Luke White, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Toulmin, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Ewers, Mr. Augustine Roch, Mr. John Ward, Mr. Edmund Lamb, and Mr. Charles Duncan.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Sir Robert Peel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—The Lord Advocate; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Parker; and had reinstated Mr. Austin Taylor.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Children Bill):—Sir Joseph Leese and Mr. Llewellyn Williams; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): Mr. Ramsay Macdonald and Mr. Leif Jones.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill):—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill): Mr. Solicitor General.

Six William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee C the following fifteen Members (in respect of the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill):—Captain Morrison-Bell, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Beverley, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Lardner, Mr. John Williams, Mr. Bolton, Mr. Herbert, Mr. King, Mr. Ernest Lamb, Mr. Armitage, Mr. Markham, Mr. Hogg Duncan, and Mr. Ellis Davies.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Cheshire Lines Committee Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Great Western Railway (Superannuation Scheme) Bill (Lords), with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Huddersfield Water Bill (Lords), without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Copyhold Tuesday next, the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.

Mr. Wodehouse presented a Bill to consolidate Education and amend the Education Acts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Jowett presented a Bill to prohibit Factory and employment between Noon on Saturday and Six O'clock on Monday morning, in cotton, woollen, worsted, flax, hemp, silk, jute, and paper Factories, and in bleaching and dyeing Works: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Licence Business of the House of Commons and in the House of Lords, in the Session now in progress, be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Licensing Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 28th day of this instant April, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Licensing Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House declines to proceed further with a measure which, while failing to promote the cause of temperance, violates the principles of equity,"—(Mr. Case),—instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRA YERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Widnes Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Llanelly Gas Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-first Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools, for 1907. Part L, List of Schools and detailed Reports.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of the Viceregal Commission on Irish Railways.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of the Viceregal Commission on Irish Railways.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." — (Mr. Harry Marks.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Sir Charles Dilke rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Seddon, 
Yea, (Mr. Scott : ] 197.

Tellers for the [Mr. Harry Marks, 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

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Tellers for the [Mr. Seddon, 
Yea, (Mr. Scott : ] 190.

Tellers for the [Mr. Harry Marks, 
Noe, ] 45.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Herbert Samuel);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
Yea, (Captain Norton : ] 139.

Tellers for the [Mr. Claude Hay, 
Noe, ] 23.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Transfer of Powers of Standing Joint Committee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Payment of Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors Bill; Juries Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fire Inquests Second Reading of the Fire Inquests Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs' Protection Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Report of Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return relating to the transfer of Licences for the sale of Intoxicating Liquor to be consumed on the premises in England and Wales, showing for every licensing district the number of applications under section 4 and section 14 of the Alehouses Act, 1828, granted in respect of full or Alehouse Licences and of other on-Licences during the year ended the 31st day of December 1907; and, in cases where the same Licence was so transferred more than once during that period, the number of times any Licence was so transferred.—(Mr. Charles Roberts.)

Sir William Brampton Gardon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Secretary Gladstone, and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill); Mr. Birrell, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 56.]
Monday, 4th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, that in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.,

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Margate Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Manchester Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Skegness Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill (Lords); Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of Dundee, in the room of the Right Honourable Edmund Robertson, K.C., who, since his Election for the said burgh, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chilterns Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Stirling District of Burghs, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, G.C.B., deceased.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.


Mr. Birrell also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of February last, for a Return relative to Deaths from Alcohol (Ireland).
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixty-ninth Records of Law Acts, the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883–91, and the Land Purchase Acts, during the month of January 1898.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report by the Chief Inspector of the Southern Division of Scotland for the year 1907.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of Proceedings under the Acts relating to Sea Fisheries for the year 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Kearley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return, in pursuance of section 4 of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1889, of Railway Servants of certain classes who were, on one or more occasions during the month of January 1908, on duty on the Railways of the United Kingdom for more than twelve hours at a time; or who, after being on duty more than twelve hours, were allowed to resume work with less than nine hours' rest.

Mr. Kearley also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Proceedings of the Board of Trade under the Light Railways Act, 1896, up to the 31st December 1907, and of the Proceedings of the Light Railway Commissioners up to the same date.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Light Railways Act, 1896, be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid to the 31st December 1907, and of the Proceedings under “the Acts relating to Sea Fisheries for the year 1906.

No. 134. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 134. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 208. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

The Municipal Representation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairman's Panel, That they had discharged Mr. Eugene Wason from being Chairman of Standing Committee A, and had appointed Sir Francis Channing to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A in his place.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley further reported; That they had discharged Mr. Edward Strachey from being Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, and had appointed Mr. William Holman to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in his place.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Walsh, supported by Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Glover, Mr. Wadsorth, Dr. Pollard, Mr. Vol. 163.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Universities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Children [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals Bill;
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill;
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of this instant May.

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not previously inquired into, and which are
applicable thereto, have been complied with,
viz.—

Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report
from one of the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills. That in the case of the following
Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no
Standing Orders are applicable, viz.—

Local Government Provisional Orders
(No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report
from one of the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills. That in the case of the following
Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the
Standing Orders which are applicable thereto
have been complied with, viz.—

Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the
Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report
from one of the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills. That in the case of the Petition
for additional provision in the following Bill
the Standing Orders have not been complied
with, viz.—

Honourable Artillery Company Bill
[Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the
Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into considera-
tion the Great Western Railway (Superannua-
tion Scheme) Bill [Lords], as amended in the
Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Edinburgh Corporation (Tramways, &c.)
Order Confirmation Bill was, according to
Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration to-morrow.

The Metropolitan Police Provisional Order
Bill was, according to Order, read a second
time, and committed.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a
Provisional Order under the Private Legislation
Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to
Leith Harbour and Docks; and the same was
ordered (under section 7 of the Act) to be taken
into consideration upon Thursday next.

Sir Edward Strachey presented a Bill to con-
firm a Provisional Order under the Land
Drainage Act, 1891, in the matter of a proposed
drainage district in the Parishes of Blundeston,
Flixton, and Oulton, in the County of Suffolk;
and the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the
Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and
be printed.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Loch Leven
Provisional Order under the Private Legislation
Order Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to
Loch Leven Water; and the same was read
the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of
the Act) to be read a second time upon Wed-
nesday the 13th day of this instant May; and
to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports
His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and
Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 3976 and
3990 to 3996.

Copy of Accession of the Colony of Trinidad Treaty Series
and Tobago to the Industrial Property Con-
vention of 1883, as modified by the additional
Act of 1900, 14th May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of
Command,—Copy of Regulations for the Pre-
liminary Education of Elementary School
Teachers:

(1) Pupil Teacher Regulations;

(2) Bursary Regulations;

(3) Student Teacher Regulations;

in force from 1st August 1908 in Wales and
Monmouthshire.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Naval
and directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy
marine Pay and Pensions of Orders in Council, dated 9th April 1895,
under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions
Act, 1865, praying sanction to the grant of
(1) Ultimate Allowance to Officers and Men of
His Majesty's Navy or Royal Marines for
service in the Chins Rivers; (2) Messing
Allowance to Sub-Lieutenants in command of
Torpedo Boats and other small vessels.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 9th April Territorial and
1908, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces
Reserve Forces Act, 1907, for transferring (1) certain Units of
the Volunteer Army Medical Corps to the
Territorial Force; (2) certain Battalions of the
Militia to the Army Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant Shop Hours
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Act, 1904.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the
Borough of Dewsbury under the Shop Hours
Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of
State for the Home Department, fixing the
hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Luke White reported the Tyne Improve-
ment Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table; and be printed.
Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Wath-upon-Dearne Urban District Council Gas Bill [Lords], Petition for additional provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties have leave to insert the additional provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

2. That in the case of the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2), Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

3. That in the case of the Pontypridd Water Bill [Lords], Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 126 in the case of the Petition of N. B. Allen and Company against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

Mr. Lloyd Morgan, supported by Mr. Eugene Wason, Mr. Atherley-Jones, Mr. Abel Thomas, Mr. Maddison, and Mr. Hay Morgan, presented a Bill to abolish the punishment of Flogging in all cases where the offender's age exceeds sixteen years; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Mr. Charles Craig, supported by Captain Craig, Mr. Londale, Mr. Barrie, and Mr. Clark, presented a Bill to provide for the better Education of Afflicted Children in Ireland; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Mr. Luttrell presented a Bill to prohibit the hunting, coursing, and shooting of Animals which have been kept in confinement: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Sir Charles M'Laren be discharged from the Select Committee on Debts (Imprisonment).

Ordered, That Mr. Stephen Collins be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The Education (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, the Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Children [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses that may be incurred and of any contributions that may be made under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons.—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Port of London Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply, Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Offices Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing, Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Vivisection Second Reading of the Vivisection (Abolition) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment (Markets) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Eight Hours for Winding Engineers) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant May.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Voters (Qualification and Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restraint of Trades (Shops) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds (Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Surfacemen) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Aged Pensioners Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Larceny Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs' Protection Bill; the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Orders (No. 2) Government

Prisons.

Labourers

Bankruptcy

Military

Irish Land

Local Government

Bill.

Alcohol

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Deaths from

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Edinburgh

Bill.

Bill.

Field, made by the Secretary of State for War.

No. 135.

Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Deaths from Alcohol (Ireland) No. 135. be printed.

That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

That there be laid before this House a Return showing—

(a) The number of cottages and allotments provided under the Labourers Acts by each district council in Ireland;

(b) The rents reserved in letting under the Acts;

(c) The number of cottages and allotments unoccupied within each district council area;

(d) The number of cottages or allotments the rent whereof is in arrear, and the total amount of such arrears within said areas;

(e) The number of cottages applied for in each rural district under the last completed scheme under the Labourers Acts, together with the number of applications for extra half-acres to cottages already built under the said scheme, the number of applications for cottages and extra half-acres sanctioned, the amount of the official, legal, engineering, clerical, and other expenses incurred in connection with the preparation and confirmation of every such scheme and the particulars thereof; and

(f) The number of cases where advances have been made under section 2 of the Irish Land Act, 1903, as amended by the Labourers (Ireland) Act, 1906, to agricultural labourers.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Abstract Account of the receipts and payments of the King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in Scotland, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1907, in the administration of Estates and Treasure Trove on behalf of the Crown:—And of alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as Ultimus Heires in Scotland, administered by the King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, in the same year.—(Mr. O'Shaughnessy.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from Selection the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. McKenna, Mr. Acland, Committee A. and Mr. Laugh; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Education (Local Authorities) Bill): Mr. Runciman, Mr. McKinnon Wood, and Mr. Walker.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Married Women's Property Bill):—Mr. Hicks Beach, Mr. Stovel-Clyde, Mr. Lane-Fox, Mr. Arkwright, Mr. Mickleth, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Glendinning, Mr. Hertford, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Hugh Laws, Mr. William Johnson, Mr. Lupton, Mr. Dunn, and Colonel Iron Phillips.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Children Bill):—Sir Henry Birkbeck, Mr. Kimber and Mr. Courthouse; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): Mr. Stovel-Clyde and Mr. Guinness.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Scottish from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Education (Scotland) Bill):—Mr. Ramsay of Edinburgh, Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), Mr. Beatty, Mr. Boland, Mr. Jeremiah Mac Veagh, Sir William Anson, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Haldane, the Earl of Ronaldshay, Mr. Lambton, Mr. Henry Gooch, Mr. James Hope, Mr. William Jones, Sir Frederick Banbury, and Sir Edward Sassoon.

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Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

New-born Children (Protection) Bill.

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Ordered, That the Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the New-born Children (Protection) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for extending and varying the powers of the Great Western Railway Company in respect of certain authorised railways and works, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dogs (Exemption) Bill.

Mr. Ellis Griffith, supported by Colonel Sandys, Sir Francis Channing, Mr. Field, Mr. Townshend, Mr. Weir, Mr. MacNeill, Mr. Clement Edwards, Mr. Crooks, and Mr. Sloan, presented a Bill to exempt Dogs from painful operations; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Crocery to Ashlar (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. Ellis Griffith, supported by Mr. Clement Edwards, Mr. MacNeill, Mr. Crooks, and Mr. Weir, presented a Bill to empower a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to dispose of Dogs which have been ill-treated: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Port of London Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.—And a Debate arising thereupon; And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Question be now put; The House divided.

The Yeas were:

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 183.

Tellers for the Noses, [Mr. Morton, Mr. Steadman : ] 18.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put; Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.—(Mr. Kearley.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Kearley.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 20th day of March last, That the Breaches of Byelaws Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 18th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Copy of List of Persons to be proposed under the Irish Universities Bill for nomination as Members of the First Governing Body of the College to have its seat in Dublin.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, an Annual Account of the Sea and Coast Fisheries Fund (Ireland) (Non-congregated Districts) for the year ending 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statement of Revenues and Expenditure as laid before the House by the First Lord of the Treasury when opening the Budget.

Mr. Hobhouse accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of all sentences of Corporal Punishment inflicted under 26 & 27 Vict. c. 44, upon persons convicted of offences under section 43 of the Larceny Act, 1861, and sections of the Offences against the Person Act, 1861, in England and Wales, from the 31st day of December 1906 to the 31st day of December 1907 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 224 of Session 1897).—(Mr. Lloyd Morgan.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Naval Expenditure of each of the principal Naval Powers, showing their total estimated Naval Expenditure in each of the last ten years, their Expenditure in each of the years named on new construction, including armament, and the amount of their new construction in each of those years expressed in tonnage. —(Mr. Thomasson.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Camborne Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ryhymney Railway Bill [Lords]; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, consistent with the provisions of the Bill as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Interocceanic Railway of Mexico Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords], with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

George Bence Thorne, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Wolverhampton (East Division), was sworn.
Irish Tobacco.

3. Resolved, That there shall be charged, on and after the first day of January nine hundred and ninety, on tobacco grown in Ireland, the following Excise duties, namely:

- Upon tobacco, manufactured, namely:
  - per lb. 1s. 6d.
  - per kg. 10s.

- Upon tobacco, unmanufactured, namely:
  - per lb. 1s. 6d.
  - per kg. 10s.

- Tobacco containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof
  - per lb. 2s.

and there shall be charged, on and after the same date, on a licence to be taken out annually by every person growing, cultivating, or curing tobacco in Ireland, an Excise duty of five shillings.—(Mr. Asquith.)

Amendment of Law.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue.—(Mr. Asquith.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next;

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Committee on Children [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Offices Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing, Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Borough Second Reading of the Borough Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Bill Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts (Dublin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pharmacy Second Reading of the Pharmacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Small the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Holdings Bill, upon the 11th day of March last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Death Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Malicious Second Reading of the Malicious Injuries Injuries (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolida-

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May,
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, — Return to an National Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for a Return relative to the National Physical Laboratory.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Hop Industry, Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Eversley to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on the Hop Industry: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Sir William Collins.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Law Second Reading of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." — (Mr. Lansdale.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

Mr. John Redmond rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

The Yeas, 1 Mr. John Redmond; Patrick O'Brien;[Viscount Valentia]: J

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Noes, 1 Viscount Acland-Hood.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Patrick O'Brien); 209.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Tellers for the Noes, (Sir Alexander Acland-Hood); 76.

The Noes to the Left.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Yeas, 1 Mr. Patrick O'Brien; 201.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Sir Alexander Acland-Hood); 77.

The Noes, (Viscount Valentia).

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Noes to the Left.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Long); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions (Lords) for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.—

Great Western Railway Bill [Lords].

Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company Bill [Lords].

Swansea Valley Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Provisional Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.—

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Newry, Keady, and Tyman Railway Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Huddersfield Water Bill [Lords], was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order for taking into consideration the Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to the former Committee.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Interoceanic Railway of Mexico Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Committee).

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Southwell District Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Tyne Improvement Bill, Tyne as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Edinburgh Corporation (Tramways, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Durham, altering the Polling Place for the Morson Grange Polling District, in the Houghton-le-Spring Parliamentary Division.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the National Debt Act, 1883, dated 6th May 1908, for the adjustment of the Terminable Annuities created under the Finance Act, 1889, and held by the National Debt Commissioners on account of the Trustees and Post Office Savings Banks.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Copy of further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of South Eastern Europe (in continuation of Turkey, No. 1, 1907).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanen presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Committee on East Indian Railway Finance and Administration for 1907.

Mr. Buchanen also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of India for 1907-8, compared with the Results of 1906-7.

Copy of Finance and Revenue Accounts of the Government of India for 1906-7.
Mr. Thorne, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Cheap Trains for the working classes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Children [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses that may be incurred and of any contributions that may be made under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons.—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 3, to leave out from the word "incurred" to the word "under."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 264.\]
Tellers for the \[Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, \{Mr. Lansdale : \} 48.\]

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 4, to leave out from the first word "of" to the word "to," in l. 4, in order to insert the words "the Bill now in Committee"—(Captain Craig), instead thereof.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 266.\]
Tellers for the \[Captain Craig, Noes, \{Mr. Ashley : \} 56.\]

Main Question again proposed:—Debate arising:

Mr. Herbert Samuel rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 268.\]
Tellers for the \[Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, \{Captain Craig : \} 52.\]

Question put accordingly.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 266.\]
Tellers for the \[Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, \{Captain Craig : \} 35.\]

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses that may be incurred and of any contributions that may be made under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the protection of Children and Young Persons.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Second Reading of the Irish Universities Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House refuses to take any step which would tend to increase the strength of denominational interests in any branch of education in Ireland, believing that the interests of truth and the welfare of the nation demand the maintenance of an entirely free atmosphere, particularly in the region of higher education, and that this cannot be secured on a denominational basis, and therefore declines to proceed further with the measure."—(Mr. Alfred Hutton), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 352.\]
Tellers for the \[Mr. Hutton, Noes, \{Dr. Hazel : \} 38.\]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business: Whereupon Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 329.\]
Tellers for the \[Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, \{Captain Craig : \} 49.\]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Yeas, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 344.\]
Tellers for the \[Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, \{Captain Craig : \} 31.\]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Sir Edward Carson); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \[Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Yeas, \{Viscount Valentia : \} 50.\]
Tellers for the \[Mr. Whiteley, Noes, \{Mr. Joseph Pease : \} 311.\]

So it passed in the Negative.
The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill;
Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant May.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trust Investment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Lands (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Women's Enfranchisement Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 25th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs Second Reading of the Dogs (Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poor Law Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 62.]

Tuesday, 12th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Cheshire Lines Committee Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tyne Improvement Bill, Improvement Bill as amended in the Committee;

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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Taff Vale Railway Bill.

The Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme under the Metropolitan Com- mune Orders (No. 3) Bill, 1898, to the Metropolitan Commission for the County of Green, in the County of Surrey: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 128, —Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Metropolitan District Railway Bill [Lords], and the objects thereof.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tenth Report to the Secretary for Scotland of the Congested Districts (Scotland) Board, under the Congested Districts (Scotland) Act, 1897.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland of all his Proceedings under the Ireland Development Grant Act, 1903, for the year ended 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement in illustration of the Memorandum on the Financial Proposals in connection with the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council of the 5th May 1908 under the Naval and Military Pay and Pensions Act, 1885, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to the payment of an allowance to Assistant Printers employed in the Office of any Commander in Chief.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Command,—Copy of Eleventh Report of the Royal Commission on Congestion in Ireland, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence taken in London, 22nd to 24th January 1908, and Documents relating thereto).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,— Estimate of the further sums required to be voted in the year ending 31st March 1909, for Stationery and Printing.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by International Order, a Bill to confirm the British Delegate to the International Sugar Commission upon a Special Session, called to No. 3, 1908, consider an Application from the Italian Government, on 29th March 1908.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports Annual Series, Nos. 3989 to 3991.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Exportation of Horses Bill be not read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Moscow had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for transferring to the University of London the powers and duties of King's College, London, in relation to Instruction of a university standard in subjects comprised within the faculties in the University other than the Faculty of Theology, and for other matters connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Murray Macdonald, supported by Mr. Home-letting Cross, Mr. Cleland, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Charles price, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Utttland, Mr. Watt, Mr. Smeaton, Mr. Younger, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Mr. Robert Duncane, presented a Bill to amend the Law as to the letting and rating of Houses in Scotland, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, that the Proceedings on the Housing, Town Planning, &c, Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted: The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Whitelaw Yeas: Mr. Joseph Pease: 272.

Tellers for the Viscount Valentia: Noes, Mr. Pke Pease: 64.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House is of opinion that no measure dealing with the housing question can be carried out satisfactorily which does not as a preliminary provide for the valuation of land apart from buildings, and until power is given to the local authorities to purchase land compulsorily at such ascertained value."—(Mr. Hart-Davies), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Children [Expenses] Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Children [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords.];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill for Whaling (Scotland) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill for the Abolition of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill for the Abolition of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill for the Abolition of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The House was moved, That the Message from the Lords of the 7th day of this instant May, which communicates to the House the following Resolution, That it is desirable that the Companys (Consolidation) Bill and the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, to which Resolution the Lords desire the concurrence of this House, might be read; and the same being read;

The House proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 7th day of this instant May, on the subject of the Companys (Consolidation) Bill and the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider every Report made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries certifying the expediency of any Provisional Order for the enclosure or regulation of a Common, and presented to the House during the last or present Session, before a Bill is brought in for the confirmation of such Order.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power, in respect of each such Provisional Order, to inquire and report to the House whether the same should be confirmed by Parliament; and, if so, whether with or without modification; and in the event of their being of opinion that the same should not be confirmed, except subject to modifications, to report such modifications accordingly, with a view to such Provisional Order being remitted to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twelve Members, Seven to be nominated by the House and Five by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Irish Universities Bill C.

[No. 63.]

Wednesday, 13th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. [Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.]

London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Derby Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Derby Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Loch Leven Water Power Order Confirmation Bill.

The Loch Leven Water Power Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Masterman, supported by Mr. Burns, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Aberavenny, Newport, Newton Abbot, Stockport, and Waterloo-with-Seaford, and the Wirral Joint Hospital District: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order made by the Urban District Council of Llanelli under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations made by the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland for Continuation Classes, providing further instruction for those who have left school, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance No. 149.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland to the Urban County District of Larne.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 1905, 3976, 3979, 3988, and 3993 to 3995.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Selection Committee; That they had discharged the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Layland-Barrett reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section B); That in the case of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill they had agreed to the following Report:

That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 5th day of March last, the Committee have struck out Part II. of the Bill.

Mr. Layland-Barrett further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill [Title to make sanitary provisions applicable to the Administrative County of London; to amend the London Building Act, 1884; to confer powers upon the London County Council and the Councils of certain Metropolitan Boroughs; to make provisions with respect to the drainage of parts of the Metropolitan Borough of Hackney.]
and the Urban Districts of Tottenham and Willesden, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Blackburn Corporation Bill they had agreed to the following Report:

That the Committee have given effect to the Instruction given by the House on the Second Reading of the Bill by striking out of the Bill all Clauses relating to milk supply which are not in conformity with the Model Clauses sanctioned by the House.

Mr. Corrie Grant further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the City of Glasgow Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Western Railway (Superannuation Scheme) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the time for the completion of certain works by the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company; to authorise certain street works in the Borough of Worthing, and to confer certain powers upon the Corporation of Worthing with reference thereto, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Ffrench, supported by Mr. Clancy, the Marquess of Hamilton, Mr. James O'Conor, Mr. John Gordon, Mr. Lardner, Mr. Kettle, and Mr. Moore, presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of Deputy Coroner's in counties and boroughs in Ireland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease : ]; 265.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. George Fisher : ]; 38.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House and Two by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill presented Five clear days before the meeting of the Committee be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents be heard against the Bill, and Counsel or Agents heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Harcourt.)
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Children [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 7th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Rest-Day Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant May.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That this House, recognizing signs of a growing opinion on the part of the self-governing Colonies of South Africa in favour of safeguarding the rights and future of the Natives in any scheme of political unification or federation, expresses its confidence that His Majesty's Government will welcome the adoption of provisions calculated to render possible the ultimate inclusion of the whole of British South Africa in federal union.—(Mr. Allen.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 29th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant May.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Sale of Whisky Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Whisky Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Absent Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Absent Voters Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Coroners’ Inquests (Railway Fatalities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners’ Inquests (Railway Fatalities) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant May.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant May.

Luggage (Definition) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Luggage (Definition) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dogs (Exemption) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs (Exemption) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant May.

Dogs Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Exportation of Horses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Rabbits on Commons Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the day of the day being read, for the Poor Law Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Port of London Bill do consist of Five Members, London Bill to be joined with a like number of Lords.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to appoint them therewith, and to request that their Lordships will be pleased to appoint an equal number of Lords to be joined with the Members of this House: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Select Committee was nominated of Mr. Ashley, Sir William Bull, Mr. Russell Roe, Sir Albert Spicer, and Mr. Williamson.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill presented on or before the 25th day of May 1908 be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses be heard against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed Police Forces to inquire and report whether, having regard to the conditions of service in Police Forces in the United Kingdom, it is desirable that provision should be made, by legislation or otherwise, for granting to every constable one full day off duty in each week, or whether, with any other alteration in the conditions of service and police administration should accompany this change; what would be the cost, and how it should be borne so as not to increase the charge on imperial funds.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Armitage, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Hedges, Mr. Herbert Lewis, Colonel Lockwood, Mr. Nunnnett, Mr. William Priestley, and Mr. Rogers.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

A Motion being made, That this House will, Public Offices to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses, so far as not otherwise provided for, incurred by the Commissioners of Works under any Act of the present Session to provide for the acquisition of land for the extension of certain Public Offices in Westminster and of the Patent Office, and for certain other public purposes—(Mr. Joseph Pease); Mr. Churchill, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Irish to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of remuneration, expenses, and other sums in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make further
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District Gas Bill, and desire their concurrence. Having been informed of the subject-matter of the Petition, acquainted the House that His Majesty, in Ireland—(Mr. Churchill, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Thursday, 14th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill (No. 2). Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Intercolonial Railway of Mexico Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Southwell District Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Camborne Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Port and Docks Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant May.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Lower Thames Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

A Petition of the there-undersigned persons, Holderness promoters of the Holderness Water Bill, praying that provision may be made in the Bill authorizing the County Council of the East Riding of the County of York to create Water Districts and to constitute Water Committees, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports Annual Series, Nos. 3997 and 3998.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the estimated position, as regards capital expenditure, of the several Railways and Irrigation Works under construction in India on the 31st day of March 1908, and the proposed expenditure thereon during 1908-9 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 150 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Robert Price.)

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 1st day of June next; and be printed.

Robert Vernon Harcourt, Esquire, Member New Member for the Montrose District of Burghs, was sworn.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Selection Committee that had charged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill) — Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill) — Mr. Birrell, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland.
Standing Committee A.

Mr. Layland-Barratt reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Layland-Barratt reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Skegness Urban District Council Bill [Lords] they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Garw and Ogmore Gas (recommitted) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Fishguard and Rosslare Harbours Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the North East London Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Honoria Hurly with Major Maurice Randall Hurly, a Major in the 93rd Burma Infantry, her now husband, and to enable her to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Hurly's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Forrest, supported by Mr. Hasell Davies, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Gray Wilson, Mr. Lake White, and Mr. Stanley Wilson, presented a Bill to require payments from the Port Sanitary Authorities (Port of London) into the Consolidated Fund (Superannuation) Bill 230, the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

In the Committee.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, and Supplementary Estimate, 1908-9.

Class II.

1. £5 (supplementary sum) for Stationery, Printing, &c., including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.
2. £405,212 to complete the sum for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service; for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office; and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

Class I.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £355,000 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., in respect of Government Property, and for Rates on Houses occupied by Representatives of Foreign Powers, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department, and for a Contribution towards the Expenses of the London Fire Brigade: Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions. (Sir Frederick Handbury.)

The Committee divided. Tellers for the [Mr. Fell;]
Yea, [Mr. Cross;] 28.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease;]
Noes, [Captain Norton;] 199.
Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class II.

4. £35 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

5. £8,420 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

Class VI.

6. £338 to complete the sum for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances.

Class II.

7. £33,178 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions. Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to acquaint the House that he was directed to take into consideration the Post Office Savings Bank Bill (Standing Committee C), and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill) the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill):—Mr. Cullinan, Sir Frederick Dixon-Hartland, and Lord Willoughby de Eresby; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill):—Mr. Dyson, Mr. Gordon, and the Marquess of Hamilton.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Joseph Pease)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.
Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A. (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill):

—Mr. McKillop; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill):

Mr. Kavanagh.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House-lenting (Scotland) Bill; 

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. James Masen.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Lord Robert Cecil);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, ] 61. Yeas, [Mr. Evelyn Cecil; ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Trevelyan; ] 177. Noes, [Mr. Arthur Dewar ; ]

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Second Reading of the Ballot (Transferable Vote) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ecclesiastical the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Disorder Bill, upon the 14th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Ecclesiastical Disorder Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 29th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hypothenuse Second Reading of the Hypothenuse Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Foreign Second Reading of the Foreign TrawlersRegulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawlers’ Second Reading of the Trawlers’ Certificates Suspension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Transfer of Powers of Standing Joint Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Highways Second Reading of the Highways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Sir Frederick Banbury);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, ] 61. Yeas, [Mr. Evelyn Cecil; ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Trevelyan; ] 177. Noes, [Mr. Arthur Dewar ; ]

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House-letting (Scotland) Bill (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Protection of Dogs' (Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds (Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of [2nd April]
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Medical Officers (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Offices Committee on Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bills (Expenses);
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the the Irish Committee on Irish Universities (Expenses);
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shops Bill, Committee on the Shops Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Elections) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds (Enfranchisement) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Elections) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Second Reading of the Industrial Schools Bill; Schools Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.
Mr. Nussey reported from the Committee on the Doncaster Corporation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had also amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Doncaster to construct a new road, a light railway, and other works within the borough, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then twenty-nine minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 66.]

**Monday, 18th May 1908.**

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

**Prayers.**

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

King’s College, London (Transfer) Bill [Lords].

London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional provision in the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Holderness Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The Camborne Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Bill [Lords] was read the third time and, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North East London Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Great Western Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The London County Council (Money) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Swansea Valley Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ards and Banger Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Loch Leven Water Power Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That so much of Standing Order 91 Standing as fixes Five as the quorum of the Select Committee on Standing Orders be read and suspended.

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Session, Three be the quorum of the Committee. (Mr. Ellice.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vote of Credit.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and Fourth and read; and referred to a Select Committee.
Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report upon the Operation of the Acts dealing with Congestion in Ireland, with Appendices (Index to and Digest of Evidence).

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, by the Council of the Borough of Darlington, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, — Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 14th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to East India (Railways and Irrigation Works).

Mr. Buchanan also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement exhibiting the Moral and Material Progress and Condition of India during the year 1906–7. Forty-third Number.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Tables of the Dublin Metropolitan Police for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Inland Post Amendment (No. 10) Warrant, 1908, dated 26th April 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties, as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ending 31st December 1907; together with the Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into. Part II., Reports on Accidents.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Account of the Fee Fund of the House of Lords from 1st April 1907 to 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefits Act, 1860, for effecting an Union of the Benefits of Saint Luke, Chariton, with Saint Paul, Chariton.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Return showing, for each financial year commencing the 1st day of April from 1875 to 1908, inclusive—

1. The total amount of dead-weight Debt outstanding on the 1st day of April; the amounts which were made available in the year for reduction of Debt, distinguishing the sums expressly provided for service of the Debt, the Old Sinking Fund, and Miscellaneous Receipts; the gross amount of Debt redeemed, the amount of Debt created, and the net increase or decrease of Debt in the year;

II. A similar Statement in respect of other capital Liabilities.

III. A similar Statement in respect of the aggregate gross Liabilities of the State.

(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Mr. Hobhouse accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Beverley Stanier, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of Salop (Northern or Newport Division), was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Messengers have been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the closing of Shops and the re-opening of Street Trading on Sundays; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to Small Holdings and Allotments in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Monument to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

(Resolved.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that His Majesty will give directions that a Monument be erected in the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, to the memory of the late Right Honourable Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by this House of the eminent services rendered by him to the country in the Parliament and in great Offices of State, and to assure His Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(Mr. Asquith.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.”—(Lord Balcarres.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question.—And a Debate arising thereupon ;

No. 145.

East India
(Railways and Irrigation Works.)

No. 144.

East India
(Progress and Condition.)

No. 145.

Dublin
Metropolitan
Police.

Post Office
(Inland Post.)

Railway
Accidents.

Fee Fund
(House of
Lords.)

Union of
Benefits Act
(Saint Luke,
Chariton, with
Saint Paul,
Chariton.)

National Debt
No. 146.

Vol. 163.
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Licensing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army Council Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords).—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Children (Expenses.)—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Ways and Means of the 7th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 14th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Offices (Extension) [Expenses].

(The Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses, so far as not otherwise provided for, incurred by the Commissioners of Works under any Act of the present Session to provide for the acquisition of land for the extension of certain Public Offices in Westminster and of the Patent Office, and for certain other public purposes.—(Mr. Harcourt.) To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses]; Universities [Expenses.]—Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Military Training Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Clerks of the Peace and County Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Divorce Law Second Reading of the Divorce Law Amendment (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Merchandise Marks Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

Payment of Jurors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

Fire Inquests Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fire Inquests Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Crofters’ Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters’ Holdings (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Cruelty to Animals Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of June next.

Education Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill; Vol. 163.
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Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Attorney General
Divorce Bills, for Ireland, Sir John Kennaway, Sir Joseph
Lecce, Mr. Solicitor General, Sir David Bryan
Jones, Sir Edmond Carson, Mr. Cave, and Mr.
Solicitor General for Ireland were nominated
Members of the Select Committee on Divorce
Bills.—(Secretary Sir Edward Grey.)

The Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill
Land Drainage
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders
Local Government
(No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second
time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders
Local Government
(No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second
time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
A Public Petition was also presented, and
referred to a Select Committee.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's
Railway Command, — Copy of Return relating to the
Railways of the United Kingdom for the year
1907 (Preliminary Statement).

Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of
the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries
(Foreign Countries and British
Possessions.)
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Aliens Act,
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Annual 1906.
Report of His Majesty's Inspector under the
Aliens Act (Part I.), and a Statement with
respect of the year 1907.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, — Corporal
Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated
the 7th day of this instant May, for a Return
relative to Corporal Punishment.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Navy
Command,—Copy of Report by the Hydro-
grapher of the Admiralty of the work performed
under the direction of the Lords Commissioners
of the Admiralty during the year 1907, in
the examination and charting of the Seas and
Coasts in various parts of the Globe.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports
His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic
and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 9996.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

A Motion being made, That this House will,
not to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to
consider of authorising the Secretary of State in
Council of India to raise money in the United
Kingdom, on the security of the Revenues of
India, for the construction, extension, and equip-
ment of Railways in India by State agency or
through the agency of companies, and for the
construction of Irrigation Works—(Secretary
Sir Edward Grey);
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the (Amendment) Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Charles Dunca be dis- charged from the Select Committee on Police Forces (Weekly Rest-Day).

Ordered, That Mr. William Edwin Harvey be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Abers-Douglas, Mr. Lewis Harcourt, and Public Offices Members of the Sites Select Committee on the Public Offices Site Bill. (Extension) Bill.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Carr-Gomm, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Winfrey, Commons.

Mr. Lardner, Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, Mr. Hicks Bosch, and Mr. Arkwright were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Commons.

—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Asquith reported from the Committee on Monument to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying that His Majesty will give directions that a Monument be erected in the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, to the memory of the late Right Honourable Sir Henry Campbell - Bannerman, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by this House of the eminent services rendered by him to the country in Parliament and in great Offices of State, and to assure His Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 18th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, to add the words “upon this day six months”—(Lord Balcarres); and the Question being again proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Bill (Rural Districts) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents to-Malt (Damages) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Secretary Sir Edward Grey, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Casualties.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return specifying, for each year from 1901 to 1907, both inclusive, every Accident and Casualty occurring to any of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels during manœuvres or tactical exercises ordered by the Admiralty, under the following heads: date of casualty, station, ship, tonnage, complement, nature of casualty, number of lives lost.—(Mr. Bowles.)

Standing Committee A.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Ferries (Ireland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 148.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 231.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill, Petition for additional provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert the additional provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2.)

2. That in the case of the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2), Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Private Bills (Group F.)

Mr. Nussey reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Pontypidd Water Bill [Lords] had stated that the evidence of Frank Trehearn James, Solicitor, of Merthyr Tydfil, was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Frank Trehearn James do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Ordered, That Frank Trehearn James do attend the Committee on Group F of Private Bills to-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Thames River Steamboat Service Act, 1904, with respect to the tolls, rates, and charges at the piers and landing-places of the London County Council on the River Thames, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Thames River Steamboat Service Act, 1904 (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Education (Provision and Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Estimates of the Urban District Councils (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Parsees Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Police Act Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time,
The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Reserve of the Restrains of Trade (Shops) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Reserve of the Restrains of Trade (Shops) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 28th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Reserve of the Restrains of Trade (Shops) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Relief of Aged Pensioners Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Relief of Aged Pensioners Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

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Larceny Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Health Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Vehicles Lights on (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vehicles Lights on (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Police Superannuation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Rabbis on Commons Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbis on Commons Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.

Ballot (Transferable Vote) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ballot (Transferable Vote) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

Hypothec Abolition (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec Abolition (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.

Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee); Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dairies (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Shops Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Shops Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Weekly Rest-Day Vote Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prohibition of Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Infant Life Protection Bill; Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the powers possessed by Civil Authorities to obtain Military Aid in the suppression of Disturbance, and to consider whether those powers ought to be subjected to any and what modification or restriction; (2) further to inquire into the duties and responsibilities now attaching to Military Officers in these cases, and to consider whether it is expedient that those duties and responsibilities should be further defined.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Frederick Banbury, Mr. Chance, Mr. Curran, Mr. Deslin, Mr. Lambton, Mr. Lamon, Mr. Poulton, Mr. Albert Stanley, and Mr. Middlebrook.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 68.]

Wednesday, 20th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill; Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.
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Mr. Atherley-Jones reported from the Select Committee of which he was a member, that the Committee had ordered to bring in a Bill to amend the National Debt Act 1894, for raising or providing money for the purpose of the national debt.

Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the Select Committee that they had examined the petitions presented upon the 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th days of April last, and the first and fourth days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That the report be read a second time upon Saturday the 29th day of this instant May.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a message had been brought from the Lords by one of their clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Rochdale Corporation Bill, with amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company Bill (Lords), without any amendment thereon.

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, viz., That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Miall, supported by Mr. Long, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, and Mr. John Redmond, presented a Bill to amend the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Act, 1891: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the question being on National Flag, proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the due display of the National Flag on certain occasions in Great Britain and Ireland, more particularly on Empire Day—(Captain Craig); and the Motion being opposed, after a brief debate, the House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question, That the Motion do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Forster, 88.]

The House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question in pursuance of Standing Order No. 11. The House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question, That the Motion do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, 156.]

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was made by the House, the following were proposed to be made to the Question, That the

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment of an annual sum of the Consolidated Fund, to the Local Taxation Account, and of increased allowances to Assessors of Taxes, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and of authorising the application of the surplus of income over expenditure for the year ending the 31st day of March 1908—(Mr. Hobbhouse):

Mr. McKenna, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving Ways and Means of the 7th day of this instant May; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant May; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of April last; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Offices Committee on Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; [Expenses]; Report.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses]; Report.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, No speech by a member, other than a member of the government, made in the House shall exceed one half-hour in duration, except with the leave of the House granted without a negative voice, and that no speech made in Committee of the whole House shall, subject to the same qualification, exceed a quarter of an hour; that, at the close of the said period of one half-hour or a quarter of an hour respectively, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, as the case may be, do take the pleasure of the House whether the Member shall be allowed to proceed; and that this Resolution be a Standing Order of the House—(Mr. Rees):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen's Second Reading of the Workmen's Eviction (Trade Disputes) Bill; Report.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Places of Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill; Report.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Infant Life Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection Bill; Report.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant May.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Malicious Injuries (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroner's (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Whisky Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Absent Voters Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Association of Port Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Resolution into consideration, That the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill be amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 26th day of February last, That the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill be amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 26th day of February next, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 69.]

Thursday, 21st May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill be now read the third time;

Secretary Sir Edward Grey, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport
of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit. Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The North East London Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The North East London Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power Bill be recommitted to the former Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power to reconsider their decision on the Preamble of the Bill as reported by them to the House, except in so far as the same relates to the City of Dublin, the Urban District of Rathmines and Rathgar, the Urban District of Pembroke, and King's County. (Mr. John O'Connor)

Divorce Bills. The Order made upon the 19th day of this instant May, That Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Sir John Kenmawee, Sir Joseph Leese, Mr. Solicitor General, Sir David Brynmor Jones, Sir Edward Carson, Mr. Carr, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland be nominated Members of the Select Committee on Divorce Bills, was read and discharged. (Mr. Joseph Pease.)

A Bill to further extend the time limited for the purchase of lands and for the construction and completion of the tramways and works authorized by the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Act, 1903; to provide for the transfer to the Corporation of Nottingham of certain of the powers of that Act; to authorize the Corporation Agricultural Holdings in Ireland, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report and Statistics for the year 1907. Part I. District Statistics. Statistics of the persons employed, output, and Accidents at Mines and Quarries in the United Kingdom, arranged according to Inspection Districts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings in Ireland which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the number of Tenancies determined, in the quarter ended 31st March 1908.

Mr. Birrell also presented.—Return to an Magistrates Order, dated the 2nd day of March last, for a (Ireland.) Return relative to Magistrates (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Light Command,—Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the London United Tramways (Light Railway Extensions) Order, 1904 (London United Tramways Light Railways (Extension of Time) Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Wolverhampton and Cannock Chase Railway Act, 1901, and the Wolverhampton and Cannock Chase Railway (Light Railway Order, 1907, in reference to the fund deposited in respect of the application for the Act of 1901, and otherwise (Wolverhampton and Cannock Chase Railway (Light Railway Amendment Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed and by the Board of Trade, amending the Clacton-on-Sea and Saint Osyth Light Railway Order, 1904, for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of the railway and works by the Order authorised and for other purposes (Clacton-on-Sea and Saint Osyth Light Railway (Extension of Time) Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Light Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, amending the Campbeltown and Machrihanish Light Railway Order, 1905, by increasing borrowing powers, and for other purposes, (Campbeltown and Machrihanish Light Railway Amendment Order, 1908).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to Commons Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report under the Commons Act, 1876, by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries upon an application for a Provisional Order for the regulation of Towny Trawen Common, in the Parishes of Llandahangel-yn-bowyn Lichbylled, and Llanfaelog, in the County of Anglesey.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the advance, out of the Consolidated Fund, of any sum necessary to meet any deficiency in the Fund of the Supreme Court in Ireland under any Act of the present Session to provide further facilities for the erection of Houses for the Working Classes in cities and towns in Ireland.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer).

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled: An Act to amend the Law relating to County Courts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee of consisting of Five Lords to join with a Committee of this House to consider the Port of London Bill (pursuant to Message of this House); the Lords propose that the said Joint Committee do meet on Wednesday next in Committee Room A, at Three of the clock; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir William Brompton Gordon reported from Selection Committee of that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Brougham; and had Committee A appointed in substitution: Mr. Stanier.

Sir William Brompton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill) :—Mr. Younger, Mr. Arthur Bigland, Mr. James Mason, Viscount Bill. Sir William Brompton Gordon further reported Standing Committee C, the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill) :—Mr. Waddington, who had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill) : Mr. Clancy.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Captain Waring, supported by Mr. Williamson Poor Law and Mr. James Murray, presented a Bill to amend the Poor Law to simplify the mode of raising the assessment for the Poor in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Contemplated of proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Contemplation of Court—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland) ; And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 11.

And the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That: Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Birtwell, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Attorney General for Ireland accordingly Contemplated of presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Contemplation of Court Bill. And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Supply Committee of.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

Class III.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £160,078 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day
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of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Irish Land Commission:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £160,978 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. John Roche.)

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tyne Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Postponed proceeding on Question proposed on consideration of Question, That a sum not exceeding £160,978 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Irish Land Commission;

Which Question was, That a sum not exceeding £160,978 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. John Roche).—receded.

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £160,978 be granted for the said Service:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class II.

£120,978 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquaintsed the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Local Committee on Local Taxation, National Debt, and Assessors [Payments];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railways Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Nurses Second Reading of the Nurses Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Representation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Civil Bill Second Reading of the Civil Bill Courts Courts (Dublin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pharmacy Second Reading of the Pharmacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation and Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish National Schools Second Reading of the Irish National Schools (Heating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of Second Reading of the Housing of Working Class Acts (Consolidation) Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) (Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs Second Reading of the Dogs (Exemption) Bill (Exemption) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Amendment Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That so much of the Message from the Lords of this day as relates to the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on the Port of London Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take that part of the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed by this House to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords on the Port of London Bill do meet the Lords' Committee in Committee Room A on Wednesday next, at Three of the clock, as proposed by their Lordships.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House hath directed the Select Committee appointed by this House to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords on the Port of London Bill to meet the Committee appointed by their Lordships in Committee Room A on Wednesday next, at Three of the clock, as proposed by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill was read Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill be now read the third time;

And notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. Eugene Watson, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation) Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Doncaster Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Masterman, supported by Mr. Burns, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Barry, Bradford (Yorkes), and Sutton-in-Ashfield: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were also presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented and read; and referred to a Select Committee.
Ordered, That the Return relative to Magistrates (Ireland), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant May, be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment under the University of London Act, 1898, of Statutes 4, 26, 120, and 127 of the Statutes of the University of London, and of Statute 11 of the Statutes for the management of University College, London.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the consumption of Opium in Ceylon.

Colonel Seely also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of additional Rules made for the government of the Prison in Saint Vincent.

Copy of Prison Rule abolishing the punishment of cutting the hair of Female Prisoners in Grenada.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Thirty-fifth Annual Report by the Accountant for Scotland to the Scotch Education Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to the Land Registry.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic (Local Option) (Scotland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Eugene Wason: ] 189.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, Mr. James Mason: ] 72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Sinclair);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Padiham Urban District Council Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Nussey reported from the Committee on the South West Suburban Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by them, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Nussey reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills; That in the case of the Pontypridd Water Bill [Lords] (Standing Orders) the evidence of Frederick E. Jacob, Mining Engineer, of Aberavon, Glamorganshire, was to their case; and, it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Frederick E. Jacob do attend the said Committee on Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Frederick E. Jacob do attend the Committee on Group F of Private Bills on Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the University of Durham Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of June next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then seven minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

- Thames River Steamboat Service Act, 1904 (Amendment) Bill [Lords].
- Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill [Lords].
- Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

- Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [Lords].
- Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

- Local Government Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.
- Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

- Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.
- Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

- River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords].
- Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Colloquy of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 18th day of this instant May, relative to the Monument to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will give directions that a Monument be erected
in the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, to the memory of the late Right Honourable Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, with an inscription expressive of the high sense entertained by the House of Commons of the eminent services rendered by him to the country in Parliament and in great Offices of State, and assuring Me that you will make good the expenses attending the same.

I shall give directions in accordance with your Address.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rochdale Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Argentine North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Skegness Urban District Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The King's College, London (Transfer) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That in the case of Hurly's Divorce Bill [Lords] Standing Orders 204 and 335 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read a second time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sir Edward Strachey presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1907, relating to the River Wye and other waters: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented a Bill to

confirm a Provisional Order under the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1907, relating to the River Usk and other waters: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and public read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shop Hours the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy Act, 1904.

of Orders made by the Secretary for Scotland under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, providing for the early closing of certain classes of Shops in the Burgh of Govan.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Return of Advanose made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of June 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, pursuant Army to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, (Territorial)

—Copy of Regulations for the Territorial Force.

Copy of Regulations for the Special Reserve Army (Special)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Southampton, altering certain Polling Districts in the Basingstoke Parliamentary Division.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the approximate percentages of Import Duties levied in various countries on the principal articles exported from India, in continuation of the Return appended to the Fiscal Dispatch of the Government of India of the 23rd day of October 1902.—(Mr. Remnant.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House Copies of the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings, together with Documents deposited, in the case of Hurly's Divorce Bill [Lords]; and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills that they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses for Hurly's Divorce Bill [Lords], and also that they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses against the Bill, if the parties concerned think fit to be heard by Counsel and produce Witnesses.—(Mr. Attorney General.)
The Patents and Designs Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Arthur Augustus William Harry Ponsonby, Esquire, Member for the Stirling District of Burghs, was sworn.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the City of Bristol to construct dock railways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Small Holdings and Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings of the Committee of Ways and Means, if under consideration at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley: 176.]

[Mr. Joseph Pease: 276.] Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood: 72.]

Viscount Valentia:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Income Tax.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That Income Tax shall be charged, for the year beginning the sixth day of April nineteen hundred and eight, at the rate of one shilling in the pound.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Whiteley: 230.]

[Mr. Joseph Pease: 176.] Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury: 31.]

[Mr. Hunt:

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Children [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Irish Universities [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempt of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Local Taxation, National Debt, and Assessors [Payments].

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Lands (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Women's Franchise Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ballot Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Peerage Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ballot Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1872) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employment of British Subjects Abroad Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Long Ashton Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Abbotts Bromley Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Tuesday, 26th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to business.

The Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Doncaster Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Blackburn Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next, as a quarter of an hour before Three or the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-three minutes after Twelve of the clock, till this day.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of further Correspondence respecting the Independent State of the Congo.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Board of Education,—Copy of List of (1) Schools in England and Wales containing only one Public Elementary School, together with (2) Schools in Boroughs, Urban Districts, and Rural Parishes in England and Wales in which there is more than one Public Elementary School, but only one available for Boys, or for Girls, or for Infants.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Tables showing, for each of the years 1900–7, the estimated value of Imports into the United Kingdom, and Exports from the United Kingdom, at prices prevailing in 1900, with an introductory Memorandum.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gardin reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Attorney General (in respect of the Coroners’ Inquests Bill), and Mr. Secretary Gladstone (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill); and had appointing in substitution: Mr. Solicitor General (in respect of the Coroners’ Inquests Bill), and the Lord Advocate (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill).

Sir William Brampton Gardin further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill):—Sir Randal Cremer; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill):—Sir William Collins.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Old Age to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making provision, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, for Old Age Pensions.—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee standing on Standing Orders several Resolutions which Orders were read, as follow:

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Holdersen 
Water Bill. 

Honourable 
Artillery 
Company [Lords]. 

Dublin and 
Central 
Ireland 
Electric Power 
Bill. 

Vide 
Supplement 
to the 
Votes. 

Message from 
the 
House. 

Knott End 
Railway Bill. 

Dartford 
Gas 
Bill. 

Great Eastern 
Railway (General 
Powers) Bill. 

Dundalk 
Urban District 
Council Bill. 

Hull and 
Barncley 
Railway Bill. 

Aire and 
Calder 
Navigation 
Bill [Lords]. 

Hurt's 
Divorce Bill [Lords]. 

Air and 
Calder 
Navigation 
Bill [Lords]. 

Holderness 
Water Bill. 

1. That in the case of the Holderness Water Bill, Petition for additional provision, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with. 

2. That in the case of the Honourable Artillery Company [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill. 

The Second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to. 

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table. 

Mr. Lake White reported from the Committee on the Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power (recommitted) Bill; That they had, in accordance with the Instruction of the House of the 21st of May, reconsidered their decision of the 1st of April upon the Preamble of the Bill as reported by them to the House, in so far as the same relates to the area of supply other than the municipal area of the City of Dublin, the Urban District of Rathmines and Rathgar, the Urban District of Pembroke, and King's County, and after hearing Counsel and taking further evidence, had agreed to the following Report:— 

That the Bill, the object of which is to incorporate and confer powers upon a Company for the supply of electrical energy, should be amended by altering the short Title thereof to the Central Ireland Electric Power Bill, and by omitting from the area of supply the municipal area of the City of Dublin, the Urban District of Rathmines and Rathgar, the Urban District of Pembroke, and King's County; and the Committee had made consequential Amendments in the Bill. 

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. 

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth: 

The Lords have agreed to the Great Eastern Railway Bill, without any Amendment, 

The Lords have agreed to the Dartford Gas Bill, without any Amendment, 

The Lords have agreed to the Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Bill, without any Amendment. 

The Lords have agreed to the Dundalk Urban District Council Bill, without any Amendment. 

The Lords have agreed to the Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. 

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the undertakers of the Aire and Calder Navigation to construct works and acquire lands in common with their undertakers; to amend the Acts relating to the undertakers; to confer further powers upon them, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. 

The Lords communicate Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings taken upon the Second Reading of Hurt's Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in the case, as desired by this House, and they request that the same may be returned. 

The Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords] was read the first time. 

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. 

Mr. Vivian, supported by Lord Robert Cecil, Public Health Mr. Walters, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Boastie, Sir William Collins, Mr. Waterlow, Sir William Bill, and Viscount Morpeth, presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts with respect to Sewers and Drains; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of June next; and to be printed. 

Mr. James Mason, supported by Sir Gilbert Payment of Parker, Viscount Helmsley, Mr. Hicks Beach, Railton Bill, Mr. Courthope, Mr. Villiers, Mr. Vivian, and Mr. Molteno, presented a Bill to regulate the payment of Rates when made by the Owner instead of the Occupier: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. 

Mr. Atherley-Jones, supported by Mr. Cross, Money Mr. Carr-Gomm, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. Charles Leaders Bill, Nicholson, Mr. Marnham, Mr. Frederick Eden Smith, and Mr. Walsh, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the 1809, 1805 Act, and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of June next; and to be printed. 

A Motion was made, and the Question being government of proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Scotland. 

to amend the provisions for the future Government of Scotland—(Mr. Pirie); 

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. speaker explanatory statement from the Member who puts the question made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in support to (pursuant to (peremptorily put the Question) 

the House divided. 

The Yeas to the Right; 

The Noes to the Left. 

Tellers for the [Mr. Pirie, 
Mr. Eugene Watson: 257. 

Tellers for the 
Sir Alexander Acland- 102. 

Noes, 
Lord Balcarras: ] 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. 

Ordered, That Mr. Pirie, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Guillaud, Mr. Robert Harcourt, Mr. Lamont, Mr. Murray Macdonald, Captain Murray, Mr. Pooshley, Mr. Charles Price, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Eugene Watson, and Mr. Willie do prepare and bring in the Bill. 

Mr. Pirie accordingly presented a Bill to Government amend the provisions for the future Government of Scotland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. 

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Proceedings on the Reports of the Committee of Ways and Means and Committee authorising the expenditure of public money, other than the Committee of Supply, may be entered upon at any hour after Eleven of the clock, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted under the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith); 

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word "items," the words "at least two days' notice having previously been publicly given."—(Sir Frederick Banbury). 

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. 

And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Report of the Committee of Ways and Means and Committees authorising the expenditure of public money, other than the Committee of Supply, may be entered upon at any hour after Eleven of the clock, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted under the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee of Ways and Means several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Tea.

1. That the Customs duty now charged on tea shall continue to be charged until the first day of July nineteen hundred and nine, that is to say:—

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Sugar.

2. That the Customs duties imposed and the drawbacks allowed under section two of the Finance Act, 1901 (being duties and drawbacks in respect of sugar, molasses, glucose, and saccharin), and the Excise duties imposed and the drawbacks allowed on glucose and saccharin under section five of the same Act, and the allowance in respect of molasses used for food for stock under subsection two of section one of the Revenue Act, 1903, be reduced in each case by fifty-six per cent, or as near thereto as the Treasury may determine, the reduction to take effect on and after the eighteenth day of May nineteen hundred and eight.

Provided that, as respects the duty charged on manufactured or prepared goods under section seven of the Finance Act, 1901, and the drawback allowed on any such goods in respect of which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs that the duty was paid on the sugar, molasses, glucose, or saccharin used in the manufacture or preparation at the rates now charged, the reduction shall not take effect until the first day of July nineteen hundred and eight.

Irish Tobacco.

3. That there shall be charged, on and after the first day of January nineteen hundred and nine, on tobacco grown in Ireland, the following Excise duties, namely:—

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and there shall be charged, on and after the same date, on a licence to be taken out annually by every person growing, cultivating, or curing tobacco in Ireland, an Excise duty of five shillings.

Amendment of Law.

4. That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue.

The first two Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Third Resolution being read a second time; An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, in l 5, by leaving out "2s. 10d." and Vol. 185.

inserting "2s. 10d." — (Mr. Gwynn), — instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "2s. 10d." stand part of the said Resolution:— The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Fourth Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported Ways and Means 25th day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Income Tax.

That Income Tax shall be charged, for the Income Tax year beginning the sixth day of April nineteen hundred and eight, at the rate of one shilling in the pound.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, that a Bill be brought in upon the Finance said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Hobhouse do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly Finance Bill, presented a Bill to grant certain Duties of Bill 247.

Customs and Inland Revenue, to alter other Duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue and the National Debt, and to make other provisions for the financial arrangements of the year: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Local Taxation, National Debt, and Assessors [Payments].

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That it is expedient that the power to levy the duties on certain local taxation licences in England and Wales should be transferred to county councils, and that section seventeen of the Finance Act, 1907, should not apply to such duties, and that an annual sum be paid out of the Consolidated Fund to the Local Taxation Account, to be distributed amongst the county councils in England and Wales in connection with the transfer.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient that the surplus of income over expenditure for the year ended 31st March 1908, to the extent of £500,000, instead of being applied as provided by the Sinking Fund Act, 1875, be applied to defray expenses incurred by the Commissioners of Works in connection with public offices.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of increased allowances to assessors of taxes.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Mr. Joseph Pease.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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[No. 73.]

Wednesday, 27th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Llanelly Gas Bill [Lords.], as

amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a

Provisional Order under the Private Legisla-

tion Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to

Ayr Corporation Tramways: And the same

was read the first time, and ordered (under

section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time

upon Thursday the 4th day of June next; and

to be printed.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a

Provisional Order under the Sea Fisheries Act,

1895, relating to a several Oyster and Mussel

Fishery at the Bay of Firth: And the same

was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the

Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and

be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and

read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, pursuant to the direc-

tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of

Regulations made by the Local Government

Board under the Motor Car Acts: I. County of

East Sussex; II. County of Middlesex; III.

County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil.

Copies of Orders made by the various County

and Borough Councils in England and

Wales under section 57 of the Local Govern-

ment Act, 1888, as confirmed by the Local

Government Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the

Table.

Colonel Slessly presented, by His Majesty's

Command, — Copy of further Correspondence

relating to Native Affairs in Natal.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the

Table.

Admiralty

Commission, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be pre-

sented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously

pleased to give directions that there be laid

before this House a Return giving the number of

ships and other

craft of war which have been in Accidents since

the 1st day of January 1901; giving the number

of vessels totally lost and what their

original cost was, with the numbers of those

repaired in Government Dockyards and those

repairs cost; showing also the number of

lives lost as a result of Accidents during the

years referred to; and, further, showing the

amount paid in Pensions, &c. to the dependants

of those who lost their lives, with the total cost

involved.—[Mr. Vincent Kennedy.]

East India

(Income and

Expenditure).

Resolved, That an humble Address be pre-

sented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously

pleased to give directions that there be laid

before this House a Return of the net Income

and Expenditure of British India under certain

specified heads for the eleven years from

1896-7 to 1906-7 (in continuation of Parlia-

mentary Paper, No. 119 of Session 1907).—

(Mr. Buchanan.)

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Sir William Brompton Gardon reported from

the Committee of Selection that they had

discharged the following Member from Standing

Committee A [in consequence of the consent of

the Court of Wardens and Assistants of

Rochester Bridge, in the County of Kent] to

Access to Mountains Bill]: — Colonel Slessly; and

had appointed in substitution (in respect of the

Access to Mountains Bill]: Sir John Denwar.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the

Table.

Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the

Select Committee on Public Petitions that

they had examined the Petitions presented upon

the 6th, 8th, 7th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th,

15th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd days of

this instant May, and had directed him to make

a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the

Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a

Message from Her Majesty had been brought from the Lords by the

Speaker, one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments

made by this House to the Argentine

Eastern Railway Bill [Lords.], without any Amend-

ment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments

made by this House to the Argentine

Eastern Railway Bill, without any Amend-

ment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments

made by this House to the Metropolitan Borough Councils (Super-
anuation) Bill [Lords.], without any Amend-

ment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An

Act for amalgamating the undertakings of the

Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Midland

Junction Railway Company, the Evesham,

Redditch, and Stratford-upon-Avon Junction

Railway Company, and the East and West

Junction Railway Company, and for other

purposes; to which the Lords desire the con-

currence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An

Act to extend the time for the construction of

certain authorised tramways of the British

Tramways and Carriage Company, Limited, and

for the acquisition of lands in connection therewith, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An

Act to provide for the sale of the property of

the Upton-upon-Severn Town Hall Trustees, and

for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An

Act to make further provision in regard to

the undertaking of the South Wales Electric

Power Distribution Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An

Act for enabling the Cambrian Railways Com-

pany to raise further money by the creation and

issue of debenture stock; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An
empower the Court to contribute to the funds of the new College of Cobham, in the same county, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Midland Junction, Evesham, Redditch, and Stratford-upon-Avon Junction, and East and West Junction Railways (Amalgamation) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Cambrian Railways Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Rochester Bridge Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday the 5th day of June next, the Association of Port Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill was read and discharched.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of June next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the prevention of Crime, and for that purpose to provide for the reformation of young offenders and the prolonged detention of habitual criminals, and for other purposes incidental thereto: And that Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Herbert Samuel do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone accordingly presented a Bill to make better provision for the prevention of Crime, and for that purpose to provide for the reformation of young offenders and the prolonged detention of habitual criminals, and for other purposes incidental thereto: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Old Age Pensions. (In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to provide for Old Age Pensions, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred for that purpose and connected therewith.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Question to add the words “not exceeding in amount £1,200,000.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Main Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide for Old Age Pensions, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred for that purpose and connected therewith.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses]. (In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to University Education in Ireland, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of the remuneration of the Secretary to the Commissioners, and of any persons appointed or employed by them, and of any expenses incurred by the Commissioners in the execution of such Act; and

(b) of grants for the purposes of either of the new Universities, or of the constituent colleges of the new University at Dublin, or of the governing bodies thereof.

—(Mr. Birrell.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 7, after the word “Act,” to insert the words “such grants not to exceed £70,000 per annum.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury.]

Yea, (Colonel Sandys: ) 57.

Noes, (Mr. Joseph Pease: ) 276.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Question to add the words “such grants not to exceed £80,000 per annum.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury.]

Yea, (Colonel Sandys: ) 48.

Noes, (Mr. Joseph Pease: ) 277.

Main Question again proposed: — Debate arising:

Mr. Birrell rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
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And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, further proceeding was postponed without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4.

Resolved, That this House considers that Housing of immediate steps should be taken to secure the provision of proper sanitary Housing Accommodation for Workpeople employed upon works of construction, and in other occupations of a temporary character.—(Mr. Maddison.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Factors Act Second Reading of the Factors Act (1889) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs (Injuries Second Reading of the Dogs (Injuries to Persons) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Bakers' houses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Waste Lands Second Reading of the Waste Lands (Ireland) Improvement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whaling Stations Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Home Work Second Reading of the Home Work Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners' Inquests (Railway Fatalities) Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Hours of Labour (Surface) Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railways Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee);  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
power to make provision therein pursuant to
the said Resolution.

Patents and Designs Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Patents and Designs
Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation
Works.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Committee on East India Loans [Railway and
Irrigation Works.]

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets
in Rural Districts) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction)
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents
(Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal
Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen
in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
ideration to-morrow.

Children [Expenses.]

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported
from the Committee on Children [Expenses] a
Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment,
out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any
expenses that may be incurred and of any
contributions that may be made under the pro-
visions of any Act of the present Session to
consolidate and amend the Law relating to the
protection of Children and Young Persons.

The said Resolution being read a second
time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to
the said Resolution, in l. 2, by leaving out the
words "and of any contributions that may be
made."—(Sir Frederick Bawburg.)

And the Question being put, That the words
proposed to be left out stand part of the said
Resolution—it was resolved in the Affirma-
tive.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of
Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply
the Report from the Committee of Supply of the
21st day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-
morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply
Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply
the Report from the Committee of Supply of the
2nd day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-
morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly
Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 74.]

Thursday, 28th May 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour
before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Skegness Urban District Council Bill Skegness
[Lords] was read the third time and passed,
with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to
the Lords; and acquaint them that this House
hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to
which this House doth desire the concurrence of
their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Port
Second Reading of the London Port and Docks
Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 26th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lower Thames
Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock
Dock Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday the 26th day of June next.

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented a Bill to Marriages
confirm a Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State
under the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act, 1905: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Calendar of the Manuscripts of the Manuscripts of the Marquess of Ormonde, x.r., preserved at Kilkenny Castle. New Series, Volume 5.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Twenty-fifth Report of the Controller General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, with Appendices, for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Coroners' Inquests Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to dispense with the compulsory viewing of Bodies by Juries on holding of Coroners' Inquests.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Fisheries Bill was referred; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Arthur Stanley reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Provisional Order Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Mr. Arthur Stanley reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Railway Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Common Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Common Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
28th May, 1908. [No. 74]

His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tyne Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 18th day of June next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday the 12th day of June next.

Postponed proceeding on Question, That a sum not exceeding £792,376 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid, resumed.

Question again proposed:

Question put, and agreed to.

Class III.

2. £1,377,889 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Inspector of Reformatory Schools, and for the maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools, and under the Youthful Offenders Act, in Great Britain.

3. £400,345 to complete the sum for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies.

4. £28,751 to complete the sum for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Harcourt reported from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of April last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:


Class I.

1. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £342,900 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes.

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 (including certain Grants in Aid) be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Harcourt reported from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant May, the following several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

Class II.

1. That a supplementary sum not exceeding £5 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for Stationery, Printing, &c., including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

2. That a sum not exceeding £405,312 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

Class III.

3. That a sum not exceeding £355,000 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for Rates on Government Property.

4. That a sum not exceeding £35 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

Class VI.

6. That a sum not exceeding £338 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Colonial Services.

Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices abroad, including Furniture, Fuel, and sundry Miscellaneous Services.
to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for certain miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances.

Class II.

7. That a sum not exceeding £23,178 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Harcourt reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

Class II.

That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:— And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Crime Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee on Old Age Pensions a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to provide for Old Age Pensions, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by that purpose and connected therewith.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution:—And Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Asquith, Mr. Burns, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to provide for Old Age Pensions: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses]; VOl. 183.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 27th day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses, so far as not otherwise provided for, incurred by the Commissioners of Works under any Act of the present Session, to provide for the acquisition of land for the extension of certain Public Offices in Westminster and of the Patent Office, and for certain other public purposes—(Mr. Harcourt);— And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Second Reading of the Finance Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second-Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second-Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Second-Reading of the Fatal Accidents to Persons (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempt of Court Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbot's Bromley Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 75.]

Friday, 29th May 1908.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Hull and Barnsley Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Metropolitan Commons Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Masterman presented a Bill to confirm Local certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Bethesda, Monmouth, and the Aspatria, Silloth, and District Joint (No. 10) Bill Water Board District; and the same was read Bill 255. the first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report and Tables relating to Irish Agricultural Labourers, for the year 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Holhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-first Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery, 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Bills of Way Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months." — (Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business:

Whereupon Mr. Trenchelan rose in his place Closure and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined them to put that Question.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pensions (Old Age) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Officers Officers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ecclesiastical Disorders Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing (Scotland) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawlers' Certificates Suspension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purity of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of June next.

Municipal Elections Bill.

The Municipal Elections Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Trade Disputes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Dogs' Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Buxton Charity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Long Ashton Charity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Abbots Bromley Charity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Second Reading of the Prevention of Crime Crime Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Glasgow Port of Shipowners' Association against the Port of London Bill, London Bill, presented on the 27th day of this instant May, be referred to the Joint Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Younger.)

Ordered, That Mr. Herbert Lewis be dis- Police Forces charged from the Select Committee on Police (Weekly Rest-Forces (Weekly Rest-Day).

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis, Mr. Remnant, Mr. Wiles, and Mr. Guy Wilson be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Mr. Currie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Criccieth Water and Improvement Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Selection the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Stand-(Standing Committee A:—Mr. Joyce, Mr. Smyth, and Mr. Committee A A. Mr. Waldron (in respect of the Housing of the House of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill), Mr. Harring-Working Classes, Mr. Hoyden, Mr. Nunnett, Mr. Thomas, iping Committee A. Mr. O'Donnell, Mr. William Redmond, and Mr. Patrick O'Brien; and had appointed in substitute (in respect of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill): Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Kavanaugh, Mr. Hazleton, Mr. James O'Connor, Mr. Charles MacVeigh, Mr. Mooney, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, Mr. Haviland-Barke, and Mr. O'Malley.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Joseph Compton Rickett reported from the Railway Bills Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee
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had adjourned till Wednesday the 24th day of June next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then five minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 76.]

Monday, 1st June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords].
Cambrian Railways Bill [Lords].
Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords].
Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords].
South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords].
Rochester Bridge Bill [Lords].
Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Oyster and Mussel Fishery (Bay of Firth) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Llanelli Gas Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which the House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Padham Urban District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South West Suburban Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ards and Second Reading of the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commercial Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of this instant June.

Mr. Masterman, supported by Mr. Burns, Local Government presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to Burton-upon-Trent: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Viz.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Fishery Board Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, being for the year 1907. Part I., General Report.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented,—Return to an East India Address to His Majesty, dated the 25th day of April in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the number of Deaths and the Death Rates per million living in India, for each of the last thirty years, from Plague, Cholera, Enteric or Typhoid Fever, and Small Pox respectively.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Import and Command,—Copy of Report to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland on the Trade in Imports and Exports at Irish Ports during the year ended 31st December 1906.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seeley presented, by His Majesty's East Africa Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the tenure of Land in the East Africa Protectorate.

Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 557 (East Africa Protectorate, Report for 1906-7) and 558 (Uganda, Reports for 1906-7).
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, showing the amount received from the Exchequer in respect of the old and new Sinking Funds in the financial year ended 31st March 1908; also of the particular application thereof, pursuant to section 7 of the Sinking Fund Act, 1875.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Westmorland, altering certain Polling Districts in the two Parliamentary Divisions of the county.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made under the Census of Production Act, 1900, by the Board of Trade.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum on the Old Age Pensions Scheme in force in New Zealand, and the Scheme of Insurance against Invisibility and Old Age in force in the German Empire.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Mr. Hobhouse accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Corrie Grant reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section A.) Berkeley Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table: and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Clancy; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill): Mr. Kavanagh.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Prosecution of Offences (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Loch Leven Loch Leven Water Power Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Board Bill, with the Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Registration Act to amend the Law relating to the time for an appeal from the decision of a Revising Barrister, and matters consequent thereon; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Barry Railway Act to enable the Barry Railway Company to construct new railways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Barry Railway Bill [Lords] was read the Barry Railway Bill [Lords] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, Second Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "that" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in view of the growing liabilities of the nation for naval and military defence, old age pensions, and education, and of the necessity for giving additional relief to ratepayers from the increasing charge for national services now thrown upon the rates, this House regrets that no attempt is made to increase the resources of the Exchequer by broadening the basis of taxation."—(Mr. Lawrence Hardy)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Bonar Law):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Prevention of Crime Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Crime Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Licensing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army Council Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.


The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £159,783 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Old Age Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Irish Universities [Expenses.]

Mr. Birrell reported from the Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses] a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to University Education in Ireland, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of the remuneration of the Secretary to the Commissioners, and of any persons appointed or employed by them, and of any expenses incurred by the Commis-

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sioners in the execution of such Act; and

(b) of grants for the purposes of either of the new Universities, or of the constituent colleges of the new University at Dublin, or of the governing bodies thereof.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Costs into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking in consideration the Registration of Clubs Bill [Ireland] Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Exportation of Horses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exportation of Horses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

Cruelty to Animals (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

Payment of Jurors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

Merchandise Marks Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

Fire Inquests Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fire Inquests Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Tenants (Ireland) Act (1907) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Absent Voters Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Absent Voters Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Representation of the People Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Small Holdings and Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Cheap Trains Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Women’s Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Women’s Enfranchisement Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Franchise and Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women’s Disabilities Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Borough Councils Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fruit Growers Second Reading of the Fruit Growers (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Elections and adjourning the Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection (School Attendance) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Payment of the Rate Bills;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government of Scotland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Calendar Reform Bill;
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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Provisional Order Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading applicable, thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Wye Fisheries Provisional Order Bill.
Usk Fisheries Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The Ards and Bangor Railways Bill was, Ards and according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lights on Vehicles (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions this Fifth Report.
Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Deaths from Plague, &c.), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant June, be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Annual Reports, for 1907, of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries of their Proceeding under the Diseases of Animals Acts, the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, &c.

Sir Edward Strachey also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated the 25th May 1908, revoking Order No. 7487, of the 23rd May 1898, defining a Foreign Animals Quarantine Station at Irongate Wharf, in the City of London.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Salop with respect to the Polling Districts in the four Parliamentary Divisions of the county.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Reports, Statistics, &c. on Continuation Classes and Central Institutions (Scotland), 1908–7.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Commercial Treaties (Commercial, No. 4, 1908.)

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for Returns relative to Government Departments Securities.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of net Public Income and net Public Expenditure under certain specified heads, as represented by receipts into and issues out of the Exchequer from 1893–4 to 1907–8, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 354 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Ellis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Indian Financial Statement for 1908–9, and of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council of the Governor General thereon. —(Mr. Buchanan.)

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the River Wandle Protection [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with, that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Coroners Committee A:—Coroners (Ireland) Bill and Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bills) :— Mr. Fryer, Mr. Clancy, Major of Hamilton, Mr. James O'Connor, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Lardner, Mr. Kettle, Mr. Moore, Mr. Muldow, Mr. Long, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, Mr. Neunes, Mr. Robert Harcourt, and Mr. King.

That the Return relative to East India (Deaths from Plague, &c.) was agreed to.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Public Rights of Way Bill) :— Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, Mr. Walker, Mr. Cheetham, Mr. Higham, Mr. Arnold Herbert, Mr. Harold Cox, Mr. Dunfes White, Mr. Trevelyan, Mr. Byles, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Meysey-Thompson, Mr. Cross, Mr. Younger, and Mr. M. Arthur.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Municipal Elections Bill) :— Major Cottee, Mr. Younger, Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, Mr. Burdett-Coutts, Mr. Cleland, Mr. J. Crace, Mr. Adkins, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Money, Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Collins, Mr. Arthur Priestley, Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Brotherton.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill) :— Mr. Younger, Mr. Charles Craig, Mr. Viscount Harcourt, Mr. William Brampton Gurdon, Mr. Clancy, Mr. J. Crace, Mr. Adkins, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Money, Mr. Thomasson, Mr. Collins, Mr. Arthur Priestley, Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Morton, and Mr. Harrow-Bannister.

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House; and had amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Bath, Little Lever, Stanhope, Stratton, and the Hemel Hempstead Joint District Hospital.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the King’s College, London (Transfer) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Solicitor General reported from the Hurly’s Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Hurly’s Divorce Bill [Lords], as to the marriage of the parties, the adultery coupled with cruelty, charged as the ground for dissolving the marriage, and the sentence of Divorce, a mensa et thora, in the Probate and Matrimonial Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland, and, upon evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found the same and the other allegations to be true; and they saw no reason to suspend collusion between the parties; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence and Hurly’s Proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Hurly’s Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords: And that the Clerk do carry the same.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Public-houses Bill to facilitate the provision of accommodation for supplying Food, and of other improvements in connection with premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail: And that Mr. Watson Rutherford, Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. James Mason, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Gretton, Colonel Hall-Walker, Mr. Goulding, Sir Henry Kimber, Earl of Ronaldshay, and Mr. John Rutherford do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Watson Rutherford accordingly presented a Bill to facilitate the provision of accommodation for supplying Food, and of other improvements in connection with premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Finance Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 1st day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, in order to add the words “in view of the growing liabilities of the nation for naval and military defence, old age pensions, and education, and of the necessity for giving additional relief to ratepayers from the increasing charge for national services now thrown upon the rates, this House regrets that no attempt is made to increase the resources of the Exchequer by broadening the basis of taxation”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy)—instead thereof;
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The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Resolution which, upon the 1st day of this instant June, was reported from the Committee on Irish Universities [Expenses], That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to University Education in Ireland, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of the remuneration of the Secretary to the Commissioners, and of any persons appointed or employed by them, and of any expenses incurred by the Commissioners in the execution of such Act; and

(b) of grants for the purposes of either of the new Universities, or of the constituent colleges of the new University at Dublin, or of the governing bodies thereof.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Resolution, in l. 9, by adding at the end thereof the words "Provided that no part of the moneys authorised to be spent by this Resolution shall be used or applied for the purposes of denominational education."—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Craig, Yeas, 367.
Mr. Herbert Lewis : 172.
Norris, 22.

Tellers for the (Sir Philip Magnus :
Mr. Frederick Banbury : 149.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

Highways Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Highways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

House-letting (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House-letting (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

Education of Afflicted Children (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education of Afflicted Children (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

Railway and Canal Traffic Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway and Canal Traffic Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

Restraint of Trades (Shops) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Restraint of Trades (Shops) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

Rabbits on Commons Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbit on Commons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of this instant June.

Dogs (Exemption) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs (Exemption) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

Conveyancing Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Settled Land Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Corporal Punishment (Restriction) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporal Punishment (Restriction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of this instant June.

Local Government (Transfer of Powers of Standing Joint Committees) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Transfer of Powers of Standing Joint Committees) Bill;
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbot's Bromley Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Calendar Reform Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Central Ireland Electric Power Bill (changed from Dublin and Central Ireland Electric Power (recommitted) Bill), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Tawe Valley Gas Bill Tawe Valley Gas Bill (Lords'), (changed from Swansea Valley Gas Bill (Lords'), as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 39, 129, and 230 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions and Memorials against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Documents relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, also for depositing at the Private Bill Office all Documents relating to any Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, be extended to the first day on which the House shall sit after the Recess.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Local Government Provisional Orders Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Order Local Government Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (Provisional Orders) (No. 6) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Usk Fisheries Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Wye Fisheries Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, by the Council of the Borough of Batley, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, altering the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the borough.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law as to Contempts of Court, brought from the House of Lords to the House of Commons, 2nd May 1883.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the receipts and expenditure under the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, for the year ending 31st December 1897.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, and to Fines, &c. (Ireland), be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fiftieth Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for Scotland.

Mr. Holbourn presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of I. Return (in pursuance of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1889), showing, up to the 31st March 1908: (I.) The amount of Consolidated Stock; (II.) The application of the money raised by such Stock; (III.) The sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund; (IV.) The application of the Consolidated Loans Fund; and (V.) An Estimate of the expenditure of the Council for all purposes for the year ending 31st March 1909:—And II. Return (in pursuance of the Metropolitan Board of Works (Loans) Act, 1875) showing, up to the 31st March 1908: (I.) All moneys raised.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the principles and methods, if any, adopted for limiting the length of Speeches in the Supreme Legislative Assemblies of British self-governing Possessions, of the United States, and of the following:

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the principles and methods, if any, adopted for limiting the length of Speeches in the Supreme Legislative Assemblies of British self-governing Possessions, of the United States, and of the following:

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by the Metropolitan Board of Works and the Council since the passing of the Act for the purposes mentioned in the Act; and (II.) Particulars in relation to every parish, district, union, or place in respect wherein a Loan has been obtained from the Metropolitan Board of Works or the Council since the passing of the Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Statement as to the Age at which compulsory Education ceases in certain Foreign Countries and British Colonies.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to Post Office, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Colonial Post (Cash on Delivery) Warrant, 1908, dated 18th May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Peace Sir Edward Grey's Command,—Copy of Protocol of the eleven Plenary Meetings of the Second Peace Conference held at The Hague in 1897; with the Annexes to the Protocols.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of Classes of Documents which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Copy of Twelfth Schedule containing a list Public Records and particulars of Classes of Documents which (Admiralty and have been removed from the Department of the Education Department, under section 14 (2) of Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom of Great High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and deposited in the Public Britain and Ireland, and, at the Public Record Office, but are not considered of sufficient value to justify their preservation therein.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the principles and methods, if any, adopted for limiting the length of Speeches in the Supreme Legislative Assemblies of British self-governing Possessions, of the United States, and of the following:

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Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of York (Pudsey Division), in the room of the Right Honourable George Whitby, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Colonel Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts: That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Corners (Ireland) Bill and of the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill):—Colonel Seely Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Herbert Samuel; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bills): Mr. Glendening, Mr. Birrell, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, and Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill):—Colonel Seely; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Hobhouse.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. James Duncan; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Ryland Atkins.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill):—Mr. James Duncan; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Sydney Buxton, Mr. Hobhouse, and Mr. Attorney General.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hills, supported by Mr. Horridge, Mr. Mickle, and Mr. Rawlinson, presented a Bill to amend the Judicature Acts, 1873 to 1894, with respect to the persons in whom the power of making Rules of Court under those Acts is vested: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.—(Mr. Asquith.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-day, do adjourn till Wednesday the 10th (Whitsunside) day of this instant June.—(Mr. Asquith.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House is of opinion that the increase in fatal and non-fatal Accidents in cases under the Factory and Workshop Act is of such a character as to demand immediate attention, more particularly in so far as it bears upon the organisation of the Factory Department of the Home Office.—(Mr. Glover) — And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Luggage (Definition) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parochial Medical Officers (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Whitsuntide) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clerks of the Poor Law (Compulsory Contribution Exemption) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Law Amendment (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Taxation and Purchase of Land) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Prohibition of Breaches of Byelaws) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 20th day of March last, That the Breaches of Byelaws Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 16th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ballot (Transferable Vote) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weekly Rest-Day Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibition of Medical Practice by Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Whisky Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pharmacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation and Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Erection of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Thursday, 4th June 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Fulham Urban District Council Bill [Fulham Urban District Council Bill] was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the South West Suburban Water Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Criccieth Water and Improvement Bill as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

tion the Great Western Railway Bill [Lords] as amended in the Committee.
And Amendments were made to the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerks do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Bill, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House has agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Ayr Corporation Tramways Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm the Lanarkshire Tramways Provisional Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Lanarkshire Tramways: And the said was read the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of the Board of Trade upon the Sight Tests used in the Mercantile Marine, for the year ended 31st December 1907.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Scotland, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Lancaster under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the Urban District of Great Harwood.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the City of Worcester under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buccleuch presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on Special Rating for School Purposes in Quebec and Ontario.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court under the Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1876, dated 3rd June 1908.

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated 3rd June 1908, under the Patents and Designs Act, 1907.

Copy of Crown Office Rules under the Criminal Appeal Act, 1907.

Copy of Rules of Court for Appeals, 1891 and 1902.

Copy of Rules of Court for Appeals under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Experiments on Living Animals during the year 1907, under licences granted under the Act 39 & 40 Vict. c. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 151 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(1n the Committee.)

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £40,830 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A (Salaries, Wages, and Allowances) be reduced by £100.—(Mr. O'Grady) :—Debate arising ; Vol. 163.

Mr. Arthur Henderson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put, Question put and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That Item A (Salaries, Wages, and Allowances) be reduced by £100.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Duncan, Yes, (Mr. O'Grady)] : 59.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, No's, (Mr. of Ethnology)] : 225.

Original Question again proposed:

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [21st May] upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of [28th May] the 28th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Court Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Second Reading of the Prevention of Crime Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit, till five minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till Wednesday next.

[No. 80.]

Wednesday, 10th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Central Ireland Electric Power Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hurly's Divorce Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the London County Council (Money) Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Burnley Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and committed.

The Nottinghamsire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Rochester Bridge Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, presented by Command of His Majesty during the Whit-Suntide Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to the Standing Order of the 14th August 1896:—

Copy of Declaration between the United Treaty Series Kingdoms of Portugal and Paraguay amending the Treaty of Commerce of 16th October 1884. Signed at Asuncion, 14th March 1908.

Copy of General Report and Statistics for the Mines and year 1906. Part IV., Colonial and Foreign Quarries; Statistics relating to Persons employed, Output, and Accidents at Mines and Quarries in the British Colonies and in Foreign Countries.

Copy of Regulations for Secondary Schools Board of in force from 1st August 1908 in Wales and Education, Monmouthshire.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Stecy presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Colonial Reports, No. 359 (Swaziland, Report for 1905-6. [No. 8a; Annual.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the Merchant directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the receipt and expenditure under the Sca- men's Fund Wind-up Act from 1st January to 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shop Hours the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary for Scotland under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, providing for the early closing of certain Shops in the Burgh of Greenock.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Vivisection Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Royal Commission on Vivisection, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence, March 1908, with Appendices and Index).

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented,— Intoxicating Liquor Licences (England and Wales) (Transfers). No. 168.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of
Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary of the City of London, altering the Polling Districts within the City.

Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Conscriptory, for the year ending 29th September 1897, made to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State under the provisions of the Police (Counties and Boroughs) Act, 1856.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Intoxicating Liquor licences (England and Wales) and Police (Counties and Boroughs, England and Wales), be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Statements) No. 169.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4004, 4006 to 4008, 4010, and 4011.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Accounts of receipts and payments in respect of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Pension Fund for the year ended 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 2nd day of this instant June, for a Return relative to East India (Financial Statement).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of the Annual Report and General Account of the Commissioners of Arundel Port for the period from 25th March 1907 to 25th March 1908.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of July next.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Housing of Working Classes Acts Amendment Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of July next.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Public Health Officers Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of July next.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Pensions (Old Age) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sir William Brampton Garden reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B, (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. William Jones and Sir Joseph Leese; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill):—Mr. Mackarness and Major Dunne.

Standing Committee C.

Irish Universities Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,758 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Master of Elibank reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

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1. That a sum not exceeding £792,376 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.

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2. That a sum not exceeding £127,899 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for sundry Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Great Britain).

3. That a sum not exceeding £400,345 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies.

4. That a sum not exceeding £26,781 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

The said Resolutions being read a second time:

The First Resolution was postponed. Then the subsequent Resolutions were agreed to.

Ordered, That the postponed Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventh Annual General Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction in Ireland.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4005 and 4009.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 19) Warrant, 1908, dated 21st May 1908.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and British Possessions for 1907, compared with the four preceding years. Vol. II.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Order of the day being read, for taking the Report as to the Proceedings of Distress Committees in England and Wales, and of the Central (Unemployed) Body for London, under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1908,—(Mr. Burns.)

The Order for taking into consideration, upon Tuesday next, the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read and discharged.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 20th day of May last, That it is expedient that the Statute Law Revision Bill be referred to the same Joint Committee to which the Post Office (Consolidation) Bill and the Companies (Consolidation) Bill are to be referred: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply into the Committee of Supply.
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Crime Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners' Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 26th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shops Bill Committee on the Shops Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Factory and Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Accident Prevention Act (1901) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sea Fisheries Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill Second Reading of the Rule Committee Bill; Committee Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the University of Durham Second Reading of the University of Durham Durham Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Purchase of Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed in the Small Holdings Bill, upon the 11th day of March last, That the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 25th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Valuation Second Reading of the Valuation (Ireland) (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railways Second Reading of the Railways (Eight Hours) (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing of Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Scotland) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be farther adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothee Abolition (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Bakewitches) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hours of Labour (Surfacemen) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in making the arrangements for an official Report of Debates.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.


[No. 82.]

Friday, 12th June 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Great Western Railway Bill [Lords] Great Western Railway Bill

was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; so which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next, in two separate districts.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Lanarkshire Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Conservators of the River Medway for the year ending 25th March 1908.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Carnarvon, dividing the Middle Llandrargon Parliamentary Polling District into two separate districts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Criminal and Command,—Copy of Criminal and Judicial Statistics of Ireland for the year 1907. Part II. (Ireland.) Civil Statistics.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Statement of receipts and expenditure of the Conservators of the River Medway for the year ending 25th March 1908.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Select Committee A, in respect of the Public Rights Committee A.
The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Court Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensed Premises (Election Days) Closing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Infant Life Protection Act [2] Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then eight minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are not.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland appointing the places at which Examinations for 1908 shall be held.

Copy of Rule made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland determining the number of Centre Superintendents to conduct the Examinations in the year 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented,—Return to an Order, Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Full Text of Indian Press (Press Act) VII. of 1906.

Mr. Buchanan also presented,—Return to an East India Address to His Majesty, dated the 27th day of (Income and May last, for a Return relative to East India (Income and Expenditure).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence (No. 3, 1906.) respecting the Taxation of Natives and other questions in the Congo State.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the Savings Banks directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account, for the year ended 31st December 1907, showing the interest accrued in respect of the securities standing in the names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Post Office Savings Banks Fund, the interest paid and credited to depositors in pursuance of the Acts respecting the Taxation of Natives and other questions in the Congo State.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tawe Valley Gas Bill [Lords] (changed from Swansea Valley Gas Bill [Lords],) as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Ayr Corporation Tramways Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Intelligence of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by William Wills, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, on the Draft Regulations proposed to be made for Factories in which the process of casting Brass is carried on.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Further Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of March 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks).

Further Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (Administrative County of Devon).

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Accounts of receipts and expenditure of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland for the year ended 31st December 1907, together with Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Intermediate Education (Ireland) be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Circular Letter issued by the Chief Registrar to the principal Friendly Societies with reference to proposed Non-contributory Scheme dealing with the subject of Old Age Pensions, together with Abstract of their Replies thereto.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the prevention of Crime, and for other purposes incidental thereto.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone);

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Bertram Strauss, supported by Mr. Dickenson, Sir William Collins, Mr. Steadman, Dr. George, Sir Andrew Torence, Sir John Brunner, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Abel Smith, Mr. George Hardy, and Mr. William Pears, presented a Bill to secure the safety of pedestrians, especially Children, in public thoroughfares in populous places: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Old Age Second Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill; Pension Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “while it is desirable that the State should organise aid for the unfortunate by establishing and assisting a general system of insurance against the principal risks of life, it is unjust to spend the taxpayers’ money in giving subsidies to persons selected by arbitrary standards of age, income, and character”—(Mr. Harold Cox),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Whale Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Navigation Second Reading of the Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coal Mines Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight (Eight Hours) Hours) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cruelty to Animals Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Sewers and Drains) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Resolution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Conveyancing Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Settled Land Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident
Societies (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs
Acts Amendment (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Ballot (Transferable
Vote) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Pensions (Old Age)
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill was,
according to Order, read a second time, and
committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amend-
ment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed
upon the 26th day of February last, That the
Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned
till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Petition from the Mayor,
Aldermen, and Councillors of the Metropolitan
Borough of Fulham, praying to be represented
by Counsel before the Joint Committee on the
Port of London Bill, be referred to the Com-
mitee on the Bill.—(Mr. Timothy Davies.)

And then the House, having continued to
sit till seven minutes after Eleven of the
clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Stand-
ing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a
Standing Committee.

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Tuesday, 16th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour
before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Local Government Provisional Orders
(No. 10) Bill was, according to Order, read
a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Order
(No. 11) Bill was, according to Order, read a
second time, and committed.

The Marriages Provisional Order Bill was,
according to Order, read a second time, and
committed.

The Lanarkshire Tramways Order Con-
firmation Bill was, according to Order, read a
second time, and ordered to be taken into
consideration upon Thursday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and
read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Inquiry
into Charities (County of Berks), which was
presented upon the 15th day of this instant
June, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Inquiry
into Charities (Administrative County of Devon)
which was presented upon the 15th day of this
instant June, be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Naval
and directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Marine Pay
Orders in Council, dated 4th June 1908, under
the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act,
1865, approving Memorials of the Lords Com-
misstoners of the Admiralty praying sanction to
(1) the grant to Officers on return from Foreign
Service of certain additional Leave on full pay
in cases where the special circumstances warrant
such extension; (2) the payment of an Allow-
ance, under certain conditions, to Petty Officers
and Men of the Royal Naval Reserve who may
be injured or contract illness during training; (3) the grant of One Shilling a day to all
Kronmen serving in His Majesty's Fleet.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
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Mr. Secretary Halton, presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statement showing—

(1) Number of Special Reservists recruited during the period 15th January to 16th May 1908, as compared with the number of Militia recruits for the corresponding period of 1907;

(2) Disposal of Militiamen belonging to the disbanded battalions of Militia;

(3) Number of Special Reservists drilling at the various depôts on 1st May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post.)

Mr. Sydney Baxton, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 20) Warrant, 1908, dated 27th May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Canada.

Colonel Seely, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King on his Mission to England in connection with the Immigration of Asiatics into Canada.

Ordered; That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Loan Societies.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House: —Abstract of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales for the years 1905 and 1906, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the yield of Import Duty on every article taxable under the Indian Tariff, so far as the Customs Returns collected in India enable such information to be given, during the years 1905-6, 1906-7, and 1907-8.—(Mr. Harold Cox.)

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.

Mr. Lewis Harcourt, reported from the Select Committee on the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true, and had taken evidence thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Bill 264.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow; and be printed.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Standing Committee A.

Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill.

Corner (Ireland) Bill and Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon, further reported Standing from the Committee; That they had discharged Committee B; the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Kate Hardy; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Gil.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon, further reported Standing from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Claude Hay; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Post Office Savings Bank Bill): Mr. Broderson.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Cardiff the Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Massie, supported by Mr. Heine, Sir Places of John Randles, Sir Albert Spicer, Mr. Walters, Worship and Sir George White, presented a Bill to provide for the Enfranchisement of Leasesholds held in trust for the purposes of Religious Worship: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant June; and to be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Old Age the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 15th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Old Age Pensions Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, in order to add the words “while it is desirable that the State should organise aid for the unfortunate by establishing and assisting a general system of insurance against the principal risks of life, it is unjust to spend the taxpayers' money in giving subsidies to persons selected by arbitrary standards of age, income, and character”—(Mr. Harold Cox),—instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:—Mr. Joseph Pease, 

Mr. Harold Cox, 

Mr. Keir Hardie; Mr. Albert Spicer, 

Mr. John Randles, 

Mr. Sir George White.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Aquith.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Friendly Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Committee on the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill; 

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Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners' Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Shops Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Extension of Facilities) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rule Committee Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The University of Durham Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hypothec Second Reading of the Hypothec Abolition (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Buxton Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Long Ashton Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbotts Bromley Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Wednesday, 17th June 1908.

THE ORDER OF THE DAY BEING READ, FOR TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE BLACKBURN CORPORATION BILL, AS AMENDED IN THE COMMITTEE;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

A PETITION OF THE THEREUNDER-SIGNED PROMOTERS OF THE ARDE AND BANGOR RAILWAYS BILL, PRAYING THAT PROVISION MAY BE MADE IN THE BILL FOR A DEVIATION RAILWAY, AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR RAILWAY NO. 13 AND A PORTION OF RAILWAY NO. 2 MENTIONED IN THE BILL, WAS PRESENTED, AND REFERRED TO THE EXAMINERS OF PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS.

Several public petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 26th day of May last, for a Return relative to East Indian Products (Foreign Tariffs), No. 181.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report to the Vol. 163.

Secretary of State for the Home Department, Roehburn, by J. B. Atkinson, M.Sc., one of His Majesty’s Inspectors of Mines, on the circumstances attending the Accident which occurred at Roehburn Colliery, Cumberland, on the 28th January 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Parcel Post Agreement between the United Kingdom and Panama. Signed at Panama, 13th April 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of National Galleries of Scotland (Application of Annuity) Order, 1907.

Copy of National Galleries of Scotland (Application of Transferred Property) Order, 1906.

Copy of Order made by the Secretary for Shop Hours Scotland under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, Act, 1904, providing for the early closing of certain Shops in the Burgh of Kilmarnock.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Select Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland Committee B; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Children Bill): the Lord Advocate, Children Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Pensions (Old Age) Bill Pensions (Old be read a second time upon Thursday the 26th age) Bill day of this instant June.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Messengers had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Cheshire Lines Committee Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Draycott Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the North Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Skegness made by this House to the Skegness Urban District Council Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Llanelli made by this House to the Llanelli Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Great Western Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to Agricultural Holdings in England and Wales; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords] was Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Metropolitan District Railway Bill Metropolitan District Railway Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Ravensthorpe Urban District Council Ravensthorpe Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords] was Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Metropolitan District Railway Bill Metropolitan District Railway Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposéd, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the Metropolitan District Railway Company and Bolton Corporation to provide and work motor trains; to confer on the Great Northern, Piccadilly, and Brompton Railway Company further powers with reference to capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the substitution of a memorandum and articles of association for the provisions of the Northern Assurance Acts, 1865, 1874, 1889, and 1899; for the registration of the Northern Assurance Company under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1907, as a company limited by shares, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Lord Speaker put the Question, in the affirmative, according to Standing Order No. 11.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposéd, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the disclosure and handing over by Bankers to the Department of the Public Trustee of the amount of dormant Balances and Securities in their possession, and of unpresented old bank-notes issued by them—(Mr. Bottomley); And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who proposed it, the Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in the affirmative, according to Standing Order No. 11.

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; the Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bottomley] Yeas, Mr. John Ward: 193. Tellers for the [Sir Henry Kimber, Mr. Rees] Noes, Mr. Russell: 54.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Bottomley, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Hart-Davies, Mr. Hugh Lee, Mr. Sloman, Mr. Lewellyn Williams, Mr. Jouett, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Bertram Strauss, Mr. Grayson, and Mr. Bowes do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Bottomley accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the disclosure and handing over by Bankers to the Department of the Public Trustee of the amount of dormant Balances and Securities in their possession, and of unpresented old bank-notes issued by them; And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1904: And that Sir Frederick Banbury, Marquess of Hamilton, Lord Edmund Talbot, and Colonel Lockwood do prepare and bring it in.

Sir Frederick Banbury accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1904: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposéd, That the Committee stage, Report of the House of Commons Bill (Allocation of Time).
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Fire allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and—

(a) The proceedings on Clauses 1 and 2 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 7.30 p.m. on the second allotted day; and

(b) The proceedings on Clause 3 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the third allotted day; and

(c) The proceedings on Clauses 4, 5, and 6 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fourth allotted day; and

(d) The proceedings on the remaining Clauses of the Bill and any other matter necessary to bring the Committee stage to a conclusion shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fifth allotted day, and the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put:

One allotted day shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and all matters necessary to bring the Report stage to a conclusion shall be proceeded with, and the proceedings thereon brought to a conclusion, at 10.30 p.m. on that day:

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings on that stage of the Bill shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day, or if that day is a Friday at 5 p.m.:

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day; provided that Friday shall not be considered an allotted day except for the purposes of the Third Reading of the Bill:

For the purposes of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause:

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. on any allotted day shall, instead of being taken on that day as provided by the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, to any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order proceedings for that purpose under this Order shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate any allotted day or part of an allotted day being given to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on any allotted day or part of an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be proceeded with or concluded under this Order on the allotted day or part of the allotted day has been disposed of:

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "Committee stage."—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Master of Elibank:

Mr. Joseph Pease, 251.

Mr. Bowles, 58.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Henry Croft:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by inserting, after the word "manner," the words "it shall be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Prime Minister, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. A. Henderson, and three other Members of long experience to be chosen by them with the assent of Mr. Speaker, to allot to the remaining stages of the Old Age Pensions Bill, within one week, such periods as they shall think desirable, and, failing any such allotment, the following provisions shall have effect."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word "days," the words "not being Thursdays."—(Mr. Sturt-Wortley.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5, by leaving out the words "Clauses 1 and 2," and inserting the words "subsections 1 and 2 of clause 1."—(Mr. Sturt-Wortley.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order proceedings for that purpose under this Order shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:
One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings on that stage of the Bill shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day, or if that day is a Friday at 5 p.m.

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day; provided that Friday shall not be considered an allotted day except for the purposes of the Third Reading of the Bill.

For the purposes of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause.

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. on any allotted day shall, instead of being taken on that day as provided by the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, proceedings for that purpose under this Order shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

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(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on any allotted day or part of an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be proceeded with or concluded under this Order on the allotted day or part of the allotted day has been disposed of.

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, [Master of Elibank ; Mr. Joseph Pease ] 311.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put again proposed;
And it being after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business;
Whereupon Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business; Question be now put.

The following manner:—

(a) The proceedings on Clauses 1 and 2 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 7.30 p.m. on the second allotted day; and
(b) the proceedings on Clause 3 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the third allotted day; and
(c) the proceedings on Clauses 4, 5, and 6 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fourth allotted day; and
(d) The proceedings on the remaining Clauses of the Bill and any other matter necessary to bring the Committee stage to a conclusion shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fifth allotted day, and the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put.

One allotted day shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and all matters necessary to bring the Report stage to a conclusion shall be proceeded with, and the proceedings thereon brought to a conclusion, at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, [Master of Elibank ; Mr. Joseph Pease ] 308.
Tellers for the Noes, [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood ; Viscount Valentia ] 98.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, [Master of Elibank ; Mr. Joseph Pease ] 306.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill shall be proceeded with in the following manner:—

Five allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and—

(a) The proceedings on Clauses 1 and 2 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 7.30 p.m. on the second allotted day; and
(b) the proceedings on Clause 3 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the third allotted day; and
(c) the proceedings on Clauses 4, 5, and 6 shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fourth allotted day; and
(d) The proceedings on the remaining Clauses of the Bill and any other matter necessary to bring the Committee stage to a conclusion shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on the fifth allotted day, and the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put.

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. on any allotted day shall, instead of being taken on that day as provided by the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, proceedings for that purpose under this Order shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate any allotted day or part of an allotted day being given to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on any allotted day or part of an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be proceeded with or concluded under this Order on the allotted day or part of the allotted day has been disposed of.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Public Offices Committee on the Public Offices Sites (Extension) (recommitted) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Old Age Pensions Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 26th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Report on the Public Health Bill (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patency of Milk Supplies (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Highways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pawning Industrial Goods (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 86.]

Thursday, 18th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Barry Railway Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Forty-fourth Annual Report by the Chief Inspector under the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906, of Proceedings during the year 1907, presented to the Local Government Board and to the Secretary for Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4012, and 4019.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of all persons now in receipt of Pensions (Civil List) charged upon the Civil List (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 300 of Session 1888).—(Mr. Lamont.)

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon the Luggage Question which was proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Luggage (Definition) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Association of Port Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 268. Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 183. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 184. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, be resumed upon Monday next.

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Mr. Layland-Barratt reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee (Section B), That in the case of the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 185. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 186. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 187. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 188. of the Standing Committee be printed.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Post Office (Consolidation) Bill; Statute Law Revision Bill; Companies (Consolidation) Bill, Post Office (Consolidation) Bill, Statute Law Revision Bill.

Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being heard the Commission read.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, pursuant to the authority of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

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Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Prosecution of Offences Act, 1908.
2. Edinburgh Corporation (Tramways, &c.) Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
3. Loth Leven Water Power Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
4. Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1908.
5. Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
6. Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
7. Great Western Railway (Superannuation Scheme) Act, 1908.
8. Dublin and South Eastern Railway Act, 1908.
12. Interocesive Railway of Mexico (Acapulco to Vera Cruz), Limited, Act, 1908.
17. Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Act, 1908.
21. Camberwell and other Metropolitan Borough Councils (Superannuation) Act, 1908.
22. Rochdale Corporation Act, 1908.
23. Saint Marylebone Borough Council (Superannuation) Act, 1908.
27. Great Western Railway Act, 1908.
29. Hurly's Divorce Act, 1908.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Supply [18th allotted Day.]

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1908-9.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Grants, Pay, Allowances, Training, and Miscellaneous Charges of the Territorial Force (not exceeding 312,000 Men), Imperial Yeomanry, and Volunteers, and Channel Islands and Colonial Militia, including the Permanent Staff, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tyne Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 12, by leaving out the words "works as may hereafter," and inserting the words "or remedial works as shall" — (Mr. Herbert Craig),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Widnes Corporation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Postponed proceeding on Question, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 was then postponed; till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the First of the Resolutions into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Crime (Expenses) Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Paving into consideration the Paving Districts (County District Councils) Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Coroners into consideration the Coroners' Inquests Bill, Inquests Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Military Training Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Calendar Reform Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors of the Metropolitan Borough of Wandsworth, praying to be represented by Counsel before the Joint Committee on the Port of London Bill, be referred to that Committee.—(Sir Henry Kimber.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 87.]

Friday, 19th June 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the London United Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Mr. Churchill presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Exports and Imports (United Kingdom).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Secy presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report, No. 52 (Native Education in South Africa; Part III., Education in the Protectorates, by E. B. Sargent, Vol. 193.

Education Adviser to the High Commissioner for South Africa).

Copy of Report, No. 560 (Saint Helena, Colonial Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Diplomatic (Annual) and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4016 to 4018.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brandon-Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Jeyes and Mr. Waldron (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill), and Captain Donelan, Mr. Haydon, and Mr. Harrington (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill; Mr. Patrick White, Mr. Charles MacVeigh, Mr. Halpin, Mr. Farrell, and Mr. Eyre.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Offices Sites (Extension) (recommending) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 14 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Health (Markets in Rural Districts) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provision, &c. of markets by rural authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word “Board,” to insert the words “and of the owners and ratepayers of their district expressed by resolution passed in manner provided by the Third Schedule of the Public Health Act, 1875.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word “Board,” to insert the words “and of the owners and ratepayers of the parish expressed by resolution passed in manner provided by the Third Schedule of the Public Health Act, 1875.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury,] Yes, Mr. Staveley-Hill: 23.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Posey,] Noes, Mr. Herbert Lewis: 125.

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Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.—Debate arising:

Mr. Masterman rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Mr. Herbert Lewis ;]

Yea, 142.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ashley, Mr. Younger ;]

Noes, 23.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, put accordingly, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Mr. Herbert Lewis ;]

Yea, 153.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bones, Earl Winterton ;]

Noes, 20.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of section 8 of principal Act as to societies which may be registered).

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, Mr. Staveley-Hill ;]

Yea, 25.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Mr. Herbert Lewis ;]

Noes, 154.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 to No. 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 8 to No. 11 agreed to.

A Clause (Limitation of benefits) added. Another Clause (Nominations by members of branches) added.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 35 of principal Act) added.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.
Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit. Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the King's College, London (Transfer) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.


The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant June, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant June, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Widnes Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tawe Valley Gas Bill [Lords] (changed from Swansea Valley Gas Bill [Lords]), as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London United Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Andenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission upon the Duties of the Metropolitan Police, together with Appendices (Volume 1).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4000, 4003, and 4021 to 4026.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Foreign and Colonial Post Amendment (No. 1) Warrant, 1908, dated 28th May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Estimate for Civil Services, Class VIII., Vote 1, containing a list of Superannuation and Retired Allowances payable on 30th November 1907.

Copy of Report of the Principal Chemist upon the work of the Government Laboratory for the year ended 31st March 1908, with Appendices.

Estimate of the further amount required in Civil Services the year ending 31st March 1909 for Public Education (Ireland).

Copy of Revised Estimate, Class VII., Vote 4 (Ireland Development Grant).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in India, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 31st March 1908, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of the termination of each Loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statement of Mortality amongst the different classes of Coloured Labour in the Transvaal Mines from January 1906 to February 1908, inclusive.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Comparative Statement showing (a) the amounts at present received by the Secondary Education Committee Districts from the sums which, under Clause 13 of the Education (Scotland) Bill, will constitute the Education (Scotland) Fund; (b) the distribution of the balance of the Fund, under Clause 14 (2) of the Bill, by two different methods.—(Mr. Sinclair.)

Mr. Sinclair accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brompton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill)—Mr. William O’Brien; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) Mr. Edgar Barry.

Sir William Brompton Gordon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C,—Marquess of Hamilton, Mr. Lonodale, and Mr. Steevely-Hill; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Irish Universities Bill) Mr. Moore, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. MacCaw.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Bill; the Question was proposed, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Mr. Ritcey, supported by Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to loans and sales made for the purpose of the supply of Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats to occupiers and cultivators of land in Ireland: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted (No. 3) Bill, under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Nose, Sir Henry Forster: ]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coal Mines Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day three months.”—(Mr. James Mason.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Bonar Law);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: ]

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Charles Dunbar: ]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education Bill, and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Watt, supported by Sir Andrew Torrance, Mr. Findlay, Mr. McCallum, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Charles Price, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Holley Stewart, presented a Bill to amend and extend existing legislation relating to the Milk Supplies of the rural and urban districts of Scotland: and the said was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of July next; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Irish Home Work Women’s Enfranchisement Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;  
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resolving the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including Sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;  
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant June;  
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;  
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.  
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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Larceny Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rabbits on Commons Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Tuesday the 30th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vehicular Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Public Health (Sewers and Drains) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Sewers and Drains) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Cheap Trains Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Traffic Regulation (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Polling Acts Second Reading of the Polling Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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**[No. 89.]**

**Tuesday, 23rd June 1908.**

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Draycott Gas Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Barry Railway Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the Barry Railway Bill [Lords] be read the third time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time.

*Ordered*, That the Paper relative to Civil Services, 1908–9 (Superannuation and Retired Allowances), which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant June, be printed.

Mr. *Runciman* presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations for Public Elementary Schools in England (excluding Wales and Monmouthshire), with Schedules, by the Board of Education, 1908.

*Ordered*, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Birrell* presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of July 1907.

*Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Hobhouse* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Officer's and Courts Account of receipts and payments under the (Ireland) Act, 1877, 1877, during the year ended 31st March 1908.

*Ordered*, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Hobhouse* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Officer's and Courts Account of receipts and payments under the (Ireland) Act, 1877, 1877, during the year ended 31st March 1908.

*Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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The Lord Advocate presented, by His National Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of Parliaments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the financial year 1907–8, ended 31st March 1908.

*Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant Universities to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 193. (Glasgow, No. 7) (Regulations as to Higher Degrees in Arts and Science).

Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 193. (Glasgow, No. 8) (Regulations as to Bursaries, Scholarships, and Fellowships).

*Ordered*, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the names of every Member returned to serve in each Parliament from the Dissolution of Parliament in the year 1900 to the present date, specifying the names of the county, city, university, or place for which returned (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 365 of Session 1901).

*(Sir William Bull)*

A Motion being made, That this House will, Constabulary to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making further provision for the Pay of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and for the Pensions, Pension Allowances, and Gratuities payable to them, their widows, and children—(Mr. *Joseph Pease*):—

Secretary Sir *Edward Grey*, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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John James Oddy, Esquire, Member for York County, Eastern Part of the West Riding (Pudsey Division), was sworn.

Mr. *Nassey* reported from the Committee on the Pontypridd Water Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Standing Committee A. Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

No. 195. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 196. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee) be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Select Committee A. Standing Committee (Access to Mountains Bill).

Standing Committee B. Children Bill.

Standing Committee C. Standing Committee B. (Housing (Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] Standing Committee) Be taken into Consideration.)

Standing Committee C. Standing Committee B. (Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] Standing Committee) Be taken into Consideration.)

Telegraph Construction Bill and Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3d day of this instant June, That the Luggage (Definition) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Thursday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Speaker for the Lords, that the Bill was read the first time.

Ammanford, in the County of Carnarvon, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Ammanford Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had discharged Mr. William Brampton Gurdon from being Chairman of Standing Committee, to be printed.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. John Ward, supported by Mr. Enock Shop Claes, Edwards, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Maddison, Sir Randal Cremer, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Steadman, presented a Bill to extend the provisions of section one of the Shop Clubs Act, 1902, to membership of trade unions and provident societies: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Old Age into a Committee on the Old Age Pension Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Right to receive old age pension).

Amendment proposed, in p. I, l, 5. at the beginning, to insert the words "There shall be paid to."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury.]

Yea, [Sir Frederick Banbury.] Noes, [Sir Frederick Banbury.] 293.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l, 7, after the word "fulfilled," to insert the words "and who is not subject to the disqualifications mentioned in this Act."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l, 7, after the word "shall," to insert the words "until Parliament otherwise determine."—(Mr. Bowles.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bowles.]

Yea, [Mr. Arthur Harris.] Noes, [Mr. Arthur Harris.] 103.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Peace.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the words "under this Act."—(Sir Frederick Banting.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out from the word "Act" to the end of subsection (1).—(Sir Henry Craik.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "is," in p. 1, l. 9, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "be," to insert the words "remains in the United Kingdom, and."—(Mr. Bowles.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Bowles, Yeas, [Earl Winterton] : 101.

Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, [Master of Elibank] : 376.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the words "at the rates of," in order to insert the words "paid at the rates set forth in the Schedule to this Act."—(Viscount Castlerosse.)

Question proposed, That the words "at the rate" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the words "at the rate of five shillings a week," in order to insert the words "paid at the rates set forth in the Schedule to this Act."—(Mr. Walter Foster.)

Question, That the word "be" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "of five shillings a week," in order to insert the words "paid at the rates set forth in the Schedule to this Act."—(Mr. Goulding), instead thereof.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. George Roberts, Yeas, [Mr. Charles Dunnes] : 118.

Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, [Master of Elibank] : 344.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "in," to insert the words "Part I. of."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising.

Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Elibank] : 339.

Tellers for the (Lord Robert Cecil, Noes, [Mr. Bowles] : 108.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put accordingly, and agreed to.

Mr. Asquith claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

Main Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Blackburn Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

"The Order of the day being read, for the Supply, Committee of Supply;"—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Petition for the Second Reading of the Petition Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords) ;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Friendly into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Design Bill (Lords) ;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses]; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works]; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Married Women's Property Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee); Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ballot (Transferable Vote) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, that they are of opinion that the Greenock Corporation Order ought not to be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order, and that Clauses 52 and 54 of the Perth Corporation Order ought not to be dealt with by Provisional Order:

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKenna presented, pursuant to the Greenwich directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Hospital and Travers' Foundation.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 561 (Ceylon, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return in respect of each cantonment or other place where soldiers are stationed in India, showing—

(1) Whether there is a hospital to which women suffering from venereal disease are admitted, and whether such hospital has been maintained continuously during recent years;

(2) In the event of there being no hospital, whether women suspected of or found to be suffering from venereal disease are, or have been during recent years, turned out of the cantonment;

(3) Whether, at any time during recent years, women have been periodically examined by the army medical officers, or by native hospital assistants, or by any other persons, acting under official sanction; if not, in what way is it ascertained that they are suffering from venereal disease;

(4) Whether such examinations are, or have been, in effect made compulsory by the threat of expulsion from the cantonment if the women do not voluntarily attend for the purpose when required to do so;

(5) How many women have been turned out of the cantonment under the powers of expulsion possessed by the cantonment authorities, and how many of such expulsions have been in connection with venereal disease, and how many for other diseases;

(6) Whether any kind of passes or tickets are, or have been, granted to women (a) permitting them to reside in the cantonment, or (b) recording their attendance at medical examinations.

—(Mr. Stuart.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Select Committee A. that he had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A.
Access to Mountains Bill.

Committee A (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill) —Sir Walter Foster; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) —Mr. Sinclair.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

National Military Training Bill.

Ordered, That the National Military Training Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Pensions (Old Age) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Pensions (Old Age) Bill was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Hours of Labour (Burfacemen) Bill.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ayr Corporation Tramways Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to the holding of Land by Companies incorporated in British Possessions; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Cluny) Harbour; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Cluny) Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Harrold Cox be discharged from the Select Committee on Debates Reports. —(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Theodore Taylor be added to the Committee. —(Mr. Joseph Pease);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief statement from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 11.

And the Question was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Right to receive old age pension).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "except when a person, qualified to receive a pension under this Act, is in receipt of any parochial or other relief, in which case the pension shall only be such amount as, with the amount received in relief, makes up the rate described in Part I. of the Schedule." —(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "or such other less sum as a local pension committee shall determine." —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "Provided always that the sum shall be in the prescribed proportion to the contribution made by the contributor as provided in regulations to be made by the Treasury." —(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted —Debate arising;

Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.


Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, to leave out Is. 13 to 16, inclusive.—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "any," in l. 13, stand part of the Clause; —Debate arising;

Lord Robert Cecil rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; claimed, but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question; —Debate resumed.

Question again proposed:

And it being half an hour after Seven of the clock, the Chairman put the Question on the Amendment forthwith, pursuant to the Order of the House of 17th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "any," in l. 13, stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Remaining words, to the end of l. 16, omitted.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Questions necessary, under the Order of the House of 17th June, to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Statutory conditions for receipt of old age pension).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.


Clause No. 3 (Disqualification for old age pension).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the words "be disqualified for receiving or continuing to," in order to insert the word "not." —(Mr. Courtauld.)
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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses]; Crime [Expenses].

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Borough Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Feus and Building Licences (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act 1900 Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Sewers and Drains) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs' Protection Bill upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, after the word "receive," to insert the words "the full amount of."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, at the beginning, to insert the words "until Parliament otherwise determines."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out subsection (a).— (Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the word "any" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out the words "any such."— (Sir Walter Fother.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "any," in l. 10, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer), put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will, upon the 26th day of February last, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damage) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses]; Crime [Expenses].

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Borough Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Feus and Building Licences (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Factory and Workshop Act (1901) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Assessments (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act 1900 Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Sewers and Drains) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dogs' Protection Bill upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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Thursday, 25th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords.]

THIRD Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the King's College, London (Transfer) Bill be now read the third time; and passed, with Amendments.

Mr. Birrell, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Tawe Valley Gas Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Port and Docks Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of July next.

The Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Cluny) Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Galashiels Drainage and Burgh Extension: And the same was read the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of July next; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 24th day of this instant June, That the Paper relative to the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, be printed, was read and discharged.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to Shop Hours the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Proposed, of Order made under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, by the Leyton Urban District Council, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4014, 4015, and 4043 to 4048.

Copy of Agreement between the United Treaty Series Kingdom and Spain amending Article 5 of the (No. 16, 1908.) Agreement of 25th November 1875 respecting the Postal Service between Gibraltar and Spain. Signed at Madrid, 9th April 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Electric Lighting Acts, Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Applications to, and Proceedings of, the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1902, during the past year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the civil List directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Pensions, List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1908, and payable under the provisions of section 9 (1) of the Civil List Act, 1901.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House National a Return of the gross income and outgo of the Expenditure, Government of the United Kingdom in the year 1906-7, and a corresponding estimate for the year 1908-9, showing for each separate department or voted service the total income from all sources and the total outgo under all heads, including in italics receipts from or payments into the Exchequer, and distinguishing between (a) sums raised by loan; (b) sums raised by taxation; (c) payments received from the public for services rendered, including postal services, post fees, fees for admission to the House of Lords, fees for admission to the House of Commons, fees for admissions, sales of publications, &c.; (d) payments received from, or an estimate of the value of unpaid services rendered to, other Government Departments; (e) rents, royalties, &c. received on account of Government property or Government monopolies; (f) sums received from sale of stores, &c.; (g) sums received for fines and penalties; (h) sums refunded; (i) sums received from local authorities; (j) sums received from other Governments; and distinguishing between payments charged on Votes in Supply, payments charged upon the Consolidated Fund, and other payments, including the estimated value of services received from other Government Departments, and not paid for; and, further, showing whether such payments were devoted to reduction of debt, or to current expenditure, or to grants to local authorities or other Governments.——(Mr. Harold Cox.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; that they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders Bill ought to be confirmed; and that they had
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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the

Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to- morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to- morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Marriage Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Vide Supple- ment to the Votes.

The Companies Bill [Lords] was read the Companies first time, and ordered to be read a second time [Lords]; and to be printed. Bill 281.

Sir Frederick Cowley reported from the Committee on Private Bills of the Committee; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Joseph Compton Rickett reported from the Railway Bills Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That, (Group B) the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from selection the Committee of Selection; That they had (Standing Committee, discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Access to Committee A. Mountains Bill) :—Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Rose and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Töris and Mr. Lane-Fox.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported standing from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fourteen Members (in respect of the University of Durham Bill) :—Sir David Bryan Jones, Mr. Hills, Mr. Talbot, Mr. Butler, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Mallet, Mr. Nuttall, Sir John Tuke, Sir Henry Cratch, Mr. George Marks, Mr. Searlebrick, Mr. Sidcock, Mr. Hemmerde, and Mr. Vernay.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported standing from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fourteen Members (in respect of the Infant Life Protection (No. 2) Bill) :—Mr. Cooper, Mr. Walters, Mr. Simon, Mr. Chiozza Money, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Shackleton, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Farrell, Mr. John Philipps, Major Ratcliffe, Sir Benjamin Stone, and Mr. Du Cros.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported standing from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill) :—Mr. Joseph Walton and Sir Henry Kimber; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Stanley-Hill and Mr. Wedgwood.
Standing Committee C.

Sir William Brompton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the said Bill):—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Kearley, and Sir Edward Strachey; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Herbert Samuel, and Mr. Attorney General.

Standing Committee C.

Sir William Brompton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee C the following fourteen Members (in respect of the Prevention of Crime Bill):—Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, Mr. Etherley-Jones, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Maclean, Mr. Robert Horace, Mr. Llewelyn Williams, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Aher-Dougal, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Rawlinson, and Mr. Talbot.

Standing Committee C.

Sir William Brompton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Telegraph Construction Bill):—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Kearley, Sir Edward Strachey, and Sir Francis Edwards; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill):—Mr. Sydney Buxton, Mr. Hobhouse, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Lyndal Stanley.

Standing Committee C.

Sir William Brompton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee C the following fourteen Members (in respect of the Telegraph Construction Bill):—Mr. Wardle, Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Patrick White, Mr. John Ward, Sir Henry Seymour King, Mr. Harold Cox, Mr. Agnew, Sir Edward Tennant, Mr. Armitage, Mr. Bethell, Major Dunne, Mr. Macharness, Lord Balfour, Mr. Courthope, and Mr. Stavelly-Hill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have a Bill, intituled An Act to appoint special trustees in regard to certain land and premises of the Honourable Artillery Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise and requiring the trustees of the will and codicils of the Honourable Frederick James Tollemache, deceased, to invest and charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and subordinate Office, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, and Expenses under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, including a Grant in Aid of the Congested Districts (Scotland) Fund.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £10,600 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Oyster and Mussel Fishery (Bay of Firth) Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Postponed proceeding on Question proposed Supply (Civil Consideration of Question, That a sum not exceeding £11,600 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and subordinate Office, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, and Expenses under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, including a Grant in Aid of the Congested Districts (Scotland) Fund.

Which Question was, That a sum not exceeding £10,600 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.), resumed.

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £10,600 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

Mr. Eugene Wason rose in his place and claimed the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put, Question put and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £10,600 be granted for the said Service.
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The Order of the day being read, for taking Costs in
into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention
of Crime [Expenses],
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Law
into consideration the Criminal Law and Pro-
ce (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill (not
amended in the Standing Committee);
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Purchase of
Land (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Small
Holdings Bill, upon the 11th day of March last, That
the Small Holdings Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned
till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poor Law
Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment
(Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 22nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters'
Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings
Holdings Bill (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 22nd day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hours of
Labour (Bakehouses) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 15th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the
Association of Port Sanitary
Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon
Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the
Industrial and
Provident
Societies (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Railway
Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Traffic Regulation
(Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Tuesday next.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Luggage (Definition) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Military Training Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Order, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 18th day of this instant June as relates to the Companies (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], Post Office (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], and Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration,—Mr. Joseph Pease.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Seven Members be appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 18th day of this instant June, to consider the Companies (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], Post Office (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], and Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords].

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Beale, Mr. Cave, Mr. Arnold Herbert, Mr. Hills, Mr. Kavanagh, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Stewart-Smith.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That three be the quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith, and to request that their Lordships will be pleased to add two Lords to the said Joint Committee: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—Mr. Joseph Pease.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 92.]

Friday, 26th June 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

This Audenshaw Urban District Council Audenshaw Urban District Council Act (Lords) was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Blackburn Corporation Bill was read the Blackburn third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The London United Tramways Bill was read the third time and passed.

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The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill.

A Clause (Application to Scotland)—(Mr. Esslemont)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 14, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided also that it shall be lawful for such local authority to determine by a like majority that, any matters discussed at that shall not be published, to provide by standing order, regulation, or otherwise, as may be approved by the Local Government Board, that any infringement of such resolution may be punished by exclusion of the person offending from future proceedings of the local authority for a period not exceeding three months."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 19, by inserting, after the word "representatives," the words "direct or indirect."—(Mr. Winfrey.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 20, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words "Provided also that nothing in this Act shall prevent the exclusion of representatives of any newspaper on the ground of the publication of confidential documents."—(Mr. Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 18, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words "Provided also that nothing in this Act shall prevent the exclusion of representatives of any newspaper on the ground of the publication of documents issued by the local authority to its members as private and confidential."—(Mr. Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment to the Bill, by leaving out the words "pending satisfactory explanation," and inserting the words "for a period not exceeding three months"—(Mr. Stasney-Bill),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "pending satisfactory explanation" stand part of the said proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "for a period not exceeding three months" be there inserted in the said proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "Provided also that nothing in this Act shall prevent the exclusion of representatives of any newspaper on the ground of the publication of documents issued by the local authority to its members as private and confidential" be inserted after the last Amendment made to the Bill:—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
Tellers for the [Mr. Guinness]; 
Yea, [Viscount Murchest]: 40.
No, [Captain Norton]: 164.
So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 3, by inserting, after the word "notice," the words "with agenda of the business."—(Mr. Lamont.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by leaving out subsection (b).—(Mr. Masterman.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "an education committee" stand part of 00
the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 17, by inserting, after the word “committee,” the words “and a joint education committee.”—(Mr. Winfrey.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. Holt: } 188.

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Ashley: } 48.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 17, by leaving out from “1902” to the end of l. 50.—(Mr. Winfrey.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 32, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“(g) In the application of the Act to Ireland there shall be included boards of guardians, asylum committees, school attendance committees, and boards of any hospitals or infirmaries in receipt of a grant from public funds.”

—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 1, by leaving out from the word “means” to the end of the Clause, and inserting the word “person(s)—Mr. Nannetti,”—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words “representatives of newspapers” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Incest Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 5, by leaving out Clause 1.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of p. 1, l. 12, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Alteration in method of compiling register)—(Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 9, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“(1) The Lord Lieutenant in Council may make rules for adapting to the provisions of this Act the enactments relating to the registration of electors in Ireland, and the precepts and forms contained in or used under those enactments.”—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And objection being taken to further proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Married Women’s Property Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee):

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill. (not amended in the County Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners’ Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Travellers' Certificates Suspension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Corporations (Election of Aldermen) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of July next.

Pawning Industrial Tools Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pawning Industrial Tools Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Borough Councils Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Councils Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of July next.

Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dogs' Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill)—Viscount Castlereagh; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill)—Mr. O'Neil.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill)—Viscount Castlereagh; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill)—Lord Bledlow, Mr. Courthouse, and Mr. Staveley-Hill.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Prevention of Crime Bill)—Mr. Rawlinson; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill)—Mr. Stavely-Hill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then nine minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 29th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for [Lords.]

Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on applicable, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Tollemache Estate Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for [Lords.]

Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on applicable, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ammanford Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords].

Honourable Artillery Company Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Orders not [Lords.]

Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on applicable, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cambrian Railways Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Great Northern, Piccadilly and Brompton Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

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The Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Metropolitan District Railway Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Northern Assurance Company Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Ravenstorpe Urban District Council Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords.] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Clay) Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Irwell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of August 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of section 79 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, for the process of the casting of Brass.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of explanatory Memorandum of the Under Secretary of State for India on the Accounts and Estimates for East India, 1908-9.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4031.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and Accounts of the Accumulated Fund, and of Passenger Tax and Harbour Duties, for the year ended 31st March 1908; together with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th June 1908, entitled the Destructive Insects and Pests Order of 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of the Sixty-second Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had (Standing Committees,) Standing Committee A (in respect of the University of Durham Bill);—Mr. Verney; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill;) Mr. Durning.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the North East London Railway Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Leicester Corporation Bill, with Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Paisley District Tramways Bill, to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Paisley District Tramways; to confirmation which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Electric Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Gott Bay and Vaia; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Electric Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, District Joint Water Board Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the North East Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Electric Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Electric Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Gott Bay and Vaia; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Electric Act to authorise the Provost, Magistrates, and Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889) to...
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be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill ['Lords'] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and to be printed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill ['Lords'] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and to be printed.

The Leith Burgh Bill ['Lords'] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Steadmansupportedy Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Fenech, and Mr. John Ward, presented a Bill to provide for the Technical Education, Employment, and Maintenance of the Blind: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of July next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Disqualification for old age pension).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out the words "such parochial or other," in order to insert the word "poor."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question, That the words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Goulding, Yea, [Mr. Mildmay : ] 62.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11 and 12, to leave out the words "as disqualifies for registration as a parliamentary elector," in order to insert the words "(other than relief excepted under this provision)."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 348.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, [Mr. Henry Forster : ] 95.

And it, being after half-past Ten of the clock, Chairman put the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order Questions forthwith of the House of 17th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Order of the Government of which notice had been given (the House) and on any Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35 and 36, to leave out the words "is convicted of any offence," in order to insert the words "having been convicted before any court is liable to have a detention order made against him under the Inebriates Act, 1896."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 351.

Tellers for the [Mr. Lane-Fox, Noes, [Mr. Hicks Beach : ] 89.

Another Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 276.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, Noes, [Mr. Charles Duncaus : ] 158.

And, it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill; and that the 22nd day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the
Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Licensing Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army Council Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Bill [Lords].
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works].
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Electoral Reform (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill (without Committee);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidation Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, (Ireland) &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply and asking the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the First of the Resolutions [28th May] which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant June;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Report of the Committee of Ways and Means into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill; [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 36th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners' Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Women's Enfranchisement Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 13th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Exclusion of Children) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dairies (Scotland) Bill; [Scotland] Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Long Ashton Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Abberts Bromley Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pensions (Old Age) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Association of Port Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Traffic Regulation (Metropolis) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Sewers and Drains) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four o'clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker without a Question first put, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 30th June 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Macclesfield and District Tramways Order (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Macclesfield and District Tramways (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords.], as amended in Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time, and committed.

The Paisley District Tramways Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.], as amended in Committee, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Select Committee, That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of London Act, 1898, which was presented upon the 22nd day of May last, be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports (Abandonment) Bill, His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4049 and 4050,

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of Education, dated 30th June 1908, modifying the Regulations applicable to Schools for the Blind, Deaf, Demented, and Epileptic Children, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee, on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Ordered, That in the case of the Ards and Bangor Ards and Bangor Railway Bills, Provisional Order Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert the additional provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Ordered, That in the case of the Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment Bill (Standing Committee A. in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill) ;—Mr. William Jones; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) ; Mr. King.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Sassoon further reported from Special the Select Committee, That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House.
Ordered, That the Report and Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bill No. 297.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Cardiff Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the King's College, London (Transfer) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Audenshaw Urban District Council Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to release on Bail: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill.

Clause No. 4 (Calculation of means).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, after the word "the," to insert the word "net."—(Mr. Smeaton.)

Question put, That the word "net" be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, 
  Yeas, (Mr. Henry Forster : ] 134.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
  Noes, (Master of Elibank : ] 298.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the word "cash," to insert the words "excluding any sums of a less annual value than forty pounds received in consideration of previous contributions to a registered friendly society, or trade union, and."—(Mr. Mildmay.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "provident or other society, or from such other approved provision against old age, sickness, or infirmity as may be recognised as proper provision for this purpose by regulations under this Act, and."—(Mr. Chaplin.)

Question put, That those words, as amended, be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Milnay, 
  Yeas, (Mr. Hills : ] 113.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the word "cash," to insert the words "excluding any sum not exceeding twenty-six pounds five shillings a year received from the Crown as a pension for services in the imperial forces of the Crown, and."—(Mr. Ashley.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ashley, 
  Yeas, (Captain Craig : ] 68.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
  Noes, (Master of Elibank : ] 278.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the word "excluding," to insert the words "any sums payable as a premium of insurance against sickness, death, or funeral expenses, and."—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the word "excluding," to insert the words "amongst other matters, any sums payable as a premium of insurance against sickness, death, or funeral expenses, and."—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, 
  Yeas, (Mr. Henry Forster : ] 83.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
  Noes, (Master of Elibank : ] 298.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, after the first word "the," to insert the word "average."—(Captain Craig.)

Question, That the word "average" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 13, to leave out the word "acquiring," in order to insert the words "which may reasonably be expected to accrue."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That the word "acquiring" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, to leave out subsection (c).—(Mr. Smeaton.)

Question proposed, That subsection (c) stand part of the Clause:

And it being half an hour after Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That subsection (c) stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the: Mr. Joseph Pease, 327.

Tellers for the: Sir Frederick Banbury, 111.

Mr. George Faber:

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and on any Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

And another Amendment proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the South West Third Reading of the South West Suburban Water Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 1st July 1908:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words " as recommitted to the former Committee. "—(Dr. Rutherford,)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords]; Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means:

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
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Wednesday, 1st July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Matthny Tyddl Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into considera-

Buckie and Buckie (Cluny) Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

THE House proceeded to take into considera-

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to
take into consideration the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; and the same
were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House
hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to
take into consideration the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; and the same
were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House
hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Cluny) Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

The Buckie Burgh and Buckie (Cluny)
Harbour Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.]

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.]
was, according to Order, read the second time and
passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House
hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords.]

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords.]
was, according to Order, read second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's
Command,—Copy of Report, No. 562 (Falkland
Islands, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Wage Boards and Industrial Arbitration (Australia and New Zealand.)

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the
Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Ernest Aves, Esquire, on the Wage Boards and

Shop Hours Acts (Australia and New Zealand.)

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Ernest Aves,
Esquire, on the Acts for the regulation of Hours of Employment in Shops in Australia and
New Zealand.

Factory and Workshops.

Copy of Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Treaty Series
His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention (No. 17, 1908.)
between the United Kingdom and the United
States of America respecting the Protection,
Preservation, and Propagation of Food Fishes
in the Waters contiguous to the United States
and the Dominion of Canada. Signed at
Washington, 11th April 1908. Ratifications
exchanged at Washington, 4th June 1908.

Copy of Treaty between the United Kingdom Treaty Series
and the United States of America respecting (No. 18, 1908.)
the Demarcation of the International Boundary
between the United States and the Dominion of Canada. Signed at Washington, 11th April
1908. Ratifications exchanged at Washington,
4th June 1908.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports
Annual Series, Nos. 4020, 4051, and 4053 to (Annual
Series.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the Censure
of an Act of Parliament, —Copy Production
of Rules made by the Board of Trade under
the Censure of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of
Command,—Copy of Regulations for the Training
of Teachers for Elementary Schools (in
force from 1st August 1908).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direc-
Publications of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon
the Table by the Clerk of the House: —Copy
of Schedule containing a list and particulars of
classes of Documents among the Records of the
Royal African Company and the Company of
Merchants Trading to Africa which have been
removed from the Office of the Lords Com-
missoners of His Majesty's Treasury and
deposited in the Public Record Office, but are
not considered of sufficient public value to
justify their preservation therein.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Standing
Committee A, to whom the Local Registration Committee A.
Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill was referred;
That they had gone through the Bill, and
directed him to report the same, without Amend-
ment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
No. 205. Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings
No. 205., of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill (not amended in the
Standing Committee) be taken into considera-
tion to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his War
Pembroke Writ to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a
new Writ for the election of a Member to serve
in this present Parliament for the County of
Pembroke, in the room of John Wyardes
Philpotts, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said
county, hath accepted the Office of
Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three
Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and
Burnham, in the County of Buckingham. —
(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Sir Joseph Compton-Rickett reported from the Taff Vale Committee on the Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords.]

Me, Pembroke
The Lords have added Two Lords to the Joint Committee appointed to consider the Companies (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], Post Office (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], and Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords], as desired by this House, and propose that the said Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room A on Wednesday next, at Two of the clock.

Ordered, That the Urban District Councils (Advertising) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Hobhouse presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Customs Duties in the Isle of Man: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Old Age Pensions Bill, and proceeded.

In the Committee.

Clause No. 7 (Determination of claims and questions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, to leave out the word "determined" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "by the pension officer."—(Mr. Bennett.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 15, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 16, to leave out the words "local pension committee, and the committee," in order to insert the words "stipendiary magistrate of the district, or, where there is no stipendiary magistrate, to the county court judge within whose jurisdiction the claimant or pensioner resides who."—(Sir Walter Foster.)

Question, That the words "local pension" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, to leave out the first word "committee," in order to insert the word "authority."—(Mr. Hills.)

Question proposed, That the first word "committee" stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word "and," to insert the words "except where such claim or question has been originated by the pension officer."—(Lord Cecil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, after the word "question," to insert the words "and within three days of its receipt."—(Sir Maurice Levy.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word "officer," to insert the words "with whom may be associated for the purpose of the inquiry such other person as the committee may appoint."—(Mr. Swinburne.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 24, after the word "question," to insert the words "and after hearing the claimant, if requested to
do so by him, or thought desirable by the committee."—(Mr. Bowles.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that a local pension committee may, and if the committee refuse a pension they shall, if required, state a case on any question of law arising as to the claim to a pension for the opinion of the High Court, and the High Court shall accordingly give its opinion thereon, and the local pension committee or central pension authority, as the case may be, shall determine such question in accordance with such opinion."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles M'Arthur] 
Yea, [Mr. Bridgeman] : 46. 
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 26, to leave out from the beginning to the first word "and," in l. 30, in order to insert the words—

"(c) The decision of the local pension committee allowing or refusing a claim for pension, or determining any question referred to them, shall, on the application of any person aggrieved or the pension officer, be referred to the central pension authority."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 26, stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Proposed words there inserted.

Subsequent words, to the first word "and," in l. 30, left out.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury] 

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 17th June, successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and on any Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Question put, That Clauses 8 and 9 stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia] 

Clause No. 10 (Regulations and expenses).
Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 31, after the word "Board," to insert the words "and with the Postmaster General (so far as relates to the Post Office)."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia] 

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia] 

Clause No. 11 (Application to Scotland and Ireland).
Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 30, to leave out the word "municipal."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Mr. George Faber] 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 41, at the end, to add the words—

"(3) In the application of this Act to the Isles of Scilly those isles shall be deemed to be a county and the council of those isles the council of a county, (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee proceeded to a Division; Mr. No Tellers for Joseph Pease and the Master of Eltham were the Noes. appointed Tellers for the Yeas, but no Members being willing to act as Tellers for the Noes, the Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 12 agreed to.

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—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, That the Schedule be added to the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease] 
Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts] 
Noe, [Mr. Charles Duncan] : 51.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 290, Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Oyster and Mussel Fishery (Bay of Firth) Order Confirmation Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of this instant July, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners Inquests Bill, as amended in the 'Standing Committee on the Coroners' Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land Supply Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Daylight Saving (recommitted) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Highways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Wild Birds Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dogs' Protection Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 96.]

Thursday, 2nd July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Cambrian Railways Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Paisley District Tramways Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.].

The Order made upon the 17th day of February last, That the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways Bill be committed, was read and discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of Commissioners-Copy of Code of Regulations for the Education, Public Elementary Schools in Wales (including Monmouthshire), with Schedules, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented.—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of June last, for a Return relative to Post Office (Changes in Wages, &c.).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order made upon the 18th day of June last, That there be laid before this House a Return to the Pensions (Civil List) List Pensions charged on the Consolidated Fund, distinguishing the Pensions granted under the Civil List Act, 1837, and those granted under the Civil List Act, 1901.—(Mr. Lamon.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of all persons now in receipt of Civil (Civil List) Pensions charged on the Consolidated Fund, distinguishing the Pensions granted under the Civil List Act, 1837, and those granted under the Civil List Act, 1901.—(Mr. Lamon.)

Mr. Partington reported from the Committee on the South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords.]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill [Lords.], and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Partington reported from the Committee on Private Bills on Group J of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lawrence Hardy reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Children Bill was Committee B, referred; That they had gone through the Bill Children Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir George White reported from the Committee on Group K of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill had stated that the evidence of Sydney Malkin, Mayor of Burslem, was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Sydney Malkin, Mayor of Burslem, do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Sydney Malkin do attend the Committee on Group K of Private Bills to-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Sir William Brampton Garton reported from Selection Committee, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of 1st July as relates to the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on the Companies (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], Post Office (Consolidation) Bill [Lords], and Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Frederick Cawley reported the Holderness Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Saums reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. O'Neill, supported by Sir John Brunei, Mr. Hubert Vivail, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Sir George White, presented a Bill to provide for the Registration of Teachers of Music; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to further amend the Law relating to Local Government in Ireland, and for other purposes connected therewith; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself supply into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, and Supplementary Estimate, 1908–9.

Class IV.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a supplementary sum not exceeding £114,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £11,900 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Hazleton):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

£20,918 to complete the sum for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, including a Grant in Aid of the Teachers' Pension Fund, Ireland.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainting the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £210,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £210,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of May last;

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bill Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords);
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Friendly Societies Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Patents and Designs Bill [Lords].
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Prevention of Crime [Expenses].
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Joseph Pease)—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed without Question put.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee);
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time. The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners' Inquests Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, that the Luggage (Definition) Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Urban District Councils (Advertiseing) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pedlars Acts Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions (Lords) for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Leith Burgh Bill [Lords].
Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Blaydon and Ryton Water (Transfer) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bromley and Crays Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Macclesfield and District Tramways Macclesfield (Abandonment) Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return giving particulars of cases in which persons have been reinstated according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations for the Territorial Force and the County Associations, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Dogs (Exemption) Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant July.

The Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of June last, That the Incest Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Police Superannuation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Police Superannuation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 13, by inserting, after the word "thereof," the words "Provided that the local authority, within the meaning of the same section, in the City of London shall be the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury], Yes, [Mr. Guinness]; 26.

Tellers for the [Mr. Dickinson], Noes, [Mr. Hart-Davies]; 93.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Police Superannuation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 5, by leaving out from Clause 1.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "lodger," in l. 8, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 5, by leaving out from the word "where" to the word "as," in l. 6, and inserting the words "a court of summary jurisdiction is satisfied by evidence produced before it that"—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Godfrey Baring):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
3rd July.

And the Original Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "a court of summary jurisdiction is satisfied by evidence produced before it that" be inserted, after the word "where," in p. 1, l. 6, of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 28, by leaving out from the third word "or" to the word "the," in p. 2, l. 2.

(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Sloan, Yeas, [Mr. Hazleton: ] 116.
Tellers for the Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, [Mr. Stanier: ] 23.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 10, by leaving out the words "or thing."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words "or thing" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Hazleton, Yeas, [Mr. Sloan: ] 124.
Tellers for the Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, [Mr. Stanley-Hill: ] 32.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Education (Local Authorities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power to establish joint bodies under Part II.)—(Mr. M'Kinnon Wood.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Godfrey Baring, Noes, [Mr. Stanley Wilson: ] 40.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Clause, in l. 5, by inserting, after the word "payment," the words "and audit."—(Lord Balcarres.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the said proposed Clause:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 26th day of June last, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Polling (Ireland) Bill, Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Which Amendment was, in p. 2, l. 9, at the end, to insert the words—

"(1) The Lord Lieutenant in Council may make rules for adapting to the provisions of this Act the enactments relating to the registration of electors in Ireland, and the precepts and forms contained in or used under those enactments"—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Coroner's Inquests Bills, and the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Daylight Saving, (recommenced) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Feus and Second Reading of the Feus and Building Leases (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time Bill, upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant July.

The Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill was, Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill, according to Order, read a second time, and Wearing

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee.
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Wild Birds Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dogs’ Protection Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords].
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Friendly Societies Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Patents and Designs Bill [Lords].
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Prevention of Crime [Expenses].
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir William Brampton Gardiner reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Access to Mountains Bill)—Mr. Bolton and Mr. Waldron; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill)—Mr. Ffrench and Mr. Augustine Roche.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Six George White reported from the Committee on Group K of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Soames reported from the Committee on the Ards and Bangor Railways Bill:
That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 30th day of June last, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution.
Mr. Soames further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had also amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill for [Title making railways in the County of Down, to be called the Ards Railways, and for other purposes.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then five minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 98.]

Monday, 6th July 1908.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Humberside Commercial Railway and Dock Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Louth and East Coast Railway (Transfer) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Seaham Harbour Dock Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southwell District Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Stockport Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

The Ammanford Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Honourable Artillery Company Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Tollemache Estate Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Paisley District Tramways Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Galashiels Drainage and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Kenzie presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the receipt and expenditure of Naval Prize, Bounty, Salvage, and other Moneys between the 1st April 1907 and the 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1908, during the month of October 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between the United Kingdom and Sweden and Norway relative to the Agreement of 12th July 1881, for the mutual Relief of Distressed Seamen. November 1907 — May 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of all deposits received and paid during the year ended 31st December 1907; together with a Statement showing the aggregate amount of the liabilities of the Government to depositors in the Post Office Savings Banks on the 31st December 1907, and the nature and amount of the securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to meet those liabilities at that date.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year ending 31st December 1907, on Friendly Societies, Workmen's Compensation Schemes, Industrial and Provident Societies, and Trade Unions.

Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report by the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies of the Proceedings of the Registrars under the Building Societies Acts, with an Abstract of the Annual Accounts and Statements of Societies for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Coroners' (Ireland) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Sir William Collins reported from the Select Hop Industry Committee on the Hop Industry; that they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Sewers and Drains Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Partington reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group J of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Lanarkshire Tramways Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Swansea Valley Gas Bill [Lords] (now Tawe Valley Gas Bill [Lords]), without any Amendment.
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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1881, relating to Bridgewater, Llandudno, and Whitby Bay; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1881, relating to Rothesay; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Brough Water, Burgess Hill Water, Earby and Thornton Gas, East Hull Gas, Sevenoaks Water, and Steeple Bridge Water; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Caldicot and District Gas, Rainford Gas, Rothwell Gas, Tenterden and District Gas, and Woolmer and District Gas; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Tramways Act, 1870, relating to Liverpool Corporation Board of Extensions and Poteries and North Staffordshire Tramways (Amendment); to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Tramways Act, 1870, relating to Troon (Loch Bradan) Water, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Troon (Loch Bradan) Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered (under section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, Vol. 152.) 1889) to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Conveyancing Bill be read Conveyancing a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Rule Committee Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Settled Land Bill be read Settled Land a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Old Business of Age Pensions Bill, if under discussion at Eleven the House of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—

(Mr. Asquith.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Coal Mines the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, (Eight Hours) upon the 22nd day of June last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day three months"—

(Mr. James Mason)

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 390.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Balfour);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.


So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Old Age into consideration the Old Age Pensions Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be recommitted in respect of the Schedule, and in respect of the Amendments to paragraphs (i.) and (ii.) of the proviso to paragraph (a) of Clause 5, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer as Amendments to be moved on recommittal—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after the first q q 4
word "of," the words "Clause 2 and."—(Mr. Carlyle.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Carlile, Yeas, (Mr. Remnant: ] 50.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after the first word "of," the words "Clause 3 and."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Yeas, (Mr. Henry Forster: ] 72.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of El Libank: ] 337.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:
—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be recommitted in respect of the Amendments to paragraphs (i.) and (ii.) of the proviso to paragraph (a) of Clause 3, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer as Amendments to be moved on recommittal.

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to, Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 25, to leave out from the word "exceed" to the end of the Schedule, in order to insert—

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—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to "as, ubi," in l. 26, stand part of the Schedule:

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Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of El Libank: ] 209.
Tellers for the [Mr. Holt, Noes, (Mr. Leif Jones: ] 117.

Question put, That this be the Schedule of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, Noes, (Mr. Charles Duncean: ] 54.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had amended Clause 3 of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill, Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Bill, Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Bill, Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans (Railway and Irrigation Works);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Isle of Man Second Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs Duties) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
Seeds Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Seeds Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Navigation Works (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.;] Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.;]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Companions Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companions Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Wages and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill.

Second Reading of the Bail Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fatal Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Friendly Societies Bill, Second Reading of the Friendly Societies (Ireland) Bill; as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords;]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Costs in consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases (Damages) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Crime [Expenses]; Crime (Damages) Bill [Lords;]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Married Third Reading of the Married Women's Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners' Third Reading of the Coroners' Inquests Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as (Ireland) Bill amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Daylight Committee on the Daylight Saving (recomm. Saving Bill, mitted) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cheap Trains Second Reading of the Cheap Trains Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which upon the 7th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Elections and Registration (London) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Buxton Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Association of Port Sanitary Authorities (Expenses) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pawning Industrial Tools Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Highways Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1876) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eighteen minutes after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Tuesday, 7th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Briton Ferry Urban District Council Briton Ferry Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; and the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That Mr. Munro Ferguson be dis-Selection, charged from the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Mr. Pirie be added to the Committee.—(Sir William Brampton Gorden.)

The Troom (Loch Bradan) Water Order Troom (Loch Bradan) Water Order [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Pirie be added to the Committee.—(Sir William Brampton Gorden.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Ordered, That so much of Standing Order 73 Provisional as provides that notice of the day on which a Bill for confirming any Provisional Order will be examined shall not be given until after the Bill has been printed and circulated be suspended for the remainder of the Session.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Intermediate Education (Ireland), which was presented upon the 23rd day of June last, be printed.
Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the City of Exeter under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Miscellaneous Series, No. 688.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland.)

Mr. Hobhouse presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of March last, for a Return relative to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland).

No. 215.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of March last, for a Return relative to Revenue and Expenditure (England, Scotland, and Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Revenue and Expenditure (England, Scotland, and Ireland.)

No. 216.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pharmacy Acts (Ireland.)

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Pharmacy Acts (Ireland), dated 3rd July 1908, approving of a Regulation made by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, dated 3rd July 1908, giving effect to Rules of Court.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Report (Annual.)

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 563 (Gibraltar, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Education.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations for the Training of Teachers of Domestic Subjects (in force from 1st August 1908).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Roads and Bridges (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the rate per pound of assessment levied for Roads and Bridges by County Councils in each county or district of a county in Scotland in each year from 1891-2 to 1907-8, inclusive.—(Mr. Erskine.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Members of the present House of Lords and of the present House of Commons who are in receipt of Pensions for service in the Colonies from colonial funds.—(Mr. Cooper.)

Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in (No. 2) Bill, the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords.

That with respect to the Resolution of the House of the 3rd day of March last the powers to construct Tramways Nos. 3, 4, and 5 had been struck out of the Bill during its passage through the House of Lords.

That the additional provision referred to in the Resolution of the House of the 17th day of March last had been inserted in the Bill in Committee of the House of Lords.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords.]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Stratford-upon-Avon, Trowcester, and Midland Junction Railways Bill [Lords.]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to incorporate the Sligo and Arigna Railway Company, and to amend them to construct a railway in the
Counties of Sligo and Roscommon, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Commercial Union Assurance Company Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Northern Assurance Company Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Lewis McLeod reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan District Railway Bill [Lords]; that they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Lewis McLeod reported the Barry Railway Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Walter Foster reported from the Select Committee on Commons; that they had considered the Report of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the inclusion of Town Trewan Common, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed by Parliament without modification.

Sir Walter Foster further reported from the Select Committee; that they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House.

No. 217. Ordered, That the Report and Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Finley Urban District Council Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by the House to the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c. Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Upton Town Hall Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1907, to enable the London County Council to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the Rural District of Rathdown (No. 1); to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Local Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Vehicular Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Bill be read a second time Monday next.

Sir Thomas Roe, supported by Mr. Godfrey Local Baring, Mr. Illingworth, Mr. William Leaver, Mr. Nield, Sir Horace Roberts, Mr. Lake White, Mr. Harwood-Banner, and Mr. Alfred Scott, presented a Bill to enable Local Authorities to advertise the attractions and advantages of their districts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Mr. Vivian, supported by Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Waterton, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Bowles, Sir William Collins, Mr. Waterlow, Sir William Bull, and Viscount Morpeth, presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts with respect to the combined drainage of two or more houses belonging to the same owner; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being National proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Military Training to amend the Territorial and Reserve Forces (No. 2) Act, 1907, and to establish National Military Training in the Territorial Forces.—(Captain Kincaid-Smith); And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who put the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in B. O. No. 11. pursuance of Standing Order No. 11.

The House divided. 

The Yeas; 

Mr. Broom; Mr. Beckett; Mr. Beckett. 

Noes; 

Mr. Maddison. 

So it passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Old Age Pensions Bills, as amended in the Committee and on recommittal.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Pension agents).—(Mr. Fell); And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;
Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words “Provided that a woman shall be deemed to have worked for the maintenance of herself and her dependents if she has kept house for others.”—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by leaving out the words “up to,” and inserting the words “immediately before”—(Lord Robert Cecil),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words “up to” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 32, by inserting, after the word “Act” to the end of p. 2, l. 36.—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 32, by inserting, after the word “him,” the words “provided that such property shall not be deemed to be capable of investment so as to bring in a larger return than at the rate of two and three-quarters per cent. per annum.”—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

And it being half an hour after Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th day of June last, to put forthwith the Question upon the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, p. 2, l. 21, by inserting, after the second word “he,” the words “shall have brought him-elf into a position to apply for a pension by reason of drunkenness, or idleness, or”—(Sir Frederick Baumber.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 39, by leaving out from the word "them" to the word "referred," in l. 40, and inserting the words "within the time and in the manner prescribed by regulations under this Act, and any claim or question in respect of which an appeal is so brought shall stand."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas were:

Tellers for the "Mr. Joseph Pease,"
Yea, [Master of Eiibank]
Tellers for the "Viscount Valentia,"
Noes, [Lord Edmund Talbot]: 82.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Coroners' Inquests Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill (not yet amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Coroners (Ireland) (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as (Ireland) Bill, amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 31st day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Superannuation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Open Spaces (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Assessments Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railway Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Long Ashton Charity Bill;
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Qualification (England and Wales) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of February last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow,

And then the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ards Railways Bill (changed from Ards and Bangor Railways Bill), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. Sinclair, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Holderness Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. Sinclair, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Pontypridd Water Bill Pontypridd [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rochester Bridge Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Leith Burgh Bill [Lords] was read a Leith Burgh second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Galashiels Drainage and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into and report upon certain matters connected with the manufacture and sale of Whiskey and other Potable Spirits, with Minutes of Evidence.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for Explosions (Benwell and Whitehaven Collieries).
Redmayne, His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Mines, on the Explosions which occurred at the Benwell Colliery on 19th March 1907 and the Whitehaven Colliery on 26th November 1907.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by J. R. Atkinson, M.C., one of His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at Washington "Glebe" Colliery, near Birley, Durham, on 20th February 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bunyan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations for the Training of Teachers for Secondary Schools.

Copy of Scheme for a new Teachers Registration Council, proposed to the Board of Education by the Representatives of certain Educational Associations.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordinance Survey.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to the 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series).

Secretory Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4057 and 4058.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Inquiry into Charities (County of London).

No. 218.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August 1894, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners in the result of an inquiry held in every parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of London into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that county, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such parish, whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the book of the Charity Commissioners in the parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of names and places mentioned in the Reports.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Standing Committee C. Irish Universities Bill.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Irish Universities Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 896.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 16th day of this instant July; and be printed.

Wyre Fisheries Provisional Order Bill.

Mr. Parvington reported from the Committee on the Wyre Fisheries Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £167,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £166,900 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Barnes.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Charles Duncans : 90.

Tellers for the Noes, Master of Elibank : 205.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £1,334,600 for Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances.

3. £868,800 for Half Pay and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines.

4. £377,400 for Civil Pensions and Gratuities.

Resolutions to be reported.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,998 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board for Scotland, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,998 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Arthur Bignold.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.
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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,783 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 10th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Sewers and Drains) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Death Certificates (Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Act (1875) Amendment (Water Rights) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pedlars Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs' Protection Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Then the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 101.]

Thursday, 9th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MOTION being made, That the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

Secretary Sir Edward Grey, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Troon (Loch Bradan) Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Wye Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vidce Stath Report.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the form of Contract in use in connection with the recruitment of Native Labourers for the Transvaal Mines in Portuguese East Africa.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of March last, for a Return relative to Deer Forests (Highland) Crofting Counties.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations for Technical Education, Schools, Schools of Art, and other forms of provision of further Education in England and Wales (from 1st August 1908 to 31st July 1909).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-eighth Annual Report of the Deputy Master and Comptroller of the Mint, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Further Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Charities Inquiry into Charities (County of Devon).

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House upon a Return showing respectively for each month, (Ireland) January to June inclusive, the number of Cattle-drives, of cases of firing into houses and at persons, of Boycotting (complete and partial), of prosecutions for foregoing offences, of results of prosecutions, of claims for malicious injuries, amount of awards, number of appeals against awards, &c., in the form set out as under:—

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—(Mr. Leondale.)

Mr. Partington reported the Thames River Steamboat Service Act, 1904 (Amendment) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Partington reported from the Committee on the Usk Fisheries Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; and that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Post Office Savings Bank Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 223.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 307.

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Telegraph (Construction) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 224.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 308.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Registration Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Colonel Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Herbert Samuel, and Mr. Attorney General; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Birrell, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. Poulton; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Hobhouse.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) Bill) (No. 2): Mr. W. J. Walker, Mr. Hastings Dunlop, Mr. Vivian, Mr. Cave, Lord Willoughby de Eresby, and Colonel Sir A. A. Herbert; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) Mr. Hemmerde, Mr. Beck, Mr. Albert Stanley, Mr. Hicks Beach, Mr. Bowles, and Mr. Ellis Davies.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had added to Standing Committee C the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) Bill) (No. 2): Mr. W. J. Walker, Mr. G. C. Cory, Mr. Walton, Mr. Markham, Mr. James Mason, Mr. Baldwin, Sir A. A. Herbert, Mr. McArthur, Mr. John Wilson, Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Thomas Richards, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Glover, and Mr. Keir Hardie.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords one of their Clerks, as follows:—The Lords have agreed to the Leeds Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the House desires the concurrence of this House.

No. 225.
The Lords have agreed to the Doncaster Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act conferring further powers on the Rhyneyn and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Rhyneyn and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill 312.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate and amend the Law relating to Summary Jurisdiction and Criminal Procedure in Scotland—(The Lord Advocate);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 11.

The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltham : ] 261.  
Tellers for the [Earl Winterton, Mr. Bowles : ] 55.  

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to regulate and amend the Law relating to Summary Jurisdiction and Criminal Procedure in Scotland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Old Age Pensions Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Asquith.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months." —(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word " now " stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being half an hour after Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of June last, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 315.  

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Oyster and Mussel Fishery (Bay of Firth) Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [28th May] upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the First of the Resolutions, which, upon the 10th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of [3rd July] the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Mr. Joseph Pease reported from the Committee of Supply of the 8th day of this instant July several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—Navy Estimates, 1908–9.

1. That a sum not exceeding £157,000 be Educational granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense Services, of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,334,600 be Naval and granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses Marine Services.
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3. That a sum not exceeding £868,800 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Half Pay and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

4. That a sum not exceeding £377,400 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Pensions and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

The said Resolutions being read a second time:

The First Resolution was postponed.

The Second and Third Resolutions were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Fourth Resolution be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the postponed Resolution be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Adjourned.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Joseph Pass.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 102.]

Friday, 10th July 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill [Lords].

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords].

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords].

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Lords].

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords].

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Leicester Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to two of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

The Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and, with Amendments, agreed to.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Postponed Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Postponed Water and Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Galashiels Drainage and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Wye Fisheries Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Usk Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sir Edward Strachey presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Inclusion Acts, 1846 to 1899, relating to Towns and Burghs in Common, in the County of Anglesey.

Ordered, That Standing Order 135a be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Colonel Sir Iorr Herbert and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Ellis Davies.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Ellis Davies.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Sir George White reported from the Committee of Selection on Group K of Private Bills; That the Committee of Selection on Group K, parties opposing the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill had stated that the evidence of Hugh Worthington Adams, Coroner for the North West Division of Staffordshire, was essential to their case; and, it having
Private Bills (Group K.)

Sir George White reported from the Committee on Group K of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, until the Adjournment for the autumn holidays, Government Business be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed; that, at the conclusion of Government Business each day, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put; and that no Motions be made to bring in Bills under Standing Order No. 11.—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank] 203.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Sir Hudson Hoare).

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Patents and Designs Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. T. W. Russell.)

The Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. T. W. Russell.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be recommitted to the former Committee—(Mr. Hugh Barrie);—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the House proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Application of dormant portion of Irish Suitors' Fund to purposes of Housing Acts).—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l. 9, by leaving out the words "and the unclaimed order and residue account, Land Judge's Court."—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Clause was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Creation and application of Irish Housing Fund).—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension to certain towns of Part II. of the Act of 1890) —(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Rates of interest on loans).—(Mr. Clancy.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill in p. 1, l. 15, by leaving out subsection (2) of Clause 1.—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "so," in p. 1, l. 17, stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Always provided that such borrowings do not exceed the present limitations by more than one-third."—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Sir Frederick Banbury] 34.
Tellers for the Noes, [Captain Donelan] 190.

So it was passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 1, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)
And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "during," in p. 5, l. 28, stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. —Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 35, by leaving out Clause 6. —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "For," in p. 4, l. 13, stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 26, by leaving out Clause 9. —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "dying," in p. 5, l. 28, stand part of the Bill;—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;—
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Capt. Donelan, Mr. Patrick O'Brien ;)

Tellers for the Noes, (Sir Frederick Banbury, Captain Craig ;)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. —Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Wild Birds Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

The Isle of Man (Customs Duties) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Prevention of Crime [Expenses.]

(Resolved to be reported.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the cost of establishing Borstal Institutions, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the prevention of Crime, and for other purposes incidental thereto, and to authorise the payment to societies of any expenses incurred by them under such Act in assisting or supervising persons discharged from a Borstal Institution.—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the Second Reading of the Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill;—

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the Contempts of Court Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];—

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being, for the Constabulary Committee on Constabulary [Pay, &c.] (Ireland);—

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the Bill Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for taking Post Office Savings Bank Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for taking Telegraph Construction Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;—

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being, for the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, it being then eleven minutes before six of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 103.]

Monday, 13th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Doncaster Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c. Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Swinton and Mexborough Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Rochester Bridge Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Wales Railway Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Northern Assurance Company Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Army, Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Advisory Board, London School of Economics, on the Second Course at the London School of Economics, October 1907 to March 1908, for the Training of Officers for the higher appointments on the Administrative Staff of the Army, and for the charge of Departmental Services.

Mr. Secretary Haldane also presented, pur-Army, at the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Rules of Procedure for Courts-Martial.

Copy of further Rules for Military Prisons Army, and Detention Barracks.

Copy of further Regulations for the Army Army. Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Table of Contents and Appendix to the Sixty-second Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy (presented 29th June).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, came into force, for each class of the Offences specified in sections II. and VII. of the Act, in the following form:

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5. **Soliciting contributions for dito.**

**Section VII.**

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July.

**Ordered, That the Places of Worship (Enfranchisement) Bill.**

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage and Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreeed to the Metropolitan Commons Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Camborne Water Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for making further provision respecting the undertaking and debenture stock of the Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords.] for and for other purposes; and the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for incorporating and conferring powers upon the London and District Electricity Supply Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords.] was read the first time. **Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.**

The London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords.] was read the first time. **Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.**

Sir John Jardine, supported by Mr. Barnes, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Laidlaw, Mr. Murray Macdonald, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Molteno, Captain Murray, Mr. Charles Price, Mr. Tennant, and Mr. Eugene Wason, presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts for the more effectual preservation and increase of Salmon and Trout, and for regulating and improving the Fisheries in the River Tweed and the rivers and streams running into the same, and also within the mouth or entrance of the said river, and for other purposes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. **Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July.**

Mr. McKenna presented a Bill to authorise, Naval for the purpose of Marriages in the United Kingdom, the publication of banns and the issue of Marriage Bill. Certificates on board His Majesty's Ships in certain cases: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed. **Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July.**

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Nineteenth allotted Day.)** Navy Estimates, 1908–9.**

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,936,200 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses for the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., including the cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1809:
Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a sum not exceeding £2,936,100 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Summerbell)—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £4,157,000 for Material for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., including the cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad.

3. £1,220,700 for Contract Work for Shipbuilding, Repairs, &c.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,286,400 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

4. Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £2,258,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank: 167.
Tellers for the (Mr. Claude Hay, Noes, (Major Anstruther-Gray: 5.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £23,909 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Maritime Law, including the cost of Naval Prisons at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was heretofore reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.
That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the cost of establishing Borstal Institutions, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the prevention of Crime, and for other purposes incidental thereto, and to authorise the payment to societies of any expenses incurred by them under such Act in assisting or supervising persons discharged from a Borstal Institution.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Post Office Savings Bank Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Post Office Savings Bank Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fatal Accidents (Damages) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Wild Birds Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Wild Birds Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Telegraph (Construction) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Costs in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill, Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Council Second Reading of the Army Council Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) (Criminal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Children Bill into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration Second Reading of the Registration Bill Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords] ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House on the 10th day of this instant July, it being then a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Army and Population), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exemption times to the Army Regulations as to Non-effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year 1907–8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's East India Command,—Copy of Administration Report on the Railways in India for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Education Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 13th July 1908, providing for Special Grants in Aid of certain School Boards in Scotland.

[No. 104.]

Tuesday, 14th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Rhyneym and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Ponytrpydd Water Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.
Vot. 185.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords] be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That in the case of the Nottingham-shire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2) Bill Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chair man of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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MacNeill, Mr. Bright, Sir Henry Cotton, Mr.

Byles, Mr. Manfield, and Mr. Bertram, presented a Bill to classify Murders, and to amend the Law with regard to Suicide and Infanticide:

And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Bottomley presented a Bill to compel bankers, solicitors, and others, having in their possession Property of deceased persons having notice of their death, to hand over same to the executors or other legal representatives of such persons:

And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Finance Bill

into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Duty on tea).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, to leave out the words "or Ireland."—(Mr. Ket tle.)

Question put, That the words "or Ireland" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eliebank: 307.]

Tellers for the [Captain Donela, Mr. Patrick; 73.] Mr. Cansdale.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out the word "five," in order to insert the word "three."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question put, That the word "five" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eliebank: 230.]

Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, 91. Mr. Charles Duscan; 1230.] Mr. Patrick.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, at the end, to add the words "except in the case of tea produced in any country forming part of the British Empire, in which case the duty shall be charged at the rate of four pence per pound."—(Mr. Fell.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Fell, Yeas, Mr. Ashley: 34.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Eliebank: 251.]

Mr. Hazleton, supported by Mr. Kettle, Mr. Irish Education Act, 1892: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. M'Kenna presented a Bill to extend the Naval Lands Military Acts to Naval Volunteers: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 318.

Bill 317.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Briton Ferry Urban District Council Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Copy of Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, being for the year 1907. Part II., Salmon Fisheries.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills have leave to sit this day after Four of the clock.—(Mr. Erskine.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, in respect of each county in England and Wales, the number of the various Local Taxation Licences issued in the year ending the 31st day of March 1906, under the heads set out in the Report of the Inland Revenue Commissioners, 1906-7 (Table XL., columns 1, pages 52-56).—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. David Alfred Thomas, Mr. Courthope, Mr. Wyndham, Mr. Soares, and Mr. John Robertson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Bethell, Sir Edward Streachey, Mr. Egerton, Mr. Rennan, and Mr. Dickinson.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill):—Major M'Nab and Mr. Aidan; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. David Alfred Thomas and Mr. Menzies.

Sir William Holland reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, Education (Scotland) Bill, No. 227.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Reduction of sugar duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, after the word "allowance," to insert the words "in the case of Great Britain."—(Mr. Kettle.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Yeas, (Mr. Kettle: ) 55.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of Elibank: ] 235.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, after the word "eight," to insert the words "until the first day of July nineteen hundred and nine; when all duties upon sugar, molasses, glucose, and saccharin, upon the importation thereof into Great Britain or Ireland, shall cease."—(Mr. Harold Cox.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, after the word "eight," to insert the words "in full shall be substituted for three pence, in order to insert the words "in full shall be substituted for three pence, in respect of every full sum of one hundred pounds and any fractional part of one hundred pounds thereby insured."—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 16, to leave out the words "shall be substituted for three pence," in order to insert the words "in full shall be substituted for three pence, in respect of every full sum of one hundred pounds and any fractional part of one hundred pounds thereby insured."—(Mr. Markham.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 21, at the end, to add the words "and five shillings shall be substituted for ten shillings as the stamp duty chargeable under section nine of the Inland Revenue Act, 1906."—(Mr. Bridge man.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That
the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time ----The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Telegraph (Construction) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time ——The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Women’s Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 16th day of this instant July, it being then five minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
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Wednesday, 15th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Garw and Ogmore Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Taff Vale Railway Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Criminal and Judicial Statistics of Ireland for the year 1907. Part I., Criminal Statistics.

Mr. Birrell also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of May last, for Returns relative to Labourers (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on the 11th March 1908, amending Statute XVI., Clause 12, of the Statutes of the House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract of the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Harwich Harbour Conservancy Board, from the time of their incorporation down to and inclusive of the 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers regarding (1) Orakzais, Request of certain Class to be taken under British Administration; (2) Zakka Khel Affairs, Operations; (3) Mohmands, Operations.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Secly presented, by His Majesty's East Africa Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to Affairs in the East Africa Protectorate.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Civil Service Command,—Estimate of the further sums required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1909.

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Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the Speaker's directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1859, dated 8th July 1908, declaring that for the due and efficient discharge of the duties of the Office of Auditor in the Local Government Board for Ireland professional or other peculiar qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired on the Public Service are required.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Ordered, That there shall be laid before this House Taxation and a Return showing (1) the Rates of Duties, Taxes, or Imposts collected by imperial officers; (2) the quantities or amounts taxed; (3) the gross receipts derived from each Duty; and (4) the net receipts and appropriations thereof in the year ending the 31st day of March 1908; and (1) the aggregate gross receipts derived from all such Duties, Taxes, or Imposts under the principal heads of revenue; (2) the aggregate net receipts; (3) the charges of collection; and (4) the produce, after deducting these charges, in each of the ten years ending the 31st day of March 1908; and notes to show any changes in the Taxes, Duties, and Imposts consequent upon the acceptance of the Budget proposals of 1908 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 281 of Session 1907).—(Sir Daniel Goddard.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House County and Borough Councils Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1909, and a Return showing the number of Women in England and Wales who are qualified to vote for County Councils and for Councillors in Municipal Boroughs, indicating in each case what is the qualification which enables a Woman to be placed on the Register.—(Mr. Cameron Corbett.)

Six Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Public Rights of Way Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Six Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Municipal Elections Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Mr. Hall reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee; That in the case of the Ravensthorpe Urban District Council Bill [Lords] they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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t to the Yeas.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Leicester Corporation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rider Bridge Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Mr. Dickinson, supported by Mr. Barker, Sir John Benn, Mr. Backmaster, Mr. Timothy Davies, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Mackand, Sir Charles Mclaren, and Mr. Roundland, presented a Bill to improve the position of Tenants of certain Houses, Shops, and other buildings in Great Britain: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented a Bill to make better provision for the health and safety of persons employed in certain Building Operations and Engineering Works, and purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. T. W. Russell presented a Bill to amend section sixty-seven of the Grand Jury (Ireland) Act, 1836, with respect to Piers, Quays, and other works, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

Clause No. 7 (Income tax for 1908–9).
Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 35, to leave out the words "one shilling," in order to insert the words "eleven pence." — (Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question put, That the words "one shilling" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yeas, [Master of Elibank: 242.
Tellers for the [Mr. Samuel Roberts,] Noes, [Mr. Levett Harris: 38.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 36, after the word "tax," to insert the words "except such as relate to the method of assessment of the profits of companies and corporations." — (Mr. Fell)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.
Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 8 to No. 10 agreed to.
A Clause (Husband and wife)—(Mr. Watt)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yeas, [Mr. Ashley: 32.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Noes, [Master of Elibank: 237.

Another Clause (Compulsory personal declaration of income)—(Mr. Chosa Money)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Repeal of duty on raw cocoa)—(Mr. Hunt)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 12 of the Finance Act, 1894)—(Mr. Hicks Beach)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Meaning of earned incomes)—(Lord Robert Cecil)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Repeal of excess duty on hackney carriages)—(Mr. Bridgeham)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 12 of the Finance Act, 1898)—(Mr. Laurence Hardy)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.
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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Second Reading of the Companies Bill [Lords;] Bill [Lords;]
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 16th July 1908:

The Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Birrell.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Married Women's Property Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Bill, as amended in the Lords; Bill [Lords;]
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) (Pay, Ireland)
&c.; Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, (Scotland) Bill
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Lands Second Reading of the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then twenty-eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Lanark Provisional Order under the Private Legislation (Extension of Boundaries) Act, 1899, relating to Lanark Corporation: and the same was ordered (under section 9 of the Act) to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Labourers (Ireland), which was presented upon (Ireland.) the 16th day of this instant July, be printed. No. 232.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His late Majest's Command, the Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report on the Office of Care and Control of the (Peeble-Minded) Commission. Vol. VIII., Report.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, the Report of the University of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on the 11th March 1908, amending Statute III., Part II., 12, of the Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on the 28th February 1908, and sealed on the 11th March 1908, amending Statute III., Part II., 12, of the Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on the 28th February 1908, and sealed on the 3rd March 1908, amending Statute 12a, No. 234.

Copy of Statutes made by the University of Cambridge under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (sealed on the 27th March 1908), amending Chapter VI., Statute B, sections 12 and 13, Chapter VII., Statute B, sections 2 and 4, and adding paragraphs 8 and 9 to Chapter VII., Statute B, of the Statutes of the University.

Copy of Seven Orders in Council under the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876, dated 4th July 1908, Acts, 1876 and 1877, relating to the ensuing Winter Assizes.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and Merchant Shipping Act, 1877, dated 4th July 1908, adding to the exemptions from the Act, 1877, Light Dues in the Second Schedule to the (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and Workmen's Compensation Act, 1896, dated 4th July 1908, empowering the (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, of the Merchant Shipping Act (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898.

Mr. Walter, Mr. Preece, and Mr. Johnstone presented a Petition from the County Borough of Blackpool under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runnean presented, pursuant to the University of the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Oxford and of Statute made by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on No. 233, the 11th March 1908, amending Statute III., Part II., 12, of the Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on the 28th February 1908, and sealed on the 3rd March 1908, amending Statute 12a, No. 234.

Copy of Statutes made by the University of Cambridge under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (sealed on the 27th March 1908), amending Chapter VI., Statute B, sections 12 and 13, Chapter VII., Statute B, sections 2 and 4, and adding paragraphs 8 and 9 to Chapter VII., Statute B, of the Statutes of the University.

Copy of Seven Orders in Council under the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876, dated 4th July 1908, Acts, 1876 and 1877, relating to the ensuing Winter Assizes.
Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 4th July 1908, entitled the Cyprus Courts of Justice Order, 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, and Consular Salaries and Fees Act, 1891, dated 4th July 1908, entitled the China (Passenger Ships’ Fees) Order in Council, 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 4th July 1908, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, praying suspension to the extension of the period of full-pay sick leave in certain cases and under certain conditions.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, be printed.

Mr. Harcourt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report by the House Governor and Medical Superintendent at Osborne for the year ending 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Honourable Artillery Company Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Tollemache Estate Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Leith Burgh Bill [Lords], with Amendments. Vol. 163.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Paullson reported from the Select Committee on Employment of Military in Cases of Disturbances: That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 236. Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to make provision with respect to the tenure of office of Masters of Endowed Schools; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to enable His Majesty’s Postmaster General to acquire Lands in London, Glasgow, Bolton, Devonport, Dover, Ilford, and Stroud for the Public Service, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Appellate Jurisdiction Bill, to amend the Law with respect to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, and the Court of Appeal in England; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to enable His Majesty’s Postmaster General to acquire Lands in London, Glasgow, Bolton, Devonport, Dover, Ilford, and Stroud for the Public Service, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1907, with respect to the compulsory acquisition of tenants’ Land; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to make provision with respect to the tenure of office of Masters of Endowed Schools; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to make provision with respect to the tenure of office of Masters of Endowed Schools; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act for the preservation of the underground Sources of the River Wandle; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Falkirk and District Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered (under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Post Office Sites Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords], with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. Sydney Booton.)

Mr. William Thorne, supported by Mr. Steadman, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Gill, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. James Haslam, and Mr. Wilkes, presented a Bill to provide for the Nationalisation of Canals and Railways: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Revenue Departments.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £11,821,531 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A. (Chief Offices) be reduced by £100.—(Dr. Rutherford.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 27th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fourth of the Resolutions which, upon the 9th day of this instant July, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 8th day of this instant July;
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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Friendly Societies Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Companies Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Married Women's Property Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vide Sixth Report. Ordered, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Fourth Report of the Viceregal Commissioners on Irish Railways.

Copy of Appendix to the Fourth Report of Irish Railways the Viceregal Commissioners on Irish Railways. Ordered, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to inquire into and report upon the subject of Agricultural Education in England and Wales, with a Copy of the Minutes appointing the Committee, and Appendices.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to inquire into and report upon the subject of Agricultural Education in England and Wales, and Index. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County Borough of Newport under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4052 and 4059 to 4065.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill) :—Mr. Murray; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) : Mr. Dudley Ward.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill) :—Sir Francis Edwards; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) : Mr. Robert Harcourt.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A :—Mr. Sorens; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Handloom Weaving (Ireland) Bill) : Mr. Walters.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B :—Mr. Bethell; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill) : Sir John Bethell.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Rose reported the Ammanford Urban District Council Water Bill (Lords), with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir George White reported from the Committee on Group K of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of the parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Francis Layland-Barratt reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee; That in the case of the Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Licensing Bill, and necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating thereto, shall be proceeded with as follows:—

1. Committee Stage.

Nineteen allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and the proceedings in Committee on each allotted day shall be those shown in the second column of the table annexed to this Order, and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table:

2. Report Stage.

Five allotted days shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and the proceedings for each of those allotted days shall be such as may be hereafter determined in manner provided by this Order, and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on each such allotted day:

3. Third Reading.

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings therein shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day:

On the conclusion of the Committee stage the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without any motion put, and the House may then proceed to consider the proposals made by the Government for the allocation of the proceedings on the Report stage of the Bill between the allotted days given to that stage. The proceedings on the consideration of those proposals may be entered on at any hour, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House, but if they are not brought to a conclusion before the expiration of two hours after they have been commenced the Speaker shall, at the expiration of that time, bring them to a conclusion by putting the Question on the Motion proposed by the Government, after having put the Question, if necessary, on any Amendment or other Motion which has been already proposed from the Chair and not disposed of:

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution relating thereto is put down as the first Order of the day, followed by the Bill. Provided that 5 p.m. shall be substituted for 10.30 p.m. as the time at which proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under the foregoing provisions on any allotted day which is a Friday, but Friday shall not be considered an allotted day for the purpose of the sixth or seventh allotted days:

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments, new Clauses, or Schedules moved by the Government of which notice has been given, before other Amendments, Clauses, or Schedules, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added.
to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause:

A Motion may be made by the Government to leave out any Clause or consecutive Clauses of the Bill before the consideration of any Amendments to the Clause or Clauses in Committee:

The Question on a Motion made by the Government to leave out any Clause or Clauses of the Bill shall be put forthwith by the Chairman or Speaker without Debate:

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. on any allotted day shall, instead of being taken on that day as provided by the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

An allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate any allotted day or part of an allotted day being given to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other Business being proceeded with on any allotted day or part of an allotted day in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House after the Business to be proceeded with or concluded under this Order on the allotted day or part of the allotted day has been disposed of:

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—(Mr. Asquith);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House declines to continue the practice of passing Procedure Resolutions to deal with the later stages of particular Bills, and calls upon the Government to lay before it proposals for settling the procedure of this House on a permanent basis"—(Lord Robert Cecil), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 4, stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yea, Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank; 226.

Tellers for the Noe, Mr. Henry Forster: 101.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 4, stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yea, Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 221.

Tellers for the Noe, Mr. Henry Forster: 101.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 15, by leaving out "10.30," and inserting "11.0"—(Mr. Laurence Hardy), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "10.30" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.  X X
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 16, by leaving out the word " One," and inserting the word " Two "—(Mr. Frederick Banbury)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word " One" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 22, by leaving out the words " then proceed to," and inserting the words " on a subsequent day"—(Mr. Laurence Hardy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words " on a subsequent day" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 40, by leaving out the words " moved by the Government."—(Mr. Pell.)

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. A. rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,
Yea,
 Master of Elibank ;
Noes,
 Mr. Henry Forster ;
] 209.

[Mr. Joseph Pease,
Yea,
 Master of Elibank ;
Noes,
 Mr. Henry Forster ;
] 88.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being accordingly put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia,
Yea,
 Master of Elibank ;
Noes,
 Mr. Henry Forster ;
] 209.

[Viscount Valentia,
Yea,
 Master of Elibank ;
Noes,
 Mr. Henry Forster ;
] 89.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Licensing Bill, and the necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating thereto, shall be proceeded with as follows:—

1. Committee Stage.

Nineteen allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and the proceedings in Committee on each allotted day shall be those shown in the second column of the table annexed to this Order, and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table.

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Five allotted days shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and the proceedings for each of those allotted days shall be such as may be hereafter determined in manner provided by this Order, and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on each such allotted day.

3. Third Reading.

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

On the conclusion of the Committee stage the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put, and the House shall on a subsequent day consider the proposals made by the Government for the allocation of the proceedings on the Report stage of the Bill between the allotted days given to that stage.

The proceedings on the consideration of those proposals may be entered on at any hour, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House, but if they are not brought to a conclusion before the expiration of two hours after they have been commenced the Speaker shall, at the expiration of that time, bring them to a conclusion by putting the Question on any Amendment proposed by the Government, after having put the Question, if necessary, on any Amendment or other Motion which has been already proposed from the Chair and not disposed of.

A Motion may be made by the Government to leave out any Clause or consecutive Clauses of the Bill before the consideration of any Amendments to the Clause or Clauses in Committee.

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On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, Standing Orders relating to the Sittings of the House shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommence the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Third Reading of the Finance Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Registration Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Alteration of time for notice of appeal from revising barrister's decision).

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Companies Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to companies incorporated in British possessions to hold land).

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Earl Winterton),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Married Women's Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Lands Second Reading of the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill; 

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then ten minutes before Six of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 108.]

Monday, 20th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.—

River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 16th day of July, That in the case of the following Bill the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.—

Post Office Sites Bill [Lords].

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Finchley Urban District Council Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glynncoorwg Urban District Council Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wishaw Burgh Electricity, &c. Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Aire and Alne and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

Mr. Burns, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Tollemache Estate Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Motion being made, That the Dover Dover Graving Docks Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Burns, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Rhyneey and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Falkirk and District Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Lanark Corporation (Extension of Boundaries, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The Commons Regulation (Towyn Trewan) Commons Regulation (Towyn Trewan) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Revised Draft of the Articles of a Charter under the Irish Universities Bill, for the University to have its seat in Belfast.

Copy of Revised Draft of the Articles of a Charter under the Irish Universities Bill, for the College to have its seat in Dublin.
Copy of Revised Draft of the Articles of a new Charter under the Irish Universities Bill, for the constituent College at Cork.

Copy of Revised Draft of the Articles of a new Charter under the Irish Universities Bill, for the constituent College at Galway.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Third and Fourth Reports of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to examine, and, where necessary, to test, Appliances designed to diminish danger to men employed in Railway Service.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Fourth Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for the year 1907.

Copy of Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire concerning the Care and Control of the Feeble-Minded. Minutes of Evidence and Appendices. Vols. L.—VII.

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Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Fifty-second Report of His Majesty’s Civil Service Commissioners, with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hablone presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return for the year ended 31st March 1908 of Pensions specially granted under Articles 718, 1089, and 1124 of the Pay Warrant.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of April last, for a Return relative to Loans contracted by Local Authorities.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statement of Particulars of Loans of which the Balances outstanding are proposed to be remitted or written off (in whole or in part) from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Ordered, That the said Paper accordingly presented the said Paper.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the University of Durham Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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The Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordsships will be pleased to communicate to this House a Copy of the Manuscripts of the House of Lords, Volume IV. (New Series).—(Sir Thomas Esmonde.)

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairman’s Panel; That they had discharged Sir Francis Channing from being Chairman of Standing Committee A, and had appointed Mr. Eugene Wason to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A in his place.

That they had discharged Sir David Brymnor Jones from being Chairman of Standing Committee B, and had appointed Sir Francis Channing to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B in his place.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Kent, Singleton and Knightridge Electric Lighting Company, Limited; the Notting Hill Electric Supply Company, Limited; and Pall Mall Electric Light Company, Limited, the Westminster Electric Supply Corporation,
London Electric Supply Bill [Lords.] The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon certain of the London Electric Supply Companies; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London Electric Supply Bill [Lords.] The London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Hobhouse presented a Bill to continue various expiring Laws: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Robert Pearce, supported by Mr. Burt, Mr. Cobbold, Mr. Charles Corbett, Mr. Gilliland, Mr. Kettle, Mr. Remsen McDonald, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Snowden, Mr. Stoiber, and Mr. Osmond Williams, presented a Bill to limit the Punishment consequent on certain offences of a political character to imprisonment as first-class Misdemeanants: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

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Mr. Hobhouse presented a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

Limited; and the Central Electric Supply Company, Limited, with respect to the supply of electrical energy, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Statutory reduction of on-licences required).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, at the beginning, to insert the words "Quarter sessions on a reference from."—(Mr. Younger.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-] Yes, [Viscount Valentia:] 128.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Noes, [Master of Eltibank:] 299.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, at the beginning, to insert the words "A committee of the."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Robert Cecil,] Yeas, [Mr. Goulding:] 122.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Noes, [Master of Eltibank:] 315.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "justices," to insert the words "if it be shown to their satisfaction that the number of on-licences in any district is excessive, having regard to the needs of the population."—(Sir Francis Lowe.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "if," to insert the words "on the presentation of a requisition signed by not less than one-tenth of the parishioners in the district."—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment.—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Francis Lowe,] Yeas, [Mr. Lane-Fox:] 121.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Noes, [Master of Eltibank:] 310.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "justices," to insert the words "unless they certify to the Secretary of State that it is unnecessary to do so."—(Earl Winterston.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Debate arising;

Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yes, [Master of Eltibank:] 298.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-] Noes, [Viscount Valentia:] 122.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-] Yes, [Viscount Valentia:] 124.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Noes, [Master of Eltibank:] 290.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Asquith)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords.] ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Lands Second Reading of the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Marriages Bill;  
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Women's Property Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;  
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];  
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;  
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Jury (Ireland) Act [1858] Amendment Bill;  
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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Wath and Rotherham Gas Board Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, dated 17th July 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Kent) Order of 1908.

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Secretary, Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4066 to 4070.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Sir George White reported from the Committee on Group K of Private Bills; That, for (Group K.) the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the said Orders; that the
said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an
Amendment, to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-
morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour
Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the said Order; that the
said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an
Amendment, to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-
morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government
Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the said Orders; that the
said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an
Amendment, to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Tramways
Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the said Orders; that the said
Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without
Amendment, to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
ideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting
Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the said Orders; that the
said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without
Amendment, to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time
to-morrow.

Mr. Beale reported from the Select Committee to whom the Trusts Bill was referred; that
they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House.
Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a message had been brought from the Lords by one
of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Galashiels Drainage and Burgh Extension Order Con-
firmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill, with Amend-
ments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Widnes Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which
the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Tyne Improvement Bill, with Amendments; to which the
Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Metropolitan District
Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Taff Vale Railway
Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Northern Assurance
Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Commercial Union
Assurance Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Acts relating to Crofters'
Holdings in Scotland; to amend the Crofted Parishes (Scotland) Act, 1897, to facilitate the
provision for small Agricultural Holdings in Crofted Parishes in Scotland, and for other
purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the
Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Glasgow and South Western
Railway; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Glasgow and South Western Railway was ordered (under section 7 of the Private Legislation
Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Licensing Committee.

Clause No. 1 (Statutory reduction of on-
licences required).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "shall," to insert the words "in
any municipal borough or urban district having a population according to the last census for
the time being of over ten thousand."—(Mr. Gretton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the word "reduce," in order to insert
the word "adjust."—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question put, That the word "reduce" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea,]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "of," to insert the word "old."—
(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question proposed, That the word "old" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, with-
drawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the word “on.”—(Mr. Talbot.)

Question put, That the word “on” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 306. Year, Master of Elithbank:]

Tellers for the [Mr. George Faber, 126. Noes, Master of Elibank:]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word “on-licences,” to insert the words “except licences for the sale of beer upon the premises which were in existence before the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.”—(Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, 140. Year, Viscount Valentia:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 354. Noes, Master of Elibank:]

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put forthwith the Question on an Amendment moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and on any Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 348. Year, Master of Elibank:]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland- 140. Noes, Viscount Valentia:]

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords.] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords]:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now;” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day three months.”—(Mr. Timothy Davies.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Committee on the Companies Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Registration Bill Bill [Lords.][Lords.]

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Grand Jury (Ireland) Act (1836) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. T. W. Russell.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Tuberculosis Committee on the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, Ireland] &c.;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Evicted Second Reading of the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Expiring Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;

The Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. McKenna.)

Naval Marriages Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Marriages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords.];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords.];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Married Women’s Property Bill,

The Married Women’s Property Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bill Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Supply;

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then thirteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 110.]

Wednesday, 22nd July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That in the case of the Rhymney and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords] Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Falkirk and District Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Lanark Corporation (Extension of Boundaries, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Glasgow and South Western Railway Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Ordered, That in the case of the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords] Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Lords], to insert a Clause providing that the district council shall not from the system of sewerage referred to in the Order permit any crude sewage to be discharged into the Bay of Dublin, except between the time of high water and five hours after high water; provided that in case of heavy rain or other emergency the storm water may be discharged at any period of the title.—(Mr. Nannetti.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4071 to 4073.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 506 (Northern Territories of the Gold Coast, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-sixth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, with Appendices, for the year ending 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of particular respecting the Election of Parish Councils in Scotland in the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for the year ending the 20th day of November 1907 (1) from each Savings Bank in England and Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and the Channel Islands, containing, in columns, the number of such Banks; the number of accounts remaining open; the total amount owing to depositors; the total amount invested with the banks; the total amount of the separate surplus fund in the hands of the treasurers; the total amount of the reserves set apart for the purchase of stock; the total amount of the capital at work; the total amount of the capital and surplus; the number of accounts; the number of depositors; the rate of interest per cent. paid on the average of deposits at the time of payment; and the rate per cent. per annum on the capital of the Bank for the expenses of management;

the average cost of each transaction; the total amount of Government Stock standing to the credit of depositors; and the total number and amount of annuities in course of payment; including in such Return a summary of all such Savings Banks as, under the provisions of the Act 26 Vict. c. 14, or otherwise, have been closed and have transferred their funds, or any part thereof, to the Post Office Savings Bank; showing for England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland, and the United Kingdom, the number of such Banks, the number and amount of depositors' balances on the 20th day of November previous to date of notice to close, the number and amount of accounts so transferred, and the amount of compensation, if any, made to all or any of the officers of such Banks; and showing in separate columns the particulars relating to such Savings Banks as have been closed during the year; and (2) showing the total number of depositors in Trustee Savings Banks; the total number of deposits; the total number of withdrawals; the average amount of each deposit account; the average sums paid in and drawn out; and the total number of persons who have deposited in single sums the entire amount allowed to be deposited during the year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 270 of Session 1907).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, according to the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1894, the Local Taxation Licence Duties, and penalties and forfeitures recovered in respect of such duties, and for other duties and payments which are directed to be dealt with in the same manner as the Local Taxation Licence Duties (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 298 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Masterman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, in respect of the financial year ending the 31st day of March 1908, the distribution of the moneys paid into the Local Taxation Account in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1888, the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Act, 1890, the Finance Act, 1894, and other Acts, as amended by the Finance Act, 1907 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 317 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Masterman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, according to the provisions of the Act 26 Vict. c. 14, the accounts for the twelve months preceding the 31st day of March 1908, furnished to the Local Government Board under section 1 (g) of the London (Equalisation of Rates) Act, 1894—(Lord Haldane.)

(1) The amounts paid during the year out of the Equalisation Fund under the Act to the Corporation of the City of London, and each of the Councils of Metropolitan Boroughs, upon payments out of that fund were made.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Post Office Savings Bank Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Padiham Urban District Council Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Crickethian Water and Improvement Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the South West Suburban Water Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Finchley Urban District Council Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Ponypriph Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the South Wales Electrical Power Distribution Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to prohibit the importation of the Plumage and Skins of Wild Birds; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act, to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1907, to enable the Councils of the Administrative Counties of Cornwall, Merioneth, and the West Riding of Yorkshire, and the County Borough of Swansea, to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate Copy of the Manuscripts of the House of Lords, Volume IV. (New Series), as desired by this House in their Message of the 21st day of this instant July.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Importation of Plumage Prohibition Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Revenue Accounts; and a Motion being made, and the Question being Proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on East India Revenue Accounts); An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word System. 
"That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while it recognises that the reforms now under the consideration of the Government of India are suitable and sufficient in respect of questions with which they deal, is of opinion that the educational system in India stands in urgent need of reform."—(Mr. Rees),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee,)

Resolved, That it appears from the Accounts presented to Parliament that in 1806-7 the Revenue of India amounted to £73,144,554, the Expenditure charged against Revenue to £71,555,179, and the Capital Expenditure not charged to Revenue to £8,719,668.—(Mr. Buchanan.)
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Grand Jury (Ireland) Act (1836) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee,)

Clause No. 1 (Amendments of 9 & 7 Will. 4, c. 116, s. 67).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, at the beginning of l. 5, to insert the words "Subject to the provisions of this Act."—(Captain Craig.)
Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

On Thursday, 23rd July 1908:
Tellers for the [Captain Craig, Yeas, (Mr. Lonsdale), ] 26.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Elizab [Craig.)
Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.
A Clause (Saving of rights of the Crown and Government Departments)—(Mr. T. W. Russell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:
Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Moore.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Moore, Yeas, (Mr. Lonsdale), ] 26.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Elizab [Craig.)
Clause read a second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day: and be printed.

The Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Birrell.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Lands Committee on the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Second Reading of the Naval Marriages Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Second Reading of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Sir Edward Strachey.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Committee on the Companies Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works];
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for the Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Expiring Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Public Works Loans Bill was, according to Public Works to Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means.
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise money in the United Kingdom, on the security of the Revenues of India, for the construction, extension, and equipment of Railways in India by State agency or through the agency of companies, and for the construction of Irrigation Works, and also for general purposes for the Government of India—(Mr. Joseph Pease);

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise money in the United Kingdom, on the security of the Revenues of India, for the construction, extension, and equipment of Railways in India by State agency or through the agency of companies, and for the construction of Irrigation Works, and also for general purposes for the Government of India—(Mr. Joseph Pease);

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then nine minutes after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

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[No. 111.]

Thursday, 23rd July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 220 and 246, Private Bills relating to Private Bills, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

That as regards Private Bills to be returned by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if unopposed) shall be considered forthwith.

That as regards Private Bills returned, or to be returned, by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if opposed) shall be considered at such times as the Chairman of Ways and Means may determine.

That, when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto, a Copy of such Amendments shall be deposited at the Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the Lords. —(The Deputy Chairman.)

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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Public Petitions. 

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to House of Lords (Manuscripts), Vol. IV. (New Series), which was communicated upon the 22nd day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report, dated 18th July 1908, by the Director General of the Army Medical Service, as to the progress made in constituting the Medical Service of the Territorial Force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Parliamentary Returns.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Parliamentary Answers Act, 1869, dated 21st July 1908, directing that the Annual Account required by the Uganda Railway Act, 1896, shall be discontinued.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Poor Law relief 

Mr. Burns presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns showing, in respect of each Poor Law Union in England and Wales, the total number of persons (excepting lunatics in county and borough asylums, registered hospitals, and licensed houses, and casual paupers) who were relieved by the guardians at any time during the twelve months ending the 30th day of September 1907, classified according to (a) the aggregate length of time for which each person received Relief, and (b) the number of times on which Relief was granted to each person; together with the following particulars respecting the persons so relieved:—

1. The number of men, women, and children, respectively, distinguishing (a) persons relieved singly, and (b) heads of families and their dependents; and

2. The number of adults and children, respectively, who received (a) indoor Relief only, (b) outdoor Relief only, distinguishing persons who received only Medical Relief, and (c) both indoor and outdoor Relief.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Abstract of the Returns of Shipping Casualties which occurred on or near the coasts, or in rivers and harbours, of the United Kingdom from the 1st July 1906 to the 30th June 1907, and of the Returns of Shipping Casualties to British Vessels elsewhere than on the coasts of the United Kingdom, and to Foreign Vessels on or near the coasts, or in rivers and harbours, of British Possessions abroad, &c., with Charts and Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Annual Accounts of the Chamberlain of London for the year ended 31st December 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Salmon, Trout, and River Tweed Fisheries Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Salmon, Trout, and River Tweed Fisheries Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Sir John Jardine.)

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
No. 252.  
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table: and be printed.

Sir William Brompton Gardon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (No. 2) Bill) :—Mr. Abraham (Rhondda) and Mr. Carlile; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) : Mr. William Edwin Harvey and Mr. Parkes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brompton Gardon further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee C—Mr. Hall.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

No. 253.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Burnley Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Margate Corporation Bill, Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester Corporation Bill, Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Blackburn Corporation Bill, Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Midland Junction Railway, Evesham, Redditch, and Stratford-upon-Avon Junction Railway, and East and West Junction Railway (Amalgamation) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to regulate the sale of certain Poisonous and Noxious Substances and to amend the Pharmacy Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to legalise the use of Cran and Quarter Cran Measures in connection with trading in Fresh Herrings in England and Wales; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Cran Measures Bill [Lords] was read Cran Measures the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Irish Business of Universities Bill have precedence this day of the House the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Asquith.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Irish Universities Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 7, by leaving out Clause 1.—(Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words of the Clause to the word "two," in p. 1, l. 8, stand part of the Bill;—
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank : 231.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Moore: 31.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 8, by leaving out from the word "found" to the end of the subsection, and inserting the words "one new university in Ireland, having its seat at Dublin"—(Mr. Charles O'Donnell)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "two" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 11, by leaving out from the word "corporate" to the word "and," in l. 13, and inserting the words "named the Royal University, Dublin, and the Queen's University, Belfast, respectively"—(Captain Craig)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That those words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 18, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that any governing body under this Act shall be composed as to three-fourths thereof of laymen."—(Mr. Moor.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Moore, Mr. Hugh Barrie: 71.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Mr. Master of Elibank: 219.
So it passed in the Negative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 15, by leaving out the words "and Queen's College, Belfast."—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 19, by inserting, after the word "new," the word "undenominational."—(Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words "undenominational" be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Lonsdale, Yeas, 32.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, 273.] So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 25, by inserting, after the word "constituted," the words "of laymen."—(Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words "of laymen" be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 26, by leaving out the word "charter," and inserting the words "Schedule to this Act entitled Constitution of Governing Bodies of constituent Colleges"—(Mr. Butcher),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "charter" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, 249.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Butcher, Noes, 38.] So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 15, by inserting, after the word "which," the words "the Commissioners, and after the powers of the Commissioners determine."—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by inserting, after the word "may," the words "by statute."—(Mr. Butcher.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by leaving out the word "give," and inserting the words "recognise any college or institution in Ireland by giving"—(Sir Philip Magnus),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "give" stand part of the Bill;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

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And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "for," in l. 19, stand part of the Bill.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 19, by inserting, after the word "for," the words "or to students who are pursuing studies otherwise than in a recognised college."—(Sir William Collins.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. William Collins, Yeas, 38.] Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, 263.] So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now adjourned. —(Mr. Birrell);—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Works Loans and for Remission [Remission.]

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the remission of the debts due to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland from certain Railway Companies, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Friday, 24th July 1908:
Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Lands (Voluntary) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
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Bill to be reported.
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The Order of the day being read, for the East India
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The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thence, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with:


Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tyne Improvement Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Widnes Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

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The House, in pursuance of the Order of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Margate Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

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Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and Italy respecting Commercial Travellers' Samples. Signed at Rome, 30th May 1908.

Copy of further Correspondence respecting the Second Peace Conference held at The Hague in 1907.

Copy of Final Act of the Second Peace Conference held at The Hague in 1907, adding Convention and Declaration annexed thereto.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing for each Secondary School in respect of which Waiver Resolutions were passed by the Local Authority under Article 43 of the Regulations for Secondary Schools, 1907, the Articles which the Board were asked to waive and their decision as regards each Article.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by R. A. S. Redmayne, Esquire, on the causes of, and circumstances attending, an underground Fire which occurred at Hamstead Colliery on 4th March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Proceedings of the Basutoland National Council, 1908, and Correspondence as to Affairs of Basutoland.

Copy of further Correspondence relating to Native Affairs in Natal.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Twenty-fifth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, in pursuance of Section 131 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883.

Copy of the Bankruptcy Rules, dated 6th July 1908, made pursuant to the Bankruptcy Acts, 1883 and 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Bankruptcy be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-second Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, for the year ended 31st March 1908.

Copy of a revised Estimate of the further amount required in the year ending 31st March 1909 for Public Education (Ireland).

Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account, prepared in pursuance of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal during the year ended 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, &c. be printed; and that the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Guaranteed 2½ per Cent. Stock Issues under the Irish Land Act, 1903, in the following form:—

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—(Mr. John Rees.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee G (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill):—Mr. Dickinson and Mr. Napier; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. John Robertson and Mr. Russell Rea.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Charles Nicholson reported from the Police and Sanitary Committee; That they had considered the Bills to them referred, and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill (Lords) was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of October next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Irish Universities Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 19, by leaving out the words "the benefit of any privileges of matriculated students of the university or."—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "or," in p. 2, l. 20, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and provided that a student in a recognised or affiliated college or institution shall not be entitled to obtain a..."...
(Dr. Hazel.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.


So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 36, by leaving out from the word "sign" to the end of subsection (2) of Clause 3, and inserting the words "the following declaration:—"

I, A. B., do hereby promise that I will faithfully, and to the best of my ability, discharge the duties of professor; and I further promise and engage that in lecturing and examining, and in the performance of all other duties connected with my chair, I will carefully abstain from teaching or advancing any doctrine, or making any statement, derogatory to the truths of revealed religion, or injurious or disrespectful to the religious opinion of any portion of my class."—(Mr. Hugh Barrie),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "under," in p. 2, l. 37, stand part of the Bill;—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 49, by leaving out subsection (3) of Clause 3.—(Sir William Collins.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 35, by inserting at the end thereof the words—"

(3) The governing body of a university or constituent college to which this Act applies, or any other person, corporation, or body directly affected by such statute, may, within three months from the notification thereof in the Dublin Gazette, petition His Majesty in Council to disallow the whole or any part thereof.

(4) His Majesty in Council may refer any such petition to a Committee of the Privy Council in Ireland, with a direction that the Committee hear the petitioner personally or by counsel, and report specially to His Majesty in Council on the matter of the petition.

(5) If the Committee report in favour of the disallowance of the statute, or any part thereof, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, disallow the whole or any part thereof accordingly, but any such disallowance shall be without prejudice to the making of a new statute.

(6) The costs of any petition hereunder may be regulated by the Committee to which the petition is referred.—(Mr. Butcher.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 2, by inserting, after the first word "of," the words "a person nominated by the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland, and a person nominated by the Royal College of Science, Dublin, and."—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 6, by leaving out Clause 7.—(Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "sums," in p. 5, l. 15, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 35, by inserting, after the word "professor," the words "or lecturer."—(Mr. Massie.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 41, by inserting, after the word "fund," the words "and in the event of any professor or lecturer being recognised under this subsection the governing body of the university shall not refuse recognition on equal terms to other professors or lecturers in theology or divinity on the ground of their theological opinions."—(Mr. Holt.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.


So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 1, by leaving out paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of Clause 7.—(Mr. Massie.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.


So it passed in the Negative.
Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 40, by leaving out Clause 8.—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "for," in p. 7, l. 2, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]

Yea, [Master of Elibank,] 551.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hugh Barrie,]

Noo, [Mr. Gordon,] 33.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 16, l. 20, by leaving out "4," and inserting "3"—(Mr. Moore),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "4" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 13, by leaving out "4," and inserting "3"—(Sir Philip Magnus),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "4" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Hobhouse reported from the Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the remission of the debts due to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland from certain Railway Companies, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Marriages Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day—being read, for the Committee on the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Whitley.)

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords];

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Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to University of take into consideration the University of Durham Bill, so amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of the Companies Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works and General Purposes];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Bill; Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Cran Measures Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Surpluses and Deficits upon Navy and Army Grants for 1906-7, and the application of Surpluses to meet expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy and Army Departments, which were presented respectively on the 6th and 14th days of February last, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then fourteen minutes before Six of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 113.]
Saturday, 25th July 1908.

The House met at Ten of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4074.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Forty-fourth detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in Ireland, 1907.

Copy of Return of the number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings in Ireland which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the number of Tenancies determined, in the quarter ended 30th June 1908.

Copy of Report of Proceedings by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Third Reading of the Irish Universities Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day three months.”—(Mr. Gordon.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Master of Elibank, Yes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis] 207.

Tellers for the Mr. Lansdale, Noes, [Mr. Moore] 19.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “this House declines to proceed with a measure which, while reducing substantially the tax on sugar, the produce of foreign countries, does nothing to relieve the burden of the tax on tea, an infinitesimal part of which is imported from possessions other than our own; and, while parting with a large part of revenue, renders the discharge of prospective obligations of unknown magnitude embarrassing to the Exchequer and injurious to the credit of the State”—(Sir Edward Sassoon)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Agricultural Committee on the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

The House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then fourteen minutes before Six of the clock, till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Whitel.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Marriages Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Companies Bill [Lords] ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords] ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Cran Measures Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Whitel.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1906-7 ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then seventeen minutes before Four of the clock, till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South West Suburban Water Bill ; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Ammanford Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords] be now read the third time ;

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Great Northern, Piccadilly, and Brompton Railway Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhymney and the Rhymanney and Aber Valleys Gas and Aber Valleys Coke Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhymney and the Rhymanney and Aber Valleys Gas and Constitution Bill.
Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (For protection of the Admiralty in respect of Greenwich Pier) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords], was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237 be suspended, and that the Committee on the Bill have leave to sit and proceed tomorrow.— (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Blackburn Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That in the case of the Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords] Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.— (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Order 26a was read, and amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the words "the Plans and Sections," and by inserting the words "so much of the Plans and Sections as relates to the portion of the work by which the banks, foreshore, or river-bed may be affected."

And in l. 12, by leaving out the words "the river is subject to a Board of Conservators," and by inserting the words "there be a Board of Conservators constituted for the conservancy of the river."

Standing Order 82 was read, and amended, in l. 5, by leaving out the words "and such Copies shall be," and by adding at the end of the Standing Order the words "together with Copies of the estimates and statements deposited in accordance with Standing Order 36a (if any)."

Standing Order 172 was read, and amended, in l. 11, by inserting, after "36a," the words "or under General Order made in pursuance of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899."

Standing Order 173 was read, and amended, in l. 30 and 31, by leaving out the words "and shall be circulated with the Votes."

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 175:—

Ordered, That notice in writing of any Bill report of the Attorney General in the case of Bill relating to any charity or educational foundation or institution, or to levy any rate or raise money for any such purpose, shall be given to the Attorney General for England or Ireland, as the case may be, and no such Bill shall be taken into consideration by the Committee on the Bill until the House has received a Report from the Attorney General on such Bill, and such Report shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Resolved, That this Order be a Standing Order of this House.

Standing Order 188a was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "and circulated with the Votes."

Standing Order 220 was read, and amended, in l. 9 and 10, by leaving out the words "and circulated with the Votes."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Natal Command. — Copy of Despatch from the Governor of Natal forwarding a Bill to make special provision for the Trial of Natives accused of certain Crimes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Queen's Command. — Copy of Report of the Returns number of Steam Trawlers registered at Ports and Fisheries in the States of Western Europe in the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Queen's Command. — Copy of Report of the President of Queen's College, Cork, for the Session 1907–8, with Appendices.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Meteorological Command. — Copy of Third Annual Report Committee of the Meteorographical Committee to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for the year ending 31st March 1908.

Copy of Fifty-fourth Report of the Post Master General on the Post Office.
Mr. Hobhouse also presented, Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of June last, for a Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure. 

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this Instant July, for a Return relative to Pensions (Civil List).

Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Account showing the receipts and payments in respect of the Land Registry for the year ending 31st March 1908.

Copy of Return of the amount payable on the 5th January 1908, out of the Consolidated Fund, for ecclesiastical purposes in the West Indies, and of the appropriation of it to the different islands and persons therein, within their respective offices.

Copy of Return, for the year ended 31st March 1908, of the Army and Navy Officers permitted, under Rule 2 of the Regulations drawn up under section 6 of the Superannuation Act, 1887, to hold Civil Employment of profit under Public Departments.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Public Income and Expenditure, Pensions (Civil List), Land Registry, and Superannuation Act, 1887, be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of One hundred and Third Report of the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal.

Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number of visits made and the number of patients seen by the several Commissioners in Lanark during the six months ending on the 30th June 1908.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Caledonian Canal be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C. (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill) — Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Hudson Keeney, Sir Edward Strachey, and Mr. Lynch; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) — Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Heron, Samuel, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Leif Jones.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C. (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill) — Mr. Freeman-Thomas; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) — Mr. King.

Sir William Brampton Gordon further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee C. (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill) : Viscount Castlereagh.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Sir George White reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Sligo and Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the London United Tramways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Holderness Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Steadman, supported by Mr. William Factory and Thorne, presented a Bill (amended the Factory Workshops and Workshop Act, 1901) : And the same was read a second time upon Friday (No. 2) Bill; next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Writ Borough of Shoreditch (Haggerston Division), in the room of Sir William Randal Cremer, deceased. — (Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Army Estimates, 1908-9.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £840,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Pay, Bounty, &c. of the Special Reserves and Militia (to a number not exceeding 128,737, including 3,000 Militia Reserve), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £693,800 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Ashley.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ashley, Yeas, [Mr. William Nicholson; ] 77.


Original Question put, and agreed to.

Civil Services Estimates, 1908-9. Class II.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £40,830 be granted to
His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Postponed proceeding on Question, That a sum not exceeding £40,800 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, resumed.

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, that the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking supply into consideration the First of the Resolutions [8th July] which, upon the 10th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [21st May] upon the 28th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £120,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid, which was then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the First of the Resolutions [21st May] which, upon the 21st day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of May last, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords];

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of 7 Edw. 7, c. 56, s. 1, as to tenant land).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word “consent,” to insert the words “voluntarily and without intimidation.”—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with an Amendment:—

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Companies Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to companies incorporated in British possessions to hold land).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "possession," to insert the words "to which this Act applies and."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after "1907," to insert the words "and complied with all the other requirements of section thirty-five, including an address to which all notices or processes may be sent or served in accordance with such section, and continues from time to time to comply therewith."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Tuesday, 28th July 1908:

Tellers for the [Mr. Watson Rutherford,]

Yea, [Mr. Hugh Barrie: ] 32.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]


Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Short title).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Joseph Pease and the Master of Elibank were appointed Tellers for the Yeas, and there being no Members willing to act as Tellers for the Noes, the Chairman declared that the Yeas had it.

Clause agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clausen No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Addition to purposes for which Public Works Loan Commissioners may lend).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 1, to leave out the words "any of the purposes for which," in order to insert the words "the acquisition of land, or the purchase, erection, construction, alteration, or enlargement of any building or permanent work by."—(Mr. Holhouse.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That the proposed words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the first word "the," to insert the words "payment of any moneys necessarily required to be expended in connection with the."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, at the end, to add the words "or for."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words inserted.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Short title).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Alexander Acton-Howard.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,]

Yea, [Mr. Henry Forster: ] 34.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]


Clause agreed to.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out Is. 7 and 8.—(Mr. Everett.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Samuel Scott.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Samuel Scott,]

Yea, [Mr. Gretton: ] 32.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out Is. 41 and 42.—(Sir Samuel Scott.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out Is. 28, 29, and 30.—(Mr. Emmott.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out l. 38.—(Mr. Mackarness.)

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Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out ls. 41 and 42.—(Mr. Ramsay Macdonald.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Marriages Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Issue of certificates on board His Majesty's Ships).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Mr. Watson Rutherford moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 to No. 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Agricultural Holdings Bill. (Lords.)

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 41 agreed to.

Clause No. 42 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 43 to No. 51 agreed to.

Schedules No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords]:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempt of Court Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Small Holdings Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Peace.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Committee on the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cran Measures Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1906-7.
(In the Committee.)

I. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1907, and the Statement appended thereto, that the aggregate expenditure on Navy Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services, but that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the total differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the net expenditure are as follows, viz.:

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<td><strong>Net Surplus</strong></td>
<td><strong>£397,412 16 0</strong></td>
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And whereas it is expedient that the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services as is necessary to cover the said total deficits on other Grants for Navy Services be sanctioned:
1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

### Schedule

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And whereas it is expedient that the application of so much of the said total surpluses on
27th—28th July.

1908. [No. 115.]

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Tramways (No. 2) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sligo and Arigna Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the Lives at Sea lost by wreck, drowning, or other accident in British sea-going Merchant Ships registered in the United Kingdom during the years 1891 to 1907, inclusive.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented,—Return to an Order, Local Taxation Return relative to the Local Taxation Account, 1907–8. No. 263.

Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Local Taxation Licences, &c., 1907–8.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon No. 264. The Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Irish Land Commission, Commissioners for the period from 1st April 1907 to 31st March 1908.

Copy of Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage passing through the Suez Canal, 1905, 1906, and 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 32nd day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Trustees Savings Banks.

Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Suez Canal Act, 1901, and of the money received, expended, and borrowed, and securities created, under the said Act to the 31st March 1908; together with a Copy of the Report of the Chairman of the Pacific Cable Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Deaths from Starvation, or accelerated by Privation.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 19th day of February last, for a Return relative to Deaths from Starvation, or accelerated by Privation (London).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Members of Parliament.

The Order made upon the 23rd day of June last, for presenting an Address for a Return relative to Members of Parliament, was read and discharged.

Members of Parliament.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the names of every Member returned to serve in the Twenty-seventh Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, appointed to meet 3rd December 1900 and dissolved 8th January 1906, specifying the names of the county, city, university, or place for which each Member was returned (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 35 of Session 1901).—(Sir William Bull.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Convictions for indictable and non-indictable Offences committed in the following districts in Ireland in the three years ending the 30th day of April 1908, 1907, and 1906, respectively:—(1) the town of Newry, (2) the village of Beestbrook, (3) the electoral division of Camlough, excluding Beestbrook, and (4) the electoral division of Mullaghban and Tullybaggery, in the following form:

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<th>District</th>
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<td>Camlough, exclusive of Beestbrook</td>
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<td>Mullaghban and Tullybaggery</td>
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---(Mr. Sizel.)

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Commons Regulation (Towyn Trewan) Provisional Order Bill; That they had examined the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported River Wandle the River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Wild Birds Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Offices Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Gosport Gas Gosport Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Central Ireland Electric Power Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Hampshire Electric Power Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Honourable Artillery Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Leith Burgh made by this House to the Leith Burgh Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments London, made by this House to the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Havensthorpe Urban District Council Bill [Lords], with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Edinburgh Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the 4th District Water Order Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Edinburgh and District Water; Bill [Lords] 3 b
28th July.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Edinburgh and District Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Civil Services Estimates, 1908–9.

**Class I.**

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £31,450 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £31,550 be granted for the said Service.—(Earl Winterton.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Earl Winterton, Yeas, (Mr. Grelton) ] 92.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of Eltbank) ] 247.

And it being after Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 15, to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote under consideration.

Question, That a sum not exceeding £31,450 be granted for the said Service, put, and agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded to put severally the Questions, that the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in each Class of the Civil Services Estimates, including Supplementary Estimates, and the total amount of the Votes outstanding in the Estimates for the Navy, the Army (including Ordnance Factories), and the Revenue Departments, be granted for the Services defined in those Classes and Estimates.

**Class I.**

2. That a sum not exceeding £608,168 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.—

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<td>1. Royal Palaces</td>
<td>42,500</td>
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<td>2. Osborne</td>
<td>7,300</td>
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<td>3. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens</td>
<td>79,900</td>
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<td>4. House of Parliament Buildings (including a supplementary sum of £5,000)</td>
<td>37,000</td>
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Total: £608,168

Question put, and agreed to.

**Class II.**

3. That a sum not exceeding £1,145,045 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.—

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<td>1. Home of Lords Offices</td>
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<td>2. House of Commons Offices</td>
<td>18,101</td>
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<td>3. Treasury and subordinate Offices</td>
<td>62,917</td>
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<td>4. Home Office</td>
<td>139,957</td>
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<td>5. Privy Council Office</td>
<td>6,217</td>
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<td>6. Board of Trade</td>
<td>218,169</td>
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<td>7. Meteorological Office</td>
<td>90,847</td>
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<td>8. Board of Trade</td>
<td>156,816</td>
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<td>9. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries</td>
<td>83,124</td>
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<td>10. Charity Commission</td>
<td>15,308</td>
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<td>11. Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
<td>39,900</td>
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<td>12. Friendly Societies Registry</td>
<td>5,819</td>
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<td>13. Local Government Board</td>
<td>156,816</td>
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<td>14. Lunacy Commission, England</td>
<td>11,384</td>
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<td>15. Local Government Board</td>
<td>3,625</td>
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<td>17. Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, etc. Office</td>
<td>13,613</td>
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<td>18. Works and Public Buildings Office</td>
<td>50,492</td>
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<td>19. Secret Service</td>
<td>10,053</td>
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<td>20. Scotland</td>
<td>11,600</td>
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<td>21. Fishery Board</td>
<td>14,985</td>
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<td>22. Lunacy Commission</td>
<td>8,911</td>
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<td>23. Registrar General's Office</td>
<td>8,003</td>
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<td>24. Land Board</td>
<td>11,592</td>
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<td>25. House of Lords Lieutenant of Ireland</td>
<td>2,657</td>
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<td>26. Chief Secretary for Ireland</td>
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<td>27. Charitable Donations and Bequests Office</td>
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<td>28. Local Government Board</td>
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<td>29. Public Record Office</td>
<td>3,625</td>
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<td>30. Public Works Office</td>
<td>27,413</td>
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<td>31. Valuation and Boundary Survey</td>
<td>7,338</td>
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<td>32. Ireland</td>
<td>15,147</td>
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Total: £1,145,045

Question put, and agreed to.

**Class III.**

4. That a sum not exceeding £1,685,788 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included
in Class III. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<td>Law Charges</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>£22,564</td>
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<td>Supreme Court of Judicature</td>
<td>£159,667</td>
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<tr>
<td>Land Registry</td>
<td>£21,750</td>
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<td>Public Trustees</td>
<td>£1,500</td>
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<td>County Courts</td>
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<td>Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>£24,858</td>
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<td>Register House, Edinburgh</td>
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<td>Irish Land Commission</td>
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<td>County Court Officers, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Dublin Metropolitan Police</td>
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<td>Royal Irish Constabulary</td>
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<td>Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
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Total in Class III. of the Estimates for Civil Services, £8,217,512.

5. That a sum not exceeding £8,217,512 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<td>National Gallery</td>
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<td>Wallace Collection</td>
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<td>Scientific Investigation, &amp;c., United Kingdom</td>
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<td>Universities and Colleges, Great Britain, and Intermediate Education, Wales</td>
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<td>Public Education, Scotland</td>
<td>£1,198,467</td>
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<td>National Galleries, Scotland</td>
<td>£2,497</td>
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Total in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, £28,217,512.

8. That a sum not exceeding £382,104 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<td>Temporary Commissions</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>£7,687</td>
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<td>Repayments to the Local Loans Fund</td>
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<td>Ireland Development Grant</td>
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<td>Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund</td>
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<td>Expenses under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905</td>
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<td>Relief of Distress (Ireland)</td>
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<td>Government Hospitality</td>
<td>£5,300</td>
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Total in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, £282,104.

9. That a sum not exceeding £5,562,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—

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<td>Scientific Services</td>
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<td>Royal Naval Reserves</td>
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<td>Naval Armaments</td>
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<td>Admiralty Office</td>
<td>£370,300</td>
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Total in Class VIII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, £5,562,700.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Agricultural Holdings Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read the second time and passed.

The Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Sites Bill, as amended, to be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Churchill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, that an Amendment had been made in the Committee, and directed him to report the same, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill be, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Works Loans Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Revised Public Works Loans Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed,

The following tabulated expenditure was shown in respect of the Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), viz.:—

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<td>1. Naval Services</td>
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<td>2. Medical Establishment Pay, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>3. Territorial Forces</td>
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<td>4. Establishments for Military Education</td>
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<td>5. Quarterings, Transport, and Re-</td>
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<td>11. Miscellaneous Services</td>
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The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Revised Public Works Loans Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read the second time and passed.

The Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Churchill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, that an Amendment had been made in the Committee, and directed him to report the same, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill be, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Revised Public Works Loans Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
And whereas it is expedient that the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services as is necessary to cover the said total deficits on other Grants for Navy Services be sanctioned:

1. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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The Order of the day being read, for the East India Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Loans Irrigation Works and General Purposes]. [Lords.] Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself on the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans [Railway and Loans Irrigation Works and General Purposes]. [Lords.] Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords.] [Lords.]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time Monday the 19th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then nineteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 116.]

Wednesday, 29th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criccieth Water and Improvement Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the Central Ireland Electric Power Bill, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Central Ireland Electric Power Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the Goport Gas House of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Goport Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the London House of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London County Powers Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the Ravensthorpe Urban District Council Bill [Lords]; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Ordered, That the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Ordered, That in the case of the Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords] Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That in the case of the River Wandle Protection Bill [Lords] Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That in the case of the Thames Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amend- ment Bill [Lords] Standing Order 243 be Service
suspended, and that the Bill be now read the 3rd time.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the 3rd time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordsships.

The Commons Regulation (Towy Trewan) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the 3rd time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read the 3rd time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Edinburgh and District Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under the Tramways Act, 1870, during the Session of 1898.

Mr. Churchill also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of April last, for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Durham, alterning certain Polling Districts in the Chester-le-Street Parliamentary Division.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Proceedings of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts to the 30th June 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the total payments into and out of the Local Taxation Account (Scotland) for the financial year 1907–8.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy University Court Ordinance, No. XXVIII. (Edinburgh, No. 10) (Regulations for Higher Degrees in Arts and Science).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance), be printed.

Mr. M'Kenna presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of May last, for a Return relative to Admiralty Casualties, No. Vol. 163.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Further Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of August 1898, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Lancaster).

Further Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July 1906, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners in the result of an Inquiry held in the County Borough of Preston into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that county, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such parish, whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the books of the Charity Commissioners in the county borough; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of March 1903, for a Return comprising (1) the Report made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of the Inquiry held in the County Borough of Barrow-in-Furness into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that county borough, or of any part thereof, together with the Report on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the books of the Charity Commissioners in the county borough; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Report.

Further Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of August 1901, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners in the result of an Inquiry held in every parish wholly or partly within the County of Wilts into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that county, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (3) a Digest showing, in the case of each such parish, whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the books of the Charity Commissioners in the county parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Report.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the Committees of Selection to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the Bills respecting the Incorporation of the Keighley Corporation, and Acts Respecting the Incorporation of a Gas and Water Company, and Amendments; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 275. Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Polling Districts (County Councils) Bill, with any Amendment.

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The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, with any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, with any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill, with any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, with any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Dover Graving Docks Bill, with any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Great Northern, Piccadilly, and Brompton Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Great Northern, Piccadilly, and Brompton Railway Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Keighley Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.
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The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Rhyneey and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Wath and Bolton Gas Board Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer the Municipal Franchise upon Mercantile Corporations and Companies; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to regulate the turning out upon Commons of Entire Animals; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to enable Rules to be made regulating the Procedure with respect to Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade and the Local Government Board under certain Acts of Parliament, and for other matters incidental thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coroners (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 10) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 11) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Municipal Franchise (Mercantile Corporations and Companies) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Robinson, supported by Mr. Macleod and Sir Maurice Levy, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the grant or renewal of Licences for the sale of beer, wine, and spirits, to be consumed off the premises: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee of Supply of the 28th day of this instant July several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services Estimates, 1908-9.

Class I.

1. That a sum not exceeding £31,450 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

Class II.

2. That a sum not exceeding £608,168 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses in respect of the Services included in Class I. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<th>Class I</th>
<th>Class II</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Royal Palaces</td>
<td>£42,900</td>
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<td>2. Osborne</td>
<td>£7,900</td>
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<td>3. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens</td>
<td>£79,900</td>
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<td>4. Houses of Parliament Buildings (including a supplementary sum of £25,000)</td>
<td>£37,000</td>
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<td>4a. Salisbury Memorial</td>
<td>£1,100</td>
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<td>5. Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£48,000</td>
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<td>6. Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£55,000</td>
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<td>7. 116. Surveys of the United Kingdom</td>
<td>£116,815</td>
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<td>8. Harbours under the Board of Trade</td>
<td>£32,840</td>
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<td>9. Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>£29,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Public Works and Buildings, Ireland</td>
<td>£134,269</td>
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<td>11. Railways, Ireland</td>
<td>£31,454</td>
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£598,168

3. That a sum not exceeding £1,145,046 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<th>Class I</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. House of Lords Office</td>
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<td>2. House of Commons Office</td>
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<td>3. Treasury and subordinate Offices</td>
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<td>4. Home Office</td>
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<td>7. Privy Council Office</td>
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<td>8. Board of Trade</td>
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<td>9. Mercantile Marine Services</td>
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<td>10. Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade</td>
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<td>11. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries</td>
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<td>12. Charity Commission</td>
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<td>14. Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
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<td>16. Local Government Board</td>
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<td>17. Lunacy Commission, England</td>
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<td>20. Public Record Office</td>
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<td>22. Registrar General's Office, England</td>
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<td>25. Works and Public Buildings Office</td>
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<td>26. Secret Service</td>
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£2,114,046
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<th>Class III.</th>
<th>1908.</th>
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<td>4. That a sum not exceeding £1,685,788 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—</td>
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<tr>
<td>1. Law Charges</td>
<td>54,190</td>
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<td>2. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>22,564</td>
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<td>3. Supreme Court of Judicature</td>
<td>169,867</td>
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<td>4. Land Registry</td>
<td>21,750</td>
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<td>5. Public Trustee</td>
<td>1,500</td>
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<td>6. County Courts</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>7. Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>24,858</td>
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<td><strong>Scotland:</strong></td>
<td><strong>£1,145,045</strong></td>
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<td>11. Law Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>51,316</td>
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<tr>
<td>12. Register House, Edinburgh</td>
<td>26,866</td>
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<td>13. Crofters Commission</td>
<td>2,945</td>
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<td>14. Prisons</td>
<td>60,790</td>
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<td><strong>Ireland:</strong></td>
<td><strong>£40,768</strong></td>
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<td>15. Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions</td>
<td>38,078</td>
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<tr>
<td>16. Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments</td>
<td>60,446</td>
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<tr>
<td>17. Irish Land Commission</td>
<td>109,978</td>
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<tr>
<td>18. County Court Officers, &amp;c.</td>
<td>70,475</td>
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<td>19. Dublin Metropolitan Police</td>
<td>36,632</td>
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<td>20. Royal Irish Constabulary</td>
<td>739,902</td>
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<td>21. Prisons</td>
<td>64,661</td>
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<tr>
<td>22. Reformatory and Industrial Schools</td>
<td>55,225</td>
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<tr>
<td>23. Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>3,222</td>
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<td><strong>£1,685,768</strong></td>
<td>5. That a sum not exceeding £8,217,512 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—</td>
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<tr>
<td>1. Board of Education</td>
<td>6,594,150</td>
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<td>2. British Museum</td>
<td>115,137</td>
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<td>3. National Gallery</td>
<td>7,414</td>
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<td>4. National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>2,921</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Wallace Collection</td>
<td>4,173</td>
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<td>6. Scientific Investigation, &amp;c., United Kingdom</td>
<td>29,595</td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Universities and Colleges, Great Britain, and Intermediate Education, Wales</td>
<td>146,800</td>
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<td>8. Public Education, Scotland</td>
<td>1,199,557</td>
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<td>9. National Galleries, Scotland</td>
<td>2,497</td>
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<td><strong>£2,317,512</strong></td>
<td>6. That a sum not exceeding £366,236 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—</td>
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<td>1. Diplomatic and Consular Services</td>
<td>325,103</td>
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<td>2. Telegraph Subsidies and Pacific Cable</td>
<td>42,133</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Cyprus (Grant in Aid)</td>
<td>1,000</td>
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<td><strong>£366,236</strong></td>
<td>7. That a sum not exceeding £1,684,845 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—</td>
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<tr>
<td>1. Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
<td>375,022</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Hospitals and Charities, Ireland</td>
<td>110</td>
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<td>4. Savings Banks and Friendly Societies</td>
<td>109,713</td>
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<td>5. Old Age Pensions</td>
<td>1,200,000</td>
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<td><strong>£1,684,845</strong></td>
<td>8. That a sum not exceeding £382,104 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—</td>
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<tr>
<td>1. Temporary Commissions</td>
<td>25,000</td>
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<td>2. Miscellaneous Expenditure</td>
<td>3,627</td>
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<td>3. Repayments to the Local Loans Fund</td>
<td>4,404</td>
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<td>4. Ireland Development Grant</td>
<td>85,342</td>
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<td>5. Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund</td>
<td>4,149</td>
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<td>6. Expenses under the Unemployed Workmen Act</td>
<td>200,000</td>
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<td>7. Relief of Distress (Ireland)</td>
<td>13,000</td>
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<td>8. Government Hospitality</td>
<td>5,000</td>
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<td><strong>£382,104</strong></td>
<td>9. That a sum not exceeding £5,562,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—</td>
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<td>2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy</td>
<td>2,286,400</td>
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<td>3. Military Law</td>
<td>13,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Scientific Services</td>
<td>65,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Naval Armaments</td>
<td>398,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>409,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Admiralty Office</td>
<td>370,200</td>
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<td><strong>£5,562,700</strong></td>
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Army Estimates, 1908–9.

10. That a sum not exceeding £13,505,100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), viz.:

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2 & \text{Medical Establishment : Pay, &c.} \\
4 & \text{Territorial Forces} \\
5 & \text{Estabishments for Military Educa-} \\
& \text{tion} \\
6 & \text{Quartering, Transport, and Remounts} \\
7 & \text{Supplies and Clothing} \\
8 & \text{Ordnance Department Establish-} \\
& \text{ments and General Stores} \\
9 & \text{Armaments and Engineer Stores} \\
10 & \text{Works and Buildings} \\
11 & \text{Miscellaneous Effective Services} \\
12 & \text{War Office and Army Accounts De-} \\
& \text{partment} \\
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£13,505,100

Civil Services Estimates, 1908–9.

Class I.

11. That a sum not exceeding £11,821,531 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

The first two Resolutions, being read a second time, were postponed.

The Third Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

And it being Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 15, proceeded to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Report of the Resolution then under consideration.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class II.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class II. of the Civil Services Estimates;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Eltham) : ] 254.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gretton, Noes, (Mr. Stanley Wilson) : ] 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class III.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class III. of the Civil Services Estimates:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Eltham) : ] 254.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hicks Beach, Noes, (Mr. Wolff) : ] 71.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IV.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class IV. of the Civil Services Estimates;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Eltham) : ] 249.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, Noes, (Mr. Arkwright) : ] 78.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class V.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class V. of the Civil Services Estimates;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Eltham) : ] 259.

Tellers for the [Mr. Samuel Roberts, Noes, (Mr. Stowey-Hill) : ] 72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VI.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class VI. of the Civil Services Estimates: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VII.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class VII. of the Civil Services Estimates: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of the Navy Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Army Estimates, 1908-9.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of the Army Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1908-9.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of the Revenue Departments Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Sydney Buxton reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:
That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909, the sum of £69,157,274 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.
The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Hobhouse do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation.) Bill.
Mr. Hobhouse accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred and nine, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Offices Sites (Extension) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords].
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords].
(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 1 (Tenure of office of masters of endowed schools).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 27, to leave out the words "assigned at the time of dismissal."—(Mr. Rautlinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 2 (Saving for effect of judgments of court).
Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out the word "April," in order to insert the word "September."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)
Question, That the word "April" stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.
Question, That the word "September" be there inserted, put, and negatived.
Amendment proposed, in lieu of the word "April," omitted, to insert the word "August."—(Mr. Rautlinson.)
Question, That the word "August" be there inserted, put, and agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses No. 3 and No. 4 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Post Office Sites Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House and Two by the Committee of Selection.
Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents be heard against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.
Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
Ordered, That three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Sydney Buxton.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Endowed Schools (Railway and Irrigation Works and General Purposes).
(In the Committee.)
Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise in the United Kingdom, on the security of the Revenues of India, by the creation and issue of capital stock, bonds, debentures, or bills—

(1) A sum not exceeding £20,000,000 for the following purposes:—
(a) The construction, extension, and equipment of railways in India by State agency or through the agency of companies;
(b) The repayment of the principal of any bonds or debentures issued by any such company under the guarantee of the Secretary of State;
(c) The discharge of any obligations incurred by the Secretary of State by reason of the purchase of any railway or the determination of any contract from or with such company;
(d) The construction of irrigation works in India.
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(2) A sum not exceeding £5,000,000 for the general purposes of the Government of India.

—(Mr. Buchanan.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Contempt of Court Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempt of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords].
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ball Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ball Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then twenty-one minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 30th July 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Dover Graving Docks Bill.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 23rd day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dover Graving Docks Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Lower Thames Second Reading of the Lower Thames (Grays) Dock Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local provisions of Parliament,—Annual Local Taxation Returns for England for the year 1905-6, Parts V. to VIII.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirtieth Report of the General Prisons Board (Ireland), for 1907–8, with an Appendix. 

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Strikes and Lock-outs of 1907, and on Conciliation and Arbitration Boards.

Copy of Report on changes in Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour in the United Kingdom in 1907, with comparative Statistics for 1886—1906.

Copy of Annual Statement of the Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1907.

Copy of Returns as to the capital, traffic receipts, and working expenditure of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom for the year 1907, with a General Report thereon, and Summary Tables for a series of years.

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom, in each of the last fifteen years, from 1893 to 1907. Fifty-fifth Number.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting their Proceedings under the Railway Regulation Act, 1884, relating to the Hours of Labour of Railway Servants during the year ended 27th July 1908.

Copy of Tenth Report by the Board of Trade of Proceedings under Section 31 of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1894, during the year ended the 15th day of May 1908. 

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of exceptions to the King's Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, pursuant to the Order in Council dated 19th December 1881, during the year 1907–8.

Mr. McKenna also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Guaranteed 24 per Cent. Stock.

Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Civil Servants (Retirement at the Age of Sixty-five) in the Service of the Crown.

Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 29th July 1908, directing the application of moneys received by the Board of Trade in the year ended 31st March 1908 in respect of the rights and interests of the Crown in the Foreshores of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Further return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Devon).

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Tables showing the Progress of Merchant Shipping in the United Kingdom and the principal Maritime Countries. — (Mr. Churchill.)

Iron and Steel, 1907.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum and Statistical Tables showing the production and consumption of Iron Ore and Pig Iron, and the production of Steel, in the United Kingdom and the principal Foreign Countries in recent years, and the imports and exports of certain classes of Iron and Steel Manufactures (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 339 of Session 1907). — (Mr. Churchill.)

Coal Tails, 1907.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statistical Tables relating to the production, consumption, and imports and exports of Coal in the British Empire and the principal Foreign Countries in each year from 1885 to 1907, as far as the particulars can be stated; together with Statements showing the production of Lignite and Petroleum in the principal producing countries for a series of years (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 349 of Session 1907). — (Mr. Churchill.)

Tea and Coffee, 1908.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum and Statistical Tables showing the consumption of Tea and Coffee in the principal Countries of Europe, the United States, and certain British Colonies; together with information relating to the principal sources of supply in recent years, so far as the particulars can be stated (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 344 of Session 1908). — (Mr. Churchill.)

Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the working of the Regulations made in 1886 for carrying out the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884, with Statistics setting forth the number, nature, result, and cost of the Proceedings instituted by the Director in accordance with those Regulations from the first day of January 1907 to the 31st day of December 1907 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 230 of Session 1908). — (Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Navy and Army (Inquiries).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving in chronological order, according to the dates of publication of the Reports, a list of all Inquiries into Naval and Military Affairs which have been held since the year 1808, the Reports of which have been published as Parliamentary Papers. — (Mr. Bellairs.)

Scottish Local Authorities (Deposition Expenses).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Report, arranged according to Counties, of Expenses during each of the five years ending the 15th day of May 1908 of Deputations to London in connection with (a) Public General Bills; (b) Private Bills or Provisional Orders; and (c) other purposes; incurred by the following bodies in Scotland (to be separately stated for each body), viz.: town councils, county councils, district committees, district lunacy boards, parish councils, district poor law boards, education committee, school boards, education trusts, and any water, gas, dock, harbour, or other commissioners or trustees liable to make Returns under the Local Taxation Returns (Scotland) Act, 1881. — (Mr. Pirie.)

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Mr. Russell Rea reported from the Select Port of London Bill Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on the Port of London Bill: That they had considered the said Bill, and taken evidence thereon, which they had agreed to report to the House; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 350. Joint Committee, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for Monday the 12th day of October next; and be printed.

The Commons Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Bill [Lords.] Monday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth: The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs Duties) Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Costs in Criminal Cases Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the University of Durham Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Marriages Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Naval Lands (Volunteers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Married Women’s Property Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Grand Jury (Ireland) Act (1836) Amendment Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Usk Fisheries Provisional Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment. The Lords have agreed to the Wye Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.
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Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill, 351.

The Lords have agreed to the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, 350.

The Lords have agreed to the Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Telegraph (Construction) Bill, 351.

The Lords have agreed to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill, 352.

The Lords have agreed to the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Old Age Pensions Bill, 353.

The Lords have agreed to the Old Age Pensions Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Irish Universities Bill, 354.

The Lords have agreed to the Irish Universities Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Agricultural Holdings Bill (Lords), 355.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Agricultural Holdings Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill (Lords), 356.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill (Lords), 357.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Registration Bill (Lords), 358.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Registration Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill (Lords), 359.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill (Lords), 360.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment Bill (Lords), 361.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Thames River Steamboat Service Act (1904) Amendment Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bee Pest (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Old Age Pensions Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Irish Universities Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to prohibit the manufacturing, sale and importation of Matches made with white phosphorus, and for other purposes in connection therewith:—And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sinclair, supported by the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, presented a Bill to extend the powers of the Crofters Commission in regard to the regulation of Common Grazings:—And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sinclair, supported by the Lord Advocate and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to County Government, and to roads and bridges, and the use of locomotives thereon, in Scotland:—And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

Mr. Dundas White, supported by Sir George Transfer of M'Crae, Mr. Younger, Mr. Beale, Mr. M'Cullum, and Mr. Smearns, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the transfer of Goods:—And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of October next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question was Business of proposed, That the Proceedings on any Private being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; and it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means may be entered upon at any hour, and be not interrupted under any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House—(Mr. Asquith):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Barlow be added to the Select Committee on House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms).—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill:—And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; and it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the London and District Electric Supply Bill (Lords):—And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now"; and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Chaplin.)
And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Chaplin rose in his place and claimed to more, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Claude Hay, 156.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Burdett-Coutts: 188.

Tellers for the [Mr. Timothy Davies, 70.]

Mr. Pickersgill:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 138.]

Master of Bills bank:

Tellers for the [Mr. Pickersgill, 90.]

Mr. Timothy Davies:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government Provisions Order (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The postponed proceeding on the Question, That the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill be now read a second time, was resumed.

And the Question being again proposed;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.

Mr. Buchanan reported from the Committee on East India Loans [Railway and Irrigation Works and General Purposes] a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise in the United Kingdom, on the security of the Revenues of India, by the creation and issue of capital stock bonds, debentures, or bills—

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(1) A sum not exceeding £20,000,000 for the following purposes:—

(a) The construction, extension, and equipment of railways in India by State agency or through the agency of companies;

(b) The repayment of the principal of any bonds or debentures issued by any such company under the guarantee of the Secretary of State;

(c) The discharge of any obligations incurred by the Secretary of State by reason of the purchase of any railway or the determination of any contract from or with such company;

(d) The construction of irrigation works in India;

(2) A sum not exceeding £5,000,000 for the general purposes of the Government of India.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Hobhouse do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Buchanan accordingly presented a Bill to empower the Secretary of State in Council of Loans Bill, to raise money in the United Kingdom for the construction, extension, and equipment of Railways in India by State agency or through the agency of companies, for the construction of Irrigation Works, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

The Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into considerion the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Appeal (Ireland) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Paving Expenses Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

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Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of October next.

Resolved, That the Statement of the estimated Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital and of Travers's Foundation for the year 1908–9 be approved.—(Mr. Lamberti.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then twenty minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the President of Queen's College, Belfast, for the year 1907–8.

Mr. Birrell also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Offences (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 30th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of the West Riding of Yorkshire under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the Urban Districts of Ravensthorpe, Soothill Nether, and Thornhill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Taxes and Imposts.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Edward Stracey, presented, by His Board of Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1907. Vol. XLII. Part III., Prices and Supplies of Corn, Live Stock, and other Agricultural Produce.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Treaty Series (No. 29, 1908,) His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Treaty between the United Kingdom and the United States of America, providing (1) for the conveyance of persons in custody for Trial either in the Dominion of Canada or the United States through the territory of the other; and (2) for reciprocal rights in Wrecking and Salvage in the waters contiguous to the boundary between the Dominion of Canada and the United States. Signed at Washington, 19th May 1908. Ratifications exchanged at Washington, 30th June 1908.

Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports Annual Series, No. 4083.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Statistical Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the principal and other Foreign Countries in each year from 1896 to 1905–6. Thirty-fourth Number.

Copy of Abstract and detailed Tables showing Trade Countries of Consignment of Imports and Countries of ultimate Destination of Exports, (Supplement to Vols. I., II.)

Copy of Translation of the Law establishing a new Customs Tariff for Denmark; together with comparison, as far as possible, of the Rates of Customs Duty contained in the new Tariff with the Rates at present in force, and the English equivalents of both.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, other than those of Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1907 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 338 of Session 1907).—(Sir Hudson Kearley.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom belonging to Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1908 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 339 of Session 1907).—(Sir Hudson Kearley.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, other than those of Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1907 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 338 of Session 1907).—(Sir Hudson Kearley.)

Ordered, That the said Amendments be considered; and the said Return be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Polling Lodges to the Polling Districts and Registration Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Sir Edward Stracey, presented, by His Board of Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1907. Vol. XLII. Part III., Prices and Supplies of Corn, Live Stock, and other Agricultural Produce.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Old Age Pensions Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Old Age Pensions Bill.

The first three Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 7, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 2, after "("until") to ("Parliament"), in l. 9, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 39, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 20, at the end, insert—

("(d) If any person is aggrieved by the refusal or neglect of a local pension committee to consider a claim for a pension, or to determine any question referred to them, that person may apply in the prescribed manner to the central pension authority, and that authority may, if they consider that the local pension committee have refused or neglected to consider and determine the claim or question within a reasonable time, themselves consider and determine the claim or question in the same manner as on an appeal from the decision of the local pension committee.

(e) The expression 'party aggrieved' shall include a member of the said committee who has taken part in the consideration of the report and has dissented from the decision.")

The next Amendment, being read a second time.

The said Amendment was divided.

So much of the said Lords' Amendment as relates to the insertion of paragraph (d) was agreed to.

So much of the said Lords' Amendment as relates to the insertion of paragraph (e) was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, l. 6, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, after l. 6, insert as a new subsection—

("(8) Any reference in this Act to pension authorities shall be construed as a reference to the pension officer, the local pension committee, and the central pension authority, or to any one of them, as the case requires.")

The next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, l. 9, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 9, after ("representation"), insert ("or if any person directly or indirectly deprives himself of any income or property in order to qualify himself for the receipt of an old age pension, or for the receipt of an old age pension at a higher rate than that to which he would otherwise be entitled under this Act.")

The next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 7, l. 17, insert as a new subsection—

("(3) Every regulation under this Act shall be laid before each House of Parliament forthwith, and if an Address is presented to His Majesty by either House of Parliament within the next subsequent twenty-one days on which that House has sat next after any such regulation is laid before it, praying that the regulation may be annulled, His Majesty in Council may annul the regulation, and it shall thenceforth be void, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder.")

The remaining Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee of Seven Members be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Asquith, Mr. Balfour, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, and Mr. Eugene Wason: And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Irish Universities Bill.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 39, being read a second time, were agreed to.
The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 39, after (''funds''), insert (''and the professor or lecturer is not eligible for membership of the General Board of Studies, or of any faculty other than the faculty of theology; or (b) the erection of any church, chapel, or place of religious worship or observance by means of private benefaction within or without the precincts of the university or college''),

the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment — (Mr. Birrell);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. J. P. Pease, Master of Eltham : ] 142.
Tellers for the [Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Noes, Mr. Haviland-Burke : ] 40.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 41, after (''teaching''), insert (''or'') and leave out (''or religious worship''), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill, in lieu of the Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 39, which was disagreed to, by inserting, in p. 3, l. 41, at the end thereof the words ''and no professor of or lecturer in theology or divinity shall be eligible for membership of the General Board of Studies, or of any faculty other than the faculty of theology.'''—(Mr. Birrell.)

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to several of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Birrell, Mr. Bright, Mr. Walter Long, and Mr. Herbert Samuel: And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Birrell.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn until Monday the 12th day of October next; that for the remainder of the Session Government Business have precedence at every Sitting; that at the conclusion of Government Business on each day Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put; and that on Fridays the House, unless it otherwise resolves, shall at its rising stand adjourned until the following Monday.—(Mr. Asquith);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5, by leaving out from the word 'morrow' to the end of the Question.—(Sir Charles Dilke.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn until Monday the 12th day of October next; that for the remainder of the Session Government Business have precedence at every Sitting; that at the conclusion of Government Business on each day Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put; and that on Fridays the House, unless it otherwise resolves, shall at its rising stand adjourned until the following Monday.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported Old Age Pensions Bill, from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to several of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Old Age Pensions Bill;—that they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they desired him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 1, l. 5 and 10, for the following Reason;—Because the effect of these Amendments would be to limit the duration of old age pensions as proposed by the Commons; and the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further Reason, hoping the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 1, l. 21, for the following Reason;—Because, so far as the matter is not capable of being dealt with by regulations, the Commons consider that the Lords' Amendment puts technical difficulties in the way of obtaining pensions, which the Commons consider are unnecessary.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 7, for the following Reason;—Because the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further Reason, hoping the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 34 and 35, for the following Reason;—Because the object aimed at can be met by regulations under the Bill.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 3, l. 17, for the following Reason;—Because the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further Reason, hoping the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.
The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 5, 1. 2, for the following Reason:—Because it would apply tests of means which would be more stringent than those in the Bill, and very difficult to administer.

The Commons, while agreeing to the Amendment made by the Lords to insert, after l. 80, paragraph (d), disagree with the Amendment to insert paragraph (e), for the following Reason:—Because they do not consider that a special appeal should be given in such a case.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 5, ls. 30 and 40, for the following Reason:—Because these Amendments alter the constitution of the body appointed by this House for carrying the Act into force; and the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further Reason, hoping the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 6, l. 1.9, for the following Reason:—Because they consider that this is not a matter which should properly be made a criminal offence.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords to insert a new subsection after l. 1.1, for the following Reason:—Because they consider that the subject of the Amendment is a matter for regulation.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Mr. Birrell reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Irish Universities Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:—

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 5, l. 3.9, for the following Reason:—Because the first part of the Amendment is not in the proper place in the Clause, and they propose to insert the corresponding provision at the end of l. 4.1; and because the second part of the Amendment is contrary to the principle on which public money was given to the university.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate the Companies Act, 1889, and the Acts amending it; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Lunacy Acts, 1890 and 1891; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Friendly Societies Bill be now considered.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Bill, with Amendments; to which they consider that the subject of the Amendment is a matter for regulation.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 6, l. 9, for the following Reason:—Because they do not consider that a special appeal should be given in such a case.

The said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant July, it being then nine minutes after Seven of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, public petitions, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented,—Return to an Emigration Order, dated the 31st day of this instant July; and immigrant for a Return relative to Emigration and Immigration.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Hohhouse presented, by His Majesty's Fishery Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee Investigation, appointed to inquire into the Scientific and Statistical Investigations now being carried on in relation to the Fishing Industry of the United Kingdom.

Copy of Report of the Director to the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland, for the year 1907.

Mr. Hohhouse also presented,—Return to an Local Taxation Order, dated the 14th day of July last, for a Return relative to Local Taxation Licences, &c., 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.
Sir Edward Steacie presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Proceedings at the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of Representatives of Authorities under the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Outline of the successive Legislative and Administrative Conditions affecting the Relations of the Board of Education to Agricultural Education.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Old Age Pensions Bill to which this House hath disagreed.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Irish Universities Bill to which this House hath disagreed, and agree to the Amendment made by the Commons to the Amendment made by the Lords, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Commons Regulation (Towyn Trewan) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Endowed Schools (Masters) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

A Message was delivered by Thomas Dacres Butler, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1908.
2. Finance Act, 1908.
3. Patents and Designs Act, 1908.
5. Police (Superannuation) Act, 1908.
6. Public Health Act, 1908.
8. Tobacco Growing (Scotland) Act, 1908.
10. Companies Act, 1908.
11. Polling Districts (County Councils) Act, 1908.
13. Cran Measures Act, 1908.
15. Agricultural Holdings Act, 1908.
20. Friendly Societies Act, 1908.
23. Old Age Pensions Act, 1908.
24. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1908.
25. Seed Potatoes and Seed Oats Supply (Ireland) Act, 1908.
27. Whale Fisheries (Ireland) Act, 1908.
28. Coste in Criminal Cases Act, 1908.
29. Married Women's Property Act, 1908.
30. Polling Districts and Registration of Voters (Ireland) Act, 1908.
33. Registration Act, 1908.
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37. Telegraph (Construction) Act, 1908.
38. Public Offices Sites (Extension) Act, 1908.
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Copy of Accession of the United States of Treaty Series America to the International Agreement of 18th May 1904 for the Suppression of the White Slave Traffic (6th June 1906).


Copy of Agreement between the United Treaty Series Kingdom and Ethiopia relative to the Frontier (No. 27, 1908) between British East Africa, Uganda, and Ethiopia. Signed at Addis Ababa, 6th December 1907 [with Map].

Copy of further Correspondence respecting Africa the Taxation of Natives and other Questions in the Congo State.

Copy of Despatch from His Majesty's China Minister in China forwarding a General Report (No. 2, 1908.) by Mr. Leech respecting the Opium Question in China.

 Copies of Reports respecting the Limitations Limitation of Speeches in the Supreme Legislative Assemblies in certain Foreign Countries.

 Copies of Reports from His Majesty's Representatives Abroad respecting the Limitation of Speeches in the Supreme Legislative Assemblies.

 Copies of Reports, Nos. 567 (Seychelles, Annual Report for 1907), 568 (Bermaus, Annual Report for 1907), 570 (Hong Kong, Annual Report for 1907), 571 (Malta, Report for 1907-8), 572 (British Honduras, Annual Report for 1907), 597 (Gibraltar, Annual Report for 1907), 574 (Nyasaland, Report for 1907-8), 575 (Bamana, Report for 1907-8), 576 (Gambia, Annual Report for 1907).


Copy of Report on Agriculture in Asia Minor, Asia Minor, with special reference to Cotton Cultivation, by Professor Wynham Dunstan, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S., Director of the Imperial Institute.

Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties, Railway as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Accidents, Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ended 31st March 1908, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Copy of General Report to the Board of Trade on Railway Accidents.

Copy of Return, in pursuance of Section 4 of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1889, of
Railway Servants of certain classes who were, on one or more occasions during the month of April 1908, on duty on the Railways of the United Kingdom for more than twelve hours at a time, or, after being on duty more than twelve hours, were allowed to resume work with less than nine hours' rest, showing periods of duty after deduction of time (if any) spent on travelling home after relief, with Appendices giving additional statements and explanations furnished by the Railway Companies.

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, authorising the construction of Light Railways in the Urban District of Watford, in the County of Hertford, and amending the County of Hertford Light Railways (No. 1) Order, 1904 (County of Hertford Light Railways (Watford and Bushey Extensions, &c.) Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, authorising the construction of Light Railways in the Borough of Carnarvon, being a deviation and extension of the authorised undertaking of the Portmadoc, Beddgelert, and South Snowdon Railway Company from Dinas to Carnarvon, and the abandonment of a part of the said undertaking at Beddgelert, Beddgelert, and South Snowdon Railway (Light Railway Extension at Carnarvon) Order, 1908.

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, authorising the construction of a Light Railway in the Counties of Carmarthen and of Cardigan from Llandilo to Lampeter (Llandilo and Lampeter Light Railway Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, authorising the construction of a Light Railway in the Borough of Carnarvon, being a deviation and extension of the authorised undertaking of the Portmadoc, Beddgelert, and South Snowdon Railway Company, 1901 to 1907 (Central Essex Light Railway Orders, 1901 to 1907 (Central Essex Light Railway (Amendment and Extension of Time) Order, 1908).

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Act, 1896, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, authorising the construction of a Light Railway in the County of Carnarvon from the termination of the railway authorised by the said Act of 1901 near Beddgelert to Blettwys-Coed, and amending and consolidating the capital and borrowing powers of the Company, and for other purposes (Portmadoc, Beddgelert, and South Snowdon Railway (Light Railway) Order, 1908).

Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1907.


Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by J. S. Martin, Esq., one of His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at Norton Hill Colliery on 9th April 1908.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Captain H. Cunnington, R.A., His Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion of Detonators at the Factory of the Patent Electric Newbold, Derbyshire, Shot Firing Company, Newbold, in the County of Derby, on the 29th June 1908.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Major A. Cooper-Key, His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion at the Factory of the Patent Electric Newbold, Derbyshire, Shot Firing Company, Newbold, in the County of Derby, on the 29th June 1908.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Major A. Cooper-Key, His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion on the premises occupied by the Mersey, Weaver, and Ship Canal Carrying Company, Limited, in the vicinity of the Mersey, at Dawson Street, Halme, Manchester, on 23rd June 1908.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Hugh Johnstone, Esquire, His Majesty's Inspector of Mines, on the causes of and circumstances attending an explosion on the premises occupied by the Mersey, Weaver, and Ship Canal Carrying Company, Limited, in the vicinity of the Mersey, at Brereton Collieries, South Staffordshire, on 10th February 1908.

Copy of Report respecting Peterhead Harbours Works.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence given before the Committee appointed in relation to the Fishing Industry of the United Kingdom, together with Appendices and Report.

Copy of Returns of the number of Courts Martial held, and summary Punishments Martial.) inflicted, on Seamen of the Royal Navy, &c., during the year 1907.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1907.

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Copy of Report on Secondary Education in Scotland for the year 1908, by J. Struthers, Esquire, C.B., LL.D.

Copy of Fifty-second Annual Report of the Registrar General for Scotland, for the year 1908.


Copy of Report of the Army Medical Department for the year 1907.


Copy of the Licence granted by His Majesty to Teresa Rea, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the East End Refuge, Finsbury, N.

Copy of the Returns of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the months of November and December 1907.

Copy of the Fiftieth Report of the Board of Superintendence for the year 1907-


Copy of the Seventy-fourth Report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, being for the year 1907-


Copy of the Forty-sixth Report of the Inspector of Reformatories and Industrial Schools in Ireland, for the year 1907.

Copy of the Fifty-seventh Report of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums in Ireland, for the year 1907, with Appendices.

Copy of the Abstracts showing the acreage under Crops and the numbers of Live Stock in each County and Province of Ireland for the year 1907-8.

Copy of the Seventeenth Report of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland of Proceedings under the Congested Districts Acts, 1891 to 1904, for the year ending 31st March 1908.

Copy of the Annual Report of Proceedings of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1907, the Mercantile Marks Acts, 1887 to 1904, the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, and the Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, for the year 1907.

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Copy of the Seventeenth Report of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland of Proceedings under the Congested Districts Acts, 1891 to 1904, for the year ending 31st March 1908.
Order in Council of 2nd November 1907; (2) amending Pilotage Byelaws made by the Tocs Pilotage Commissioners in substitution for the Byelaws approved by Order in Council of 26th October 1896; (3) amending Pilotage Byelaws made by the Bristol Pilotage Authority.

Copy of Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 26th September 1908: (1) revoking the Brunei Orders in Council of 1901 and 1906; (2) allowing appeals to His Majesty in Council from decisions of the Straits Settlements Supreme Court, sitting as a court of appeal from the courts having jurisdiction in Brunei; (3) the Foreign Jurisdiction (Probates) Order in Council, 1908; (4) the Pacific Order in Council (1895) Amendment Order, 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Extradition Acts, 1870 and 1873, dated 1st August 1908, entitled the Straits Settlements Extradition Order, 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Mail Ships Acts, 1891 and 1902, dated 1st August 1908, entitled the Mail Ships (Rules) Order in Council, 1908.

Copy of Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, amending Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to—

1. An improvement in the pay of Captains in the Royal Marines after eleven and fourteen years' seniority, respectively, dated 1st August 1908.

2. The payment of an allowance of 10s. a month to Warrant Officers and Officers promoted therefrom, when employed on duties connected with target practice and other duties, for wear and tear of clothing, dated 1st August 1908.

3. An extension of the allowances for boarding-making on board His Majesty's Ships, dated 26th September 1908.

4. Extra pay for Seamen and Artificer Divers at depths of more than twenty-five fathoms, dated 26th September 1908.

5. The payment of an allowance of 2d. a day to Seamen Gunners employed on clerical duties under certain conditions, dated 26th September 1908.

6. The payment of an allowance of 2s. 6d. a day to the Assistant Paymaster appointed for duty with the Captain Commanding Torpedo Destroyers of the Channel Fleet, for work of an onerous and responsible character, dated 26th September 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Ecclesiastical Fees Acts, dated 6th October 1908, allowing a Table of Ecclesiastical Fees and Payments settled by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chancellor, and the Archbishop of York.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Oxford and Cambridge Universities Act, 1877 (Oxford), be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Return under the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1897, giving particulars of cases in which persons have been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 30th June 1908.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, made by the Urban District Council of Coketown, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Vol. 163.

fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 1st October 1908, of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction in Ireland, entitled the Black Scab in Potatoes (Ireland) Order, 1908.

Copy of Order made by the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Motor Car Acts, Acts, limiting the speed of Motor Cars on certain roads in the County of Wicklow, &c.

Copy of Order made by the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Labourers (Ireland) Orders, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 14th August 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Kent) Order, 1908 (No. 3).

Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 28th August 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Essex) Order, 1908.

Copy of an Order, No. 7559, dated 22nd September 1908, under the Diseases of Animals (Destructive Insects and Pests) Acts, 1894 to 1903, relating to Animals being carried on the Steamer "Diana."

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seeley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order of the Leeward Islands further to amend the Prison Act, 1877, and to enable Prisoners to earn by special industry a remission of a portion of their imprisonment, together with Rules made under Section 2 thereof.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the Superannuation and Marine Pay Acts, 1894 to 1903, relating to Public Prosecution professional or other peculiar qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired on the Public Service are required.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Navy Command,—Copy of Statistical Report of the Health of the Navy for the year 1907.

Mr. McKenna also presented,—Return to an Army and Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for an Army Return relative to Navy and Army (Inquiries).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House—

Copy of Accounts of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board for the year ending 1st July 1908.
The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  

The Question being put, That the Clause be read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Prohibition of alcohol given to children)—(Mr. Wedgwood)—was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Prohibition of alcohol given to children)—(Mr. Wedgwood)—was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Robert Cecil, Yeas, Mr. Summerbell : 123. 

Tellers for the [Mr. John Ward, Noes, Mr. Joggins-Hicks : 103.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l.2, by inserting, after the word “liquor,” the words “or other substance containing any narcotic or other thing likely to be deleterious to the health of the child.”—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Robert Cecil, Yeas, Mr. Bowes : 62. 

Tellers for the [Mr. Wedgwood, Noes, Mr. Maclean : 172.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l.2, by inserting, after the word “liquor,” the words “within the meaning of the Intoxicating Liquors Act.”—(Mr. Pickersgill.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l.2, by inserting, after the word “liquor,” the words “within the meaning of the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906.”—(Mr. Pickersgill.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l.3, by inserting, after the word “practitioner,” the words “or nurse.”—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l.3, by inserting, after the word “sickness,” the words “or apprehended sickness.”—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the Clause, as amended, be added to the Bill;

Another Clause (Notice to parent of child or young person charged, &c. in certain cases)—(Mr. Walter Guinness)—was brought up, and read the first time.
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wedgwood, 140. 
Mr. Stummfeld]; 
Tellers for the [Lord Robert Cecil, 85. 
Mr. Booths: 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 8, by leaving out the words “one or more.”—(Mr. Rawlinson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 8, by leaving out the word “seven,” and inserting the word “five”—(Mr. Rawlinson),—thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “seven” stand part of the Bill:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 31, by leaving out subsection (4) of Clause 2. — (Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 27, by leaving out Clause 4. — (Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 9, by inserting, after the word “purposes,” the words “or to any religious or charitable society which shall pay any person for keeping an infant, or the person so employed, provided that the society has appointed a person who shall visit, inspect, and report to the society on the state of such infant at least once in each three months.”—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by adding at the end thereof the words “and provided that such religious or charitable society shall have obtained from the Local Government Board a certificate that it is a fit and proper institution to be exempted from the provisions of this part of this Act”—(Mr. Charles Craig.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added to the said proposed Amendment:— The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words “or to any religious or charitable society which shall pay any person for keeping an infant, or the person so employed, provided that the society has appointed a person who shall visit, inspect, and report to the society on the state of such infant at least once in each three months” be inserted, after the word “purposes,” in p. 7, l. 9:

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then two minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 13th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 577 (Saint Vincent, Report for 1907-8), 578 (Turks and Caicos Islands, Annual Report for 1907), 579 (Saint Lucia, Annual Report for 1907).

Copy of Correspondence relating to the Naval Australasia, Defence of Australia and New Zealand.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Trade Records Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to consider and report how far any change is desirable in the form in which the Trade Accounts of the United Kingdom are published, as regards the Countries from which Imports are received and to which Exports are sent.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before Trade Records Departmental Committee on Trade Records, (Departmental Committee, with Appendices and Index.)
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Urban District Council of Ennis-killean under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the Local Government Board, 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Kobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 31st August 1908, granting a retired allowance to William H. Harrington, First Class Clerk, Supplementary Establishment, Secretary's Office, Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Stroacey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 7th October 1908, revoking Order No. 7559, dated 22nd September 1908, relating to the Steamship “Diana” and to Animals carried thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

No new Member sworn.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel)
Standing Committee C, Vol. 163.

Mr. Stuart-Wortley reported from the Chairmen's Panel, That they had discharged Mr. John William Wilson from being Chairman of Standing Committee C, and had appointed George Bewick, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to fill the vacancy.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. David Brynmor Jones to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C in his place.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 14, by leaving out Clause 35.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words “If any person” stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Master of Elibank, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis; Noes, Mr. Lupton.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 14, by leaving out the word “apparently.”—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being put, That the word “apparently” stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Master of Elibank, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis; Noes, Mr. Fell.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 15, by leaving out the word “sixteen” and inserting the word “twelve” —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “sixteen” stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 15, by leaving out the word “whether.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word “whether” stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Master of Elibank, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis; Noes, Lord Robert Cecil.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 24, by leaving out Clause 40.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “boy,” in p. 23, l. 27, stand part of the Bill:

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The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
Yea,  {Master of Elizanb, } 181.
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, 
Noes,  {Mr. Waton Buthford, } 61.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 27, by leaving out the word “apparently.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word “apparently” stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 32, by inserting at the end thereof the words “and if any cigarettes, cigarette papers, or other tobacco are so seized, it shall be reported to the chief officer of police of the district, who shall send a written notice of the fact to the parent or guardian of the person from whom it was seized.”—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Walter Guinness, 
Yea,  {Sir Frederick Banbury : } 55.
Tellers for the [Master of Elizanb, 
Noes,  {Mr. Herbert Lewis : } 207.

So it was passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 1, by leaving out Clause 42.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “is,” in p. 24, l. 3, stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 
Yea,  {Master of Elizanb, } 201.
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, 
Noes,  {Mr. Moore : } 56.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being Eleven of the clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill Second Reading of the Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Bill Second Reading of the Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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relating to Legislation affecting Asiatics in the Transvaal.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July last, for a Return of the subscriptions to the War Loan, of the 1st of August, 1908, with the total amount subscribed in each of the post offices in the United Kingdom, and also the amounts subscribed by the Post Office Savings Bank, by orders of deposit, and the amounts obtained from the sale of Government stock for the same.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 to 1907, dated the 5th day of October 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Shropshire) Order of 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 16th September 1908, granting a retired allowance to Mr. W. D. Ballantyne, Sorting Clerk and Telegraphist, Edinburgh, Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 2nd October 1908, granting a retired allowance to Mr. H. S. Ball, Telegraph Engineer, Second Class, Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 16th September 1908, granting a retired allowance to Mr. H. S. Ball, Telegraph Engineer, Second Class, Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Return of the amounts of all Public Revenue derived from Taxes levied by Parliament, and from any other sources, which are not paid into His Majesty’s Exchequer, for the years 1905-6, 1906-7, 1907-8, and 1908-9 (estimated), with the totals in each case (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 334 of Session 1906).—(Mr. Bowles.)

Licensing Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 2 (Power by resolution to prohibit grant of new licences).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out subsection (1).—(Earl Winterton.)

Question put, That the word “If” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 261.
Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 284.
Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. George Faber, 109.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, after the word “requiring or,” to insert the words “the removal of any licence into such district or.”—(Mr. Arnold Herbert.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out the words “the grant of new licences,” in order to insert the words “any increase in the existing number of licences.”—(Mr. Salter.)

Question put, That the words “the grant of new” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 230.
Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 72.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Lane-Fox: 108.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Lane-Fox: 117.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word “district,” to insert the words “or in any large borough as defined in section seventeen of this Act.”—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 275.
Yeas, Mr. Lane-Fox: 122.

An amendment was put, that the House will, at the Committee, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 315.
Yeas, Viscount Valentina: 117.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone,) put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Children Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Prevention of Crime Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Bail Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.]; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

London Paving Expenses Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Education (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

East India Loans Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eight minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 15th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public Petitions, vide Seventh Reports.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Offences in County Armagh (Ireland), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant October, be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Report, No. 56 (Turks and Caicos Islands, Report on the Salt Industry, by Mr. F. H. Watkins, Commissioner of the Turks and Caicos Islands).

Colonel Seely also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 3rd day of June last, for a Return relative to Speeches (Time Limits) (Colonial and Foreign Legislatures). No. 301.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Mines (Royal Majesty's Command.—Copy of Minutes of Commission). Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Mines, with Index and Appendices. Vol. III.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to an Order made by the Council of the County Borough of Sunderland under the Shop Hours Act, 1894, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to an Order, No. 7572, dated the 8th October 1908, revoking Order No. 6955, dated the 11th October 1905, and defining a specified part of the Port of Manchester as a Foreign Animals Wharf.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Third Report (Northern Area) on Fishery and Hydrographical Investigations in the North Sea and adjacent waters, 1904-6. Statistical Papers.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Majestv's Command.—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4148 to 4148.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Selection Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Tuberculosis (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Herbert Samuel, and Colonel Seely; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Birrell, Mr. T. W. Russell, Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland, and Dr. Cooper.
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Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee A the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Tuberculosis [Ireland] Bill):—Mr. Walsh, Mr. Collison, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Hasleton, Sir John Tuke, Mr. Gallaud, Mr. Glendinning, Mr. Sloan, Captain Craig, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, Mr. Hugh Barrie, and Mr. Robert Price.

Standing Committee A.

Tuberculosis (Ireland) Bill.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Sir Edward Strachey; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Mauro Ferguson.

Standing Committee B.

Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had added to Standing Committee B the following Fifteen Members (in respect of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords]):—Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Vivian, Mr. Hills, Mr. Walter Guinness, Mr. Abel Smith, Viscount Mersey, Lord William de Eresby, Sir John Dickson-Poynder, Mr. Ryland Atkins, Mr. Bateman Hope, Mr. Aiden, Mr. Barran, Mr. Montags, and Sir John Dewar.

Standing Committee C.

Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill):—Mr. Rees; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. David Davies.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Member ordered to withdraw.

Mr. Grayson, Member for the Colne Valley Division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, having risen to move the Adjournment of the House, Mr. Speaker informed him that such a Motion could not be made at that time, having regard to the provisions of the Order of the House of the 17th July; but the honourable Member proceeded, nevertheless, to address the House.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker called upon him to discontinue his speech, and on the honourable Member refusing to obey the directions of the Chair, Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, directed him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day’s Sitting, and called upon the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove the honourable Member, who was removed accordingly.

Member removed by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Licensing Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

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(Closure claimed, but Chairman withdraws his assent.)

Clause No. 3 (Regrant of licence to be treated as grant of new licence after reduction period). Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1, 9, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Courthope.) Question proposed, That the words "After the" stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising; William Redmond, Mr. Asquith rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, as it appeared to him that the Committee were prepared shortly to come to a decision without that Motion:—Debate resumed.

Question put, That the words "After the" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, [Master of Elibank: 313.]

Tellers for the (Sir Alexander Acland- Noes, [Viscount Valentia: 117.]

An it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Children Bill, into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education (Scotland) Bill, (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties, as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ended 30th June 1908, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Rule, dated 20th August 1908, in substitution for Rule 103 of the Bankruptcy Rules, 1886, in pursuance of Section 127 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Financial Instructions under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, for Pension Committees and Sub-Committees.

Copy of Old Age Pensions Regulations, 1908, under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, dated 20th August 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County Borough of Salford under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the county borough.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords.]; that they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

Clause No. 3 (Regrant of licence to be treated as grant of new licence after reduction period).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 9, after the first word "the," to insert the words "expiration of the lease of any licensed premises granted prior to the fifth day of April nineteen hundred and eight, or, if there be no such lease, after the."—(Mr. James Hope).

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Grotton, Yes, [Earl Winterton : 59, Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, [Master of Elibank : 183, Member requested to discontinue Speech.

The Chairman called the attention of the Committee to the disorderly conduct of Mr. Grayson, Member for the Cefn Valley Division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, and directed him to discontinue his speech; but the honourable Member persisted in addressing the Committee, whereupon the Chairman, in pursuance of the Order of the House, Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's Sitting; but Mr. Grayson persisted in his disorderly conduct.

Whereupon the Chairman named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair, and left the Chair to report the circumstance to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that Mr. Grayson had been named by him to the Committee as disregarding the authority of the Chair.

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Member Question being put, That Mr. Grayson be suspended from the service of the House—(Mr. Asquith):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then directed Mr. Grayson to withdraw, and he withdrew accordingly.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 9, to leave out from the first word "the" to the word "compensation," in l. 10, in order to insert the words "fifth day of April nineteen hundred and thirty."—(Mr. Bottomley).

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.


And it being Five of the clock, the Chairman Question put proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put the Question on an Amendment of which notice had been given by the Government.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 13, to leave out the words "on-licence," in order to insert the words "licences (whether an on-licence or an off-licence)."—(Mr. Harcourt).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put, and agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Children Bill, into consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then two minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 19th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 13th October 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 40 (4) of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, extending the special exceptions under that section to Florists' Workshops.

Copy of Order, dated 13th October 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 45 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, granting a special exception under that section in respect of the women and young persons employed in (a) Florists' Workshops, (b) Hospital Laundries in Scotland.

Copy of Order, dated 13th October 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 46 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, granting a special exception under that section to Florists' Workshops.

Copy of Order, dated 13th October 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 49 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, extending the special exception under that section to certain non-textile Factories and Workshops, and revoking the Orders of 29th December 1903 and 15th November 1904.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations for the conveyance of Fish.

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from Trawlers made under Section 417 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copies of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Bentinck presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 23) Warrant, 1908, dated 15th August 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, dated 15th October 1908.

Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Supreme Paymaster General, on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in respect of the Funds of Suitors of the Court in the year ended 29th February 1908, and of Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notice.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Sheriff Officers in the Sheriff Courts in Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Order of the House of Commons, —Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4149.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 16th day of this instant October, That the Papers relative to the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, be printed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, by counties and quarterly periods, of the number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland during the quarter ended on the 30th September 1908.

Copy of Agricultural Statistics of Ireland for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 16th day of this instant October, That the Papers relative to the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, be printed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the number of Cattle Drives reported by the Royal Irish Constabulary to have taken place in Ireland from the 1st day of January 1907 to the 30th day of September 1908, was laid before this House.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing Committee B, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. Byles; and (in respect of the said Bill):—Mr. Acland Allen.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Children Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "persons," the words "for the purpose of obtaining cigarettes for his own use or that of other children or young persons." — (Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 21, by inserting, after the word "business," the words "or was bona fide employed as a messenger at the time." — (Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "cigarettes," the words "or any other." — (Viscount Helmsley.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 40, by leaving out the word "cigarettes," and inserting the word "tobacco" — (Lord Robert Cecil),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "cigarettes" stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 26, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "establishing," the words "with the approval of the Secretary of State." — (Mr. Staveley-Hill.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 24, by leaving out subsection (1) of Clause 59. — (Captain Craig.)

And the Question being put, That the word "Any" stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 65, l. 1, by leaving out Clause 118.—(Mr. Claude Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 65, l. 7, by leaving out Clause 119.—(Mr. Rowlinson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltham: ] 206.

Tellers for the [Mr. Rowlinson, Viscount Helmsley]: 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time: —The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Prevention of Crime Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

 Bail Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Licensing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Licensing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Port of London (recommitted) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, War, &c.]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords], to insert in the Bill a provision conferring purchasing powers on the London County Council:

That any person affected by such a provision shall be entitled to be heard before the Committee upon any Petition presented not later than 22nd October —(Sir Hudson Kearley);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by leaving out the words "the London County Council," and inserting the words "a central authority composed of representatives of the municipal authorities owning their electrical supplies within the area covered by the Bill"—(Mr. Rowland), instead thereof.

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And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: 174.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Rowlands, Noes, Mr. Whitehead: 86.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:
And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Lorrison rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. Churchill rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: 153.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Chiazza Money, Noes, Mr. Ernest Lamb: 144.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: 212.]
Tellers for the [Sir William Bull, Noes, Mr. Cave: 70.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, to insert in the Bill a provision conferring purchasing powers on the London County Council.

That any person affected by such a provision shall be entitled to be heard before the Committee upon any Petition presented not later than 22nd October.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Municipal Boroughs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twenty minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 156.]

Tuesday, 20th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Local Taxation (Scotland) Returns for the year 1906—7.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Nata;

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Old Age a Return of Copies of Circulars issued by the pensions Act, Local Government Board, dated the 4th day of October, 1908.
of August, the 21st day of August, and the 10th day of October 1908.—(Mr. Burns.)

Mr. Sydney Buxton, Mr. Crossley, and Mr. William Nicholson were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords].—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. Muir Ferguson; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Charles Cobett.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Licensing Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Re-grant of licence to be treated as grant of new licence after reduction period). Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1. 18, to leave out subsection (2), in order to add the words—

"(2) On the termination of the reduction period—

(a) the foregoing provisions of this Act as to local option shall take effect as if a majority of two-thirds of the votes given were required for the carrying of a resolution instead of a bare majority; and

(b) those provisions shall be extended in such manner as Parliament may determine so as to authorise a resolution limiting the number of licences to the number existing at the time, or reducing that number to any less number; and

(c) a prohibitory resolution in force at the date of the termination of the reduction period shall cease to have effect, but the provision of this Act as to the interval required between the taking of polls shall not prevent a poll being taken on a further resolution, although three years have not elapsed since the date of the poll on the resolution which has so ceased to take effect."

—(Mr. Harcourt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "after," in l. 18, stand part of the Clause;

And it being half an hour after Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yea, [Master of Elibank :]
Mr. Joseph Pease,
Noes, [Viscount Valentia :]
Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, 135.

The Chairman then proceeded to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day.

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Question put forthwith

(proposed to

the Order of the

House.)

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yea, [Master of Elibank :]
Mr. Joseph Pease, 301.
Tellers for the

Noes, [Viscount Valentia :]
Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, 131.

Clause No. 4 (Discretion of licensing justices as to extinction of licences).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question put, That the word "the" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yea, [Master of Elibank :]
Mr. Joseph Pease, 249.
Tellers for the

Noes, [Viscount Valentia :]
Mr. Henry Forster.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 25, after the word "to," to insert the words "refer to."—(Mr. Cave.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yea, [Mr. Cave,]
Mr. Joseph Pease, 110.
Tellers for the

Noes, [Master of Elibank :]
Mr. Mysey-Thompson, 270.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords]:

Yea, 39.
Noes, 1.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords]:

Yea, 50.
Noes, 1.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Contempts of Court Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

County Courts Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Commons Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Port of London Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Port of London (recommitted) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Baras presented,—Return to an Order, Old Age Pensions Act, dated the 20th day of this instant October, for a Return relative to the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 127.]

Wednesday, 21st October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of November next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of November next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Education Board Provisions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Huston presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 21) Warrant, 1908, dated 1st July 1908.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post (Cash on Delivery) Amendment (No. 2) Warrant, 1908, dated 31st July 1908.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post (Cash on Delivery) Amendment (No. 3) Warrant, 1908, dated 11th September 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4150 to 4152.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented,—Return to an Order, Poor Law (Scotland) Bill, dated the 16th day of July in the last Session.
of Parliament, for Returns showing, for each Poor Law Union in Ireland—

(1) The number of men, women, and children, respectively (excluding tramp night lodgers), who were in receipt of Poor Law relief at any time during the year ending the 31st day of March 1908;

(2) The number of such men, women, and children, respectively, who were (a) persons relieved singly, (b) heads of families, (c) dependents of paupers;

(3) The number of such men, women, and children, respectively, who received (a) indoor relief only, (b) outdoor relief only, (c) both indoor and outdoor relief;

(4) The total number of persons included in (1), classified according to the aggregate length of time during which they received relief;

(5) The number of persons in each of the classes indicated in (4), reclassified according to the number of times on which relief was granted.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual).

Colonel Secly presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 580 (Fiji, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Licensing BILL.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 4 (Discretion of licensing justices as to extinction of licences).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 30, to leave out the words “this Act,” in order to insert the words “the Licensing Act, 1904.”—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 32, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Cave.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “this,” in p. 4, l. 3, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, after the word “shall,” to insert the words “save in rural parishes.”—(Mr. Long.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out l. 35.—(Mr. Balfour.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words “and the refusal shall not take effect until compensation has been paid, the licence, when necessary, being provisionally renewed or transferred for this purpose.”—(Mr. Cave.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Cave, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 117.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of Elithbank : ] 283.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 7, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Harry Marks.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “an,” in l. 8, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 317.
Tellers for the [Mr. Harry Marks, Noes, (Mr. George Faber : ] 128.

And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put the Questions forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of this clock this day.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 318.
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Actland-Hood, Noes, (Mr. Henry Forster : ] 118.

Clause No. 5 (Extension of section 4 of Licensing Act, 1904, to new off-licences, &c.).

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “shall,” in p. 4, l. 21, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 314.

Clause No. 6 (Scheme with respect to statutory reduction in every district).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 20, to leave out subsection (1).—(Sir Edward Sassoon.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “shall,” in p. 4, l. 21, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 228.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words “or such later day as may be allowed in any case by the Licensing Commission.”—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out from the word “as” to the end, in order to insert the words “they may think proper.”—(Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elithbank : ] 271.
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith, Noes, (Sir Alfred : ] 93.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 31, at the end, to insert the words “(c) be published in every district, and a copy sent to each of the
licensesees and owners affected.” —(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And it being half an hour after Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Sir Henry Kimber, |
Yea, | Mr. Grettia : | 122. |
Noes, | Master of Elibank : | 300. |

Tellers for the | Sir Alexander Acland- |
Yea, | Master of Elibank : | 302. |
Noes, | Mr. Henry Forster : | 120. |

Clause No. 7 (Duty of licensing justices to give effect to scheme).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
Yea, | Master of Elibank : | 302. |
Noes, | Mr. Henry Forster : | 120. |


Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
Yea, | Master of Elibank : | 297. |
Noes, | Mr. Henry Forster : | 119. |

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
[No. 128.]

Thursday, 22nd October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Decentralisation in India, with Appendices. Vol. I. and Minutes of Evidence; Vol. II. to X.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of January 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence and Returns as to Retrenchments in the Transvaal Colony of Orange and South African railways lines, during the period 1st July 1903 to 30th June 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Further Return to the Order, dated the 28th day of March 1908, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks.).

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Sir William Brompton Gorden reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill):—Mr. Long and Mr. Myer; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) Captain Citee and Dr. Pollard.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 9 (Local option in Wales as to reduction beyond statutory reduction).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 26, to leave out the words "passing of this Bill," in order to insert the words "first day of January nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Earl Winterston.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank:] 239.

Tellers for the Noes, [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Viscount Valenta:] 93.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 26, to leave out the words "passing of this Act," in order to insert the words "first day of January nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Earl Winterston.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank:] 197.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. George Faber, Mr. Lane-Fox:] 66.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, after the first word "in," to insert the words "any rural parish or urban area within."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank:] 197.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis, Mr. Rawlinson:] 66.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, to leave out the words "in Wales (excluding the county of Monmouth)."—(Mr. Luttrell.)

Question proposed, That the words "in Wales" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, to leave out the words "(including the county of Monmouth)."—(Mr. Lane-Fox.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank:] 272.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. George Faber, Mr. Lane-Fox:] 103.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Questions put the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the fortnightly Order of the House of the 17th July, to put (preserved to the Speaker, in exercise of the authority derived from the Resolution of the House of Commons for moving the Government of which notice had been given.

Other Amendments made.

The Chairman then proceeded to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank:] 272.


Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Asquith),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Prevention of Crime Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ball Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ball Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Contempts of Court Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

County Courts Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Commons Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

London Paving Expenses Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then sixteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 129.]

Friday, 23rd October 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, Public and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented,—Return to an Order, Cattle Drives dated the 19th day of this instant October, for (Ireland) a Return relative to Cattle Drives (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the Transvaal directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Government Treasury Minute, dated 21st October 1908, guaranteeing the further issue of £1,000,000 Transvaal Treasury Bills.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Statement relative to certain Loans, with reference to Unemployment, sanctioned by the Local Government Board, or with respect to which application for sanction has been made to them.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 10 (Amount to be paid as compensation).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 14, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That ls. 14 and 15 stand part of the Clause:

And it being Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-
tion upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Pro-
cedure Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Building Operations and
Engineering Works Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Ball Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Ball Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter
Sessions Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Contempts of Court Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

County Courts Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Commons Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in
Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as
amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con-
sideration upon Monday next.

London Paving Expenses Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the
House without Question put, pursuant to
the Order of the House of the 31st-day of
July last, it being then one minute after
Five of the clock, till Monday next.

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Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill):—Mr. Devlin; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Money.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill):—Mr. Baldwin.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to Unemployment, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank: 228.]
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, (Mr. Henry Forster: 68.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the state of affairs which was clearly foreseen,—(Mr. Acland);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst recognising the importance of the promise of the Prime Minister to introduce legislation next Session for dealing with Unemployment on a permanent basis, and whilst welcoming the promise to administer with more elasticity the existing Act, and to provide more money to make that possible, this House is of opinion that the proposals made are quite inadequate to meet the pressing needs of the unemployed this winter, and that the responsibility for the absence of proper machinery even for carrying out existing powers, and the general unpreparedness of the country to meet the present unemployed crisis, is due to the neglect of the Government to make provision for a state of affairs which was clearly foreseen)—(Mr. Keir Hardie),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after 2 o'clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 27th October 1908.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Wyndham);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Yeas, (Viscount Valentia: 70.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of Elibank: 293.]

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the Debate.

Sir Joseph Leese rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Viscount Valentia: 227.]
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Noes, (Viscount Valentia: 110.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank: 236.]
Tellers for the [Mr. George Roberts, Noes, (Sir Charles Dunca: 68.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sir Joseph Leese claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

And the Main Question being accordingly put:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank: 196.]
Tellers for the [Mr. O'Grady, Noes, (Mr. Claude Hay: 35.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the statement of the Prime Minister with regard to the national importance of the problem of Unemployment, and approves of the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to meet the present emergency.

The Order of the day being read, for taking prevention of into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill, Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];
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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Contempt of Court Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempt of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

County Courts Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Commons Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.] Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Port of London Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Port of London (recommitted) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the House be at leisure.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the summary Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then ten minutes before Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 131.]

Tuesday, 27th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYER.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Cattle Drives (Ireland), which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant October, be printed. No. 310.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Uganda Command,—Copy of Return showing, I. the Railway Capital Expenditure on the Uganda Railway; II. the Charge involved upon the Exchequer by the Capital Expenditure; III. the Gross and Net Earnings of the Line for each year since it was opened.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Licensing to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out
of moneys provided by Parliament, of the remuneration and expenses of the Licensing Commission, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906—(Mr. Whitley); Secretary Sir Edward Grey, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Licensing Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

Clause No. 10 (Amount to be paid as compensation).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 14, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question again proposed, That is, 14 and 15 stand part of the Clause:

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 313.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day:

Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank: 314.

Clause No. 11 (Division of compensation money).

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Joseph Pease),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prevention of Crime Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on the Order of the House of the 17th July, suc-

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then five minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 132.]

Wednesday, 28th October 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAyERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented, Public Petitions. and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of this instant,
October, for a Return relative to Post Office (Life Insurance).

Mr. Sydney Buxton also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post (Cash on Delivery) Amendment (No. 4) Warrant, 1908, dated 30th September 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of further Correspondence with Canada, Australia, and New Zealand relating to Merchant Shipping Legislation.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4156.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of List of Secondary Schools in England recognised as efficient, with a List of recognised Pupil-Teacher Centres, 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 12 (Payment of compensation by Licensing Commission).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 29, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Ashley.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “reduction,” in l. 31, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Master of Elcho:] 242.
Tellers for the [Mr. Ashley, Noes, Master of George Fosb:] 95.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 40, after the word “as,” to insert the words “and not exceeding.”—(Mr. Cave.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Rawlinson, Yes, Master of Lane-Fox:] 69.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Elcho:] 197.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 6, after the word “considered,” to insert the word “all.”—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question put, That the word “all” be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, Yes, Master of George Fosb:] 80.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Elcho:] 296.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 8, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question put, Whether the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 10, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

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Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 14, to leave out the word “shall,” in order to insert the word “may.”—(Mr. Cave.)

Question put, That the word “shall” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Master of Elcho:] 272.
Tellers for the [Mr. Cave, Noes, Master Samuel Roberts:] 104.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Master of Elcho:] 300.
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Noes, Viscount Valentia:] 114.

Clause No. 13 (Compensation levy and compensation fund).

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on an Amendment moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of Clause 13.

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Master of Elcho:] 303.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Licensing [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the remuneration and expenses of the Licensing Commission, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put forthwith, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yes, Master of Elcho:] 302.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the North British Railway Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the North British Railway: And the same was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of November next; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copy of Report, No. 581 (Mauritius Reports Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Members (in respect of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] and of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill [Lords]):—Mr. Rupert Guinness, Colonel Words, Mr. Stanier, Mr. William Nicholson, Mr. Crowley, and White Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Owen Phillips, Mr. Alfred Mason, Mr. Edmund Lamb, Mr. John Thompson, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Halpin, and Mr. Nolan.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee of Selection (Standing Committee,) standing on Group M of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the London and District Electricity Supply Bill had stated that the evidence of Mr. John Hall Rider, Electrical Engineer to the London county Council, of the County Hall, Spring Gardens, was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that Mr. Rider's attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Mr. John Hall Rider do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Mr. John Hall Rider do attend the Committee on Group M of Private Bills to-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.

Sir George M'Crae, supported by Mr. John Robertson, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Dundas White, presented a Bill to amend the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 365th day of November next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lewis Harcourt reported from the Committee on Licensing [Expenses] a Resolution [Expenses.] which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the remuneration and expenses of the Licensing Commission, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 20, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 2, at the end, to add the words—

"(10) Every decision of the Licensing Commission shall be subject to an appeal by any person affected to the King's Bench Division, on the ground of a biased or unreasonable exercise of their powers under this Act."—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ]

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Questions put the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put (pursuant to the Questions necessary to dispose of House) the Business to be concluded this day.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ]
Yea, [Master of Elithan : ] 293.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, ]

Clause No. 15 (Appeals and confirmation of new licences, and borough licensing committees in boroughs).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, ]

Clause No. 16 (Constitution of licensing appeal authority for large boroughs).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, ]

Clause No. 17 agreed to.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eleven minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Friday, 30th October 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Irish Land Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of February 1908.

Copy of Index to Estates comprised in Irish Land Returns of Advances under the Irish Land Act, Commission, 1903, during the year ended 31st December 1907.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order by the Local Government Board for Ireland with respect to the Urban County District of Keady.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the Census of directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Production of Advance Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Act, 1906 Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Act 1904. Copy of Orders made by the Councils of the Boroughs of Cheltenham and Dukinfield under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Memorial to Parliament,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4157 and 4158.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing in detail the amounts contributed by the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, during the year 1807, to Institutions of various character, not directly controlled by the Companies, and not for the exclusive benefit of the Companies' servants.—(Sir Hudson Keenley.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added to Standing Committee A the following Members:—
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White
Phosphorus
Matches
Prohibition
Bill and
Criminal
Appeal
(Amendment)
Bill [Lords.;
Standing
Committee B.
Housing,
Town
Planning, &c. Bill.

Two Members (in respect of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill and of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords.])

—Mr. Clynes and Mr. Charles Duncan.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill)—Mr. Leif Jones; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Munro Ferguson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Licensing Bill.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

Clause No. 18 (Sale of liquor on Sundays, restriction of hours; amendment as to bona fide traveller; application to Monmouth of Welsh Sunday Closing Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 27, to leave out subsection (1)—(Mr. George Gibbs.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in l. 28, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank : ] 250.


Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank : ] 237.

Tellers for the [Mr. Goulding, Noes, (Mr. George Faber : ] 55.

Clause No. 19 (Power of licensing justices to provide for the exclusion of children from bars of licensed premises).

And it being after Five of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 8, to leave out from the beginning to the first word "the," in l. 9.—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank : ] 228.

Tellers for the [Mr. Samuel Roberts, Noes, (Captain Faber : ] 61.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, "as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Master of Elibank : ] 229.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Gibbs, Noes, (Mr. Nield : ] 56.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Consideration into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twenty-six minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

PRAYERS.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to Cran Measures Act, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Cran Measures Act, 1908, for the making, examination, verification, and marking of Quarter-Quarter-Cran Measures for use in buying, selling, delivering, or receiving fresh Herrings in any place in which the Act is in force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to Post Office Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 24) Warrant, 1908, dated 5th October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Churchill presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of October last, for a Return relative to Railway Companies (Charitable and other Contributions, 1897.).

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Copy of Draft Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, altering the Scale and Rules set out in the Second Schedule to the Act, for the purpose of the levy of the Light Duties in pursuance of the Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of Statute No. 125 of the Statutes of the University of London.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 19th October 1908, entitled (1) the Nigeria Coinage Order, 1908; (2) the Zanzibar (Amendment) Order in Council, 1908.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 19th October 1908, prescribing an alternative form of Indenture of Apprenticeship to the Sea Fishing Service, to be used at Grimsby.

Copies of Seven Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895, dated 19th October 1908, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to—

(1) The payment of an allowance to the Flag Officer on the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Home Fleet, in lieu of servants;

(2) An amendment of the regulations as to the study of Foreign Languages, so far as relates to Japanese;

(3) An alteration of the system of remunerating Officers employed in the correction of Charts;

(4) The grant of charge pay to Engineer Officers in charge of Machinery, in certain cases;

(5) An increased rate of pay to Officers and Men of the Royal Marines for acting as shorthand writers at Naval Courts-Martial, &c.;

(6) A modification, in certain respects, of the pay of Men of the Royal Marines;

(7) The payment of Stewardesses employed in His Majesty's Yachts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Sassoon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4159 and 4160.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of serious Crimes included in the Returns laid by the Constabulary Authorities in Ireland before His Majesty's Judges at the Winter Assizes, 1908, in the following form:

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And similar Returns in respect of the Spring, Summer, and Winter Assizes, 1907, and the Spring and Summer Assizes, 1908. —(Mr. Lonsdale.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A (in respect of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill and of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords]): — Mr. Oddy.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(Clause No. 20 (Power to attach conditions to the renewal of a licence). Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 5, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Bottomley.) Question put, That the words "licensing justices" stand part of the Clause. The Committee divided.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 6, after the word "on-licence," to insert the words "in respect of premises other than premises constructed, fitted, and intended to be used in good faith for any purpose to which the holding of a licence is merely auxiliary."—(Sir Edward Sassoon.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 8, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That the words "The employment of" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the—Dr. Rutherford, Yeas, [Mr. Hodge: ] 61.


Remaining words of paragraph (a) omitted.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Question put, That the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Business on the Table.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the—Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Elibank: ] 293.

Tellers for the—Viscount Valentia: 99.
Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to whom the Bill is referred, that they have power to insert a provision binding the promoting Companies not to offer opposition to any future legislative proposal to constitute the London County Council the purchasing authority.—(Mr. Churchill.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill; Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Committee was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to whom the Bill is referred, to insert a provision binding the promoting Companies not to offer opposition to any future legislative proposal to constitute the London County Council the purchasing authority.—(Mr. Churchill.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to whom the Bill is referred, that they have power to insert a provision binding the promoting Companies not to offer opposition to any future legislative proposals that may be brought forward on behalf of the Councils of the Metropolitan Boroughs for such mutual assistance or association as this Bill confers on the promoting Companies.—(Mr. Lough.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill; Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.]
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, being then eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of London Act, 1896, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant November, be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Merchant Command,—Return of all British and Foreign Ships ordered by the Board of Trade or its Officers, during the period from 1st July 1907 to 30th June 1908, to be provisionally detained as unsafe, &c., under the Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copy of Report of the London Traffic Branch of the Board of Trade.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Contract, dated the 12th day of October 1908, between His Majesty's Postmaster General and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the conveyance of Mails between Liverpool and Hong Kong; together with a Copy of the Treasury Minute thereon, dated the 23rd day of October 1908. (Mr. Hobhouse.)

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from Selection Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):—Mr. Solicitor General; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): the Lord Advocate.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

Clause No. 21 (No excise licence to be granted without justices' licence).
Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 13, after the word "shall," to insert the words "save as hereinafter provided."—(Mr. James Hope.)
Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope,]
Yea, 
Viscount Hilsley: }
93.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,
Noes, 
Master of Elibank:]
238.

An Amendment made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 15, to leave out the words "at the commencement of this Act," in order to insert the words "on the fifth day of April nineteen hundred and eight."—(Mr. Walter Res.)
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 16, after the word "Act," to insert the words "whether by himself or his predecessors in title."—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)
3rd November.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Master of Elibank: | 255.
Tellers for the Noes, | Viscount Valentia: | 110.
Clause No. 22 (Renovals to be abolished).

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Master of Elibank: | 297.
Tellers for the Noes, | Viscount Valentia: | 146.
Clause No. 23 (Provision as to licences for sale of cider alone).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 25, to leave out the word “alone,” in order to insert the words “or, if any liquor containing less than five per cent. of proof spirit.”—(Mr. Younger.)

Question proposed, That the words “alone” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 24 (Amendment of section 4 of Licensing Act, 1904).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 28, to leave out the words “except in the case of a licence granted for a term.”—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Master of Elibank: | 108.
Tellers for the Noes, | Viscount Valentia: | 318.
Clause No. 25 to No. 27 agreed to.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Master of Elibank: | 319.
Tellers for the Noes, | Viscount Valentia: | 127.
Clause No. 28 (Power of licensing justices to incur expenses for special purposes).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Master of Elibank: | 318.
Tellers for the Noes, | Viscount Valentia: | 128.
Clause No. 29 to No. 33 agreed to.

Clause No. 34 (Control of sale of intoxicating liquor on board passenger vessels).
Report.) Petitions (Lords.) Public (Departmental Checking of Mail Service. Hong Kong Petitions. Prevention Committee A. Piece-work Dock Labour Bill 367. Bill 366. No. 314. No. 315. No. 315. No. 316. Bill 366. Bill 366. Orderd, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Mr. Hobhouse presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant November, for a Return relative to Liverpool and Hong Kong Mail Service. Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on the Checking of Piece-work wages in Dock Labour. Report, &c.; Minutes of Evidence. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed. Mr. Sydney Buxton reported from the Select Committee on the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords.] That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 29th, 30th, and 30th days of October last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 29th, and 31st days of July last, the 1st day of August last, and the 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 29th, and 30th days of October last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by the one of their Clerks, as followeth: The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.], to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. The Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into con- Bill [Lords.] sideration to-morrow. The House, according to Order, resolved itself Licensing Bill, into a Committee on the Licensing Bill. (In the Committee.) Clause No. 36 (Annual renewal of registration of clubs required). Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 3, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Evelyn Cecil.) Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words “but this provision shall not apply to any club against which no charge has been substantiated on any of the grounds mentioned in section twenty-eight of the Licensing Act, 1902, and which is managed by a committee periodically elected, to whom the secretary of the club is responsible, and which has been established for five years. Provided always that the justices shall, in their discretion, have power to require any such club to show cause why it should not come under the following provisions of this Act.”—(Mr. Evelyn Cecil.) Question, That those words be there inserted, but, and negatived. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words “except such clubs and messes as may be carried on under King’s Regulations for the naval and military forces.”—(Mr. Gretton.) Question put, That those words be there inserted. The Committee divided. Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland- Yeas, Hood, (Viscount Valentia) 101. Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Nos, Master of Elibank] 267. Mr. Arnold Herbert.) Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 7, to leave out the words “licensing justices,” in order to insert the words “local stipendiary magistrate or local court of summary jurisdiction.”—(Mr. Hart-Davies.) Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived. Proposed words there inserted. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 7, after the word “justices,” to insert the words “such application is accompanied by an affidavit of the secretary proving that not less than one-half of the income of the club is derived from sources other than profit upon the sale of intoxicating liquors.”—(Mr. Arnold Herbert.) Question put, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 8, after the word “application,” to insert the words “upon being furnished with the names and
Orderd, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Scotland) Bill; Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Order Procedure Bill [Lords]; Provisional Order Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bail Bill; Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Act Committee on the Port of London (recommitted) London Bill; Committee on the Port of London (recommitted) London Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then six minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
5th November, 1908. 

[No. 138.]

Thursday, 5th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4161 and 4163.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Rankeillor presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, the 25th June 1908, amending Statute XVI., Clause 9, of the Statutes of the House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts on Manuscripts in various Collections. Volume VI. The Manuscripts of Miss M. Eyre-Matcham, Captain H. V. Knox, Mrs. Wyckham-Martin, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, No. 7586, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated the 29th October 1908, relating to Animals being carried on the Steamship "Minnesota."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—The Lord Advocate; and had reinstated Mr. Solicitor General.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—The Lord Advocate; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Jowett and Mr. Leif Jones.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 37 (Objections to registration or renewal of registration).

Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 22, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Bottomley.)

Question proposed, That the word "any" stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. Lupton rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, | Master of Elibank : 262.
   Teller for the | Mr. Bottomley, Noes, | Earl Winterton : 78.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 22, to leave out the word "person," in order to insert the words "duly authorised police officer."—(Sir Henry Kimber.)

Question put, That the word "person" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, | Master of Elibank : 241.
   Teller for the | Mr. Bottomley, Noes, | Mr. George Gibbs : 101.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 22, after the word "person," to insert the words "resident in the district."—(Mr. Bottomley.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the | Mr. Bottomley, Yeas, | Mr. George Faber : 97.
   Teller for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, | Master of Elibank : 230.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 22, after the word "may," to insert the words "at any time on his own personal knowledge forward to the chief constable of a county or borough such information as he considers a violation of the conditions of registration of any club, and such chief constable shall investigate the complaint, and make a record of such investigation, and then, if satisfied that the same affords good ground for objection, shall."—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the | Mr. George Roberts, Yeas, | Mr. Charles Dunca : 95.
   Teller for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, | Master of Elibank : 166.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 23, to leave out the words "registration or the."—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

Question put, That the word "registration" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

 Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, | Master of Elibank : 212.
   Teller for the | Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, Noes, | Mr. Ashby : 44.
An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 26, to leave out the words "as a drinking club," in order to insert the words "for the supply of excisable liquor."—(Mr. Asquith.)

Question proposed, That the words be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words "or on the ground that the club is bound by any covenant, agreement, or undertaking, or is otherwise under an obligation to obtain a supply of any intoxicating liquor from any particular person, not being a club which was so bound or under such an obligation before the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to proposed Amendment, in l. 2, to leave out the word "or."—(Mr. Maclean.)

Question, That the word "or" stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Elibank: ] 299.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.


Clause No. 38 disagreed to.

Clause No. 39 (Offences in respect of clubs, and power to direct registration to be cancelled).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 39, after the word "club," to insert the words "every member of the committee of the club."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Cave, Noes, [Mr. Saltir: ] 91.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 299.

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Friday, 6th November 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplementary Report of the Departmental Committee on Compensation for Industrial Diseases, Report, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendix.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return relating to the Rules of Import Duties levied upon the principal and other Articles imported into the British Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates.

Copy of Statistical Tables relating to British Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates. Part XXXI., for the year 1906.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return relating to the Rules of Import Duties levied upon the principal and other Articles imported into the British Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, on the 4th July 1908, altering and amending Statute III., Clause 7, of the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report, No. 582 (Strait Settlements, Annual Report for 1907).

Colonel Seely also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 30th day of May last, for a Return relative to Rifle Associations (Colonies) (Grants).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brompton Gardon reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Criminal Appeal Bill [Lords] and of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill);—Mr. William Harvey; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bills) ; Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. Churchill.

Sir William Brompton Gardon further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Coal Mines (Eight Coal Mines Hours) (No. 2) Bill);—Mr. Solicitor General; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group M of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 41 (Power to enter clubs).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 23, after the word "shall," to insert the words "if he has obtained a written authority for the purpose from a justice of the peace having jurisdiction in the place." — (Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the said Amendment, in l. 2, to leave out the words "a justice," in order to insert the words "two justices."—(Sir Frederich Banbury.)

Question put, That the words "a justice" stand part of the said Amendment.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, 
Yeas, (Mr. Herbert Lewis: 
Sir Frederick Banbury, ) 
Tellers for the (Mr. Goulty: ) 
61.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 24, after the word "any," to insert the word "specified."—(Viscount Alamey.)

Question proposed, That the word "specified" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 24, to leave out the word "time," in order to insert the word "hour."—(Mr. George Faber.)

Question proposed, That the word "time" stand part of the Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 27, to leave out the word "not."—(Mr. Evelyn Cecil.)

Question put, That the word "not" stand part of the Clause.
The Committee divided.  
Another Amendment made.  
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 27, after the words last added, to add the words “Provided that if the chief constable has reason to believe that the entry and inspection of a club and premises by such person or persons when not in uniform might occasion a breach of the peace, he may then direct him or them to wear uniform.”—(Mr. Walter Long.)  
Question put, That those words be there added.  
The Committee divided.  
Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ] Yes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 205.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Bottomley, ] Noes, [Mr. George Faber : ] 86.  
Clause No. 42 (Prohibition of sale of liquor to member of club for consumption off premises).  
Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 28, after the word “club,” to insert the words “after the hours at which licensed houses are closed in the licensing district in which the club is situated, nor shall intoxicating liquor be supplied in a club.”—(Mr. Black.)  
Question put, That those words be there inserted.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Black, ] Yes, [Mr. Luttrell : ] 61.  
An Amendment made.  
Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ] Yes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 228.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Evelyn Cecil, ] Noes, [Mr. Luttrell : ] 79.  
And it being Five of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.  
Clause No. 43 (Power of Local Government Board to make rules for taking of polls, &c.).  
Amendments made.  
Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Clause No. 44 (Temporary provisions as to extinction of licences in 1909, and transfer of existing compensation funds).  
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Clause No. 45 (Temporary provision as to valuation of licensed premises).  
Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 34, to leave out from the word “they” to the word “and,” in l. 36, in order to insert the words “were buildings newly erected.”—(Mr. Solicitor General.)  
Question put, That the Amendment be made.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, ] Noes, [Mr. Pike Pease : ] 73.  
Other Amendments made.  
Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Clause No. 46 (Repeal).  
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ] Yes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 204.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Pike Pease, ] Noes, [Mr. James Hope : ] 59.  
Clause No. 47 agreed to.  
New Clause (Interpretation)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first time.  
Question put, That the Clause be added to the Bill.  
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Pike Pease, ] Noes, [Mr. George Faber : ] 58.  
Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.  

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Five of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then nine minutes before Six of the clock, till Monday next.
Monday, 9th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order
The Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Bill (Lords) was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of this instant November, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Rifle Associations (Colonies) (Grants), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant November, be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-sixth Report of the Royal University of Ireland, for the year 1897.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rule in substitution of Rule 14 of the Rules made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland, sealed on the 17th June 1908.

Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 3rd November 1908, for holding Winter Assizes in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Post Office Savings Bank Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1908, dated 9th November 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hussey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Re-arrangement, Victoria and Albert Museum (Art Division).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 13, to leave out from the word "to" to the end of l. 14, in order to insert the word "s" and "yearly estimate of population to be made by the local authority."—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question put, That the words "the last" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Eltham:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Gretton, Noes, [Mr. George Faber:]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 18, to leave out from the word "Who" to the end of l. 19, in order to insert the words "it appears inexpedient to reduce the number of on-licences in any parish or area below two."—(Mr. Younger.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—(Mr. Clancy.)

Noes, (Mr. Clancy:)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Licensing Bill, into a Committee on the Licensing Bill.

(Committee.)

Schedule 1.

Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 22, after the word "area," to insert the words "or to the fact that the premises, or any of them, are situate near to the boundary of an adjoining parish or area in which the number of on-licences is below the scale number."—(Mr. Cane.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—(Mr. Clancy.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 22, after the word "area," to insert the words "or, owing to the defects of roads or facilities of transit, special treatment is required."—(Mr. Clancy.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 31, at the end, to add the words—

"(4) Where in an urban area, owing to the nature of the district and the proportion of the resident population making use of licensed houses, a modification of the strict application of the scale appears requisite to prevent the reduction leading to overcrowding in the remaining houses."—(Mr. Younger.)

Question put, That those words be there added.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Younger, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 81.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Eltham: 222.

Question put, That this Schedule, as amended, be the First Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 217.


Schedule 2.

Amendment proposed, in p. 25, l. 25, to leave out the word "hotels."—(Mr. Gretton.)

Question proposed, That the word "hotels" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 25, l. 32, at the end, to add the words "No levy shall be charged to a hotel or restaurant where the holder of the licence agrees to and is thereby prevented from selling any intoxicating liquor to any person who—

(1) is not residing in the hotel, or
(2) is not having a meal in the hotel or restaurant."—(Mr. Agar-Robartes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That this be the Second Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 233.

Tellers for the Mr. Cave, Noes, Sir Frederick Banbury: 80.

Schedule 3.

Amendment proposed, in p. 26, l. 11, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Cave.)

Question proposed, That is. 11, 12, and 13 stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That this be the Third Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 262.

Tellers for the Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, Mr. Ashley: 88.

Schedule 4 agreed to.

Schedule 5.

Amendment proposed, in p. 29, to leave out l. 50.—(Mr. M'Arthur.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule.

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 285.

Tellers for the Mr. M'Arthur, Noes, Master of Cave: 101.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Questions put forthwith to be put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th July, successively to put forthwith the Question on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day.

Amendments made.

Question put, That this Schedule, as amended, be the Fifth Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 285.


Schedule 6.

Question put, That this be the Sixth Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 286.


Schedule 7.

Amendment proposed, in p. 34, l. 34, after the word "three," to insert the words "section four, from which is represented down to 'taken into consideration.'"—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 288.

Tellers for the Mr. Samuel Roberts, Noes, Mr. Salter: 98.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 34, l. 37, after "(2)," to insert the words "from Provided that to the end of the subsection."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 278.

Tellers for the Mr. George Faber, Noes, Earl of Winterston: 97.

Question put, That this Schedule, as amended, be the Seventh Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eltham: 270.


Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Court Bill,  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) Bill;  
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Paving Expenses Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twenty-four minutes before 12twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
Tuesday, 10th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Education (Scotland) Bill, if under discussion on Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elidbank: ] 211.
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 46.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of Clause 15—(Mr. Boland)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Sinclair rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elidbank: ] 211.
Tellers for the [Mr. Boland, Noes, Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh: ] 106.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills in respect of Clause 15;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, Yeas, Master of Elidbank: ] 103.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Elidbank: ] 207.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "elementary" be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 10, by inserting, after the word "parent," the words "or guardian."—(Mr. James Hope.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 11, by inserting, after the word "efficient," the word "elementary."—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

And the Question being put, That the word "elementary" be there inserted in the Bill;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 37, by leaving out Clause 7.—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "of," in p. 4, l. 39, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mitchell-Thomson, Yeas, Sir Frederick Banbury: ] 32.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 1, by inserting, after the word "efficient," the word "elementary."—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "of," in p. 4, l. 38, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elidbank: ] 158.
Tellers for the [Mr. Bridgeman, Noes, Sir Frederick Banbury: ] 32.
So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 6, by leaving out the words "or some person on his behalf."—(Mr. Macpherson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 29, by leaving out Clause 8.—(Mr. James Hope.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 38, p. 5, stand part of the Bill:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Eliebank: 148.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, Noes, Mr. Ashley: 25.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 39, by leaving out the words "after the age of fourteen years, and."—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 12, by leaving out the words from the word "shillings" to the end of subsection (3) of Clause 8, and inserting the words "and such procedure may be repeated against the same person, or in respect of the same offence, at intervals of not less than three months"—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill:

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "physical," the words "and in the case of male scholars military."—(Earl of Ronaldshay.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Earl of Ronaldshay, Yeas, Sir Henry Craik: 27.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Master of Eliebank: 194.

So it was passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 34, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and for the teaching of the National Anthem and the emblematic meaning of the national flag."—(Captain Craik.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 3, by leaving out subsection (3) of Clause 9.—(Sir Henry Craik.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "seventeen," in p. 7, l. 5, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned—(Mr. Sinclair):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Licensing Bill into consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eighteen minutes before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
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[No. 142.]

Wednesday, 11th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Crimes (Ireland.)

No. 320.

Mr. Birrell presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant November, for Returns relative to Crimes (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4164 and 4165.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Trade.)

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Review of the Trade of India for 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dock Labour in relation to Poor Law Relief.

Mr. Burns presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the President of the Local Government Board on Dock Labour in relation to Poor Law Relief, by the Honourable Gerald Walsh, one of the Inspectors of the Board.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Western Pacific.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the Administration of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Protectorate.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Fiscal Policy of International Trade.

No. 321.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Port of London Bill, if under discussion at Eleven o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, 235. Master of Elithank :]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Nos, 70. Viscount Valentia :]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on each of the five allotted days given to the Report stage of the Licensing Bill shall be those shown in the second column of the following table, and those (Allocation of Proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table.

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—(Mr. Asquith.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Port of London Bill, (recommitted) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of Port of London Authority).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out from the first word "be" to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words "nineteen elected—"

By payers of dues on ships trading to the docks, 4.

By payers of dues on ships trading to the river, 3.

By traders, 5.

By waterside manufacturers, 2.

By wharfingers, 3.

By owners of river craft, 2."—(Mr. Bonar Law.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the word "eleven."—(Colonel Warde.)

Question put, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, 176. Master of Elithank :] 176.

Tellers for the [Colonel Wardes, Nos, 46. Mr. Whitehead :]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out "2," in order to insert "3."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That "2" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, to leave out subsection (9), in order to insert the words—

"(9) The Port Authority shall set apart such sum, not exceeding in any year two thousand one hundred pounds, as the Port Authority, with
the approval of the Board of Trade, thinks fit, and shall divide the same among the members of the Port Authority as they from time to time think fit."—(Mr. Morton.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "vice-chairman," in l. 27, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, after the word "chairman," to insert the word "and."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That the word "and" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, to leave out subsection (11).—(Mr. Morton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "Board," in l. 35, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (General duties of Port Authority as to improvement of accommodation and facilities) Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Morton):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

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Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words—

"(c) Acquire and carry on the undertaking of the Trinity House transferred to the Port Authority by this Act."

—(Mr. M'Arthur.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. M'Arthur, 6.]

Mr. Fell: 125.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, 6.]

Mr. Herbert Lewis.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 postponed until after the consideration of Clause No. 11.

Clauses No. 4 and No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Transfer of powers, &c. of Thames conservators in respect of lower river). Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 32, after the word "and," to insert the words "all property and liabilities of the conservators held, acquired, or incurred in respect of the Thames below the landward limit of the Port of London."—(Mr. Barnard.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 42, at the end, to insert the words—

"(g) So much of section one hundred and sixty of the Thames Conservancy Act, 1894, as authorises a toll to be demanded or received in respect of any vessel navigating westward of London Bridge to or from any point eastward of Teddington Lock shall be repealed; and"

—(Mr. Care.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Reconstitution of conservators). Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 40, after the word "purpose," to insert the words "or any powers conferred upon them for the purpose of preserving the rights and interests of the public with respect to the Thames and its towpaths."—(Mr. Morrell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 8 to No. 11 agreed to.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Churchill):—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to Move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Licensing Bill, into consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Five Members be appointed to inquire and report as to the powers conferred on Local Authorities by Local Acts, Provisional Orders, Stock Regulations, or otherwise, of utilising for purposes
for which such authorities have borrowing powers sinking funds (including loans funds and redemption funds) set aside by them for the repayment or redemption of loans raised by the issue of stock, or by any other method; as to the expediency or otherwise of such powers being conferred; and as to any conditions which it is desirable to attach to the granting or use of such powers.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Ashton, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Harwood-Dunn, Mr. Masterman, and Mr. Charles Nicholson.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then one minute after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 143.]

Thursday, 12th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Public Petitions, Vide Eighth Report.

Evictions (Ireland.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return of the number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings in Ireland which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the number of Tenancies determined, in the quarter ended 30th September 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post.)

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 26) Warrant, 1908, dated 31st October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group M.)

Mr. Luke White reported from the Committee on Group M of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday the 17th day of this instant November, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B, (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill):——Mr. Solicitor General; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Attorney General.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Solicitor General reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords, to whom the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords], VOL. 165.

the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords], and Post Office the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords], referred; That the Committee were of opinion and Statute that the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords] should be allowed to proceed.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Member for the Barnard Castle Division of the County of Durham, rose in his place and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., “the important difference Unemploy- between the statement of the Prime Minister, respecting the future administration of the Unemployed Workmen Act and the Order issued this day by the Local Government Board, and the pleasure of the House being signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Port of London Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith):—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]

Yeaes, [Master of Elibank : ] 228.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-]


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Port of London Bill. (recommitted Bill.)

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Transfer to Port Authority of undertakings of dock companies).

The Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was adjourned to under (Mr. Arthur Henderson):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Postponed proceeding on Question, That Clause No. 3 stand part of the Bill, resumed.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]


Tellers for the [Mr. Steadman,]


Clause No. 12 (Rates on goods).

Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 3, to leave out the words “or coastwise.”—(Mr. Remick.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 15, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Holt.)
Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "rates," in l. 16, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that if at any time it is necessary to raise by means of such rates a larger sum than two hundred thousand pounds in any year, the Port Authority shall not be entitled to raise such larger sum except in such manner and from such sources as Parliament shall determine; and it shall be the duty of the Port Authority to apply to Parliament for the necessary powers accordingly.".—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 23, to leave out subsection (4).—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "rates," in l. 42, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 5, at the end, to add the words—

"(5) The Port Authority, on the one hand, and any owner or master of or agent for any vessel in the coastwise or short-sea trade to or from the Port of London, or any person or persons interested in goods, merchandise, or cargo carried by any such vessel, on the other hand, may from time to time enter into and carry into effect, vary, and rescind agreements or arrangements with respect to the mode of calculation or payment, or the time of payment, of rates payable to the Port Authority in respect of all or any goods, merchandise, articles, or things forming the cargo, or part of the cargo, of any such vessel. Provided always, that in case the Port Authority shall at any time make any such agreement the owner or master of or agent for any vessel engaged in like manner, or any person interested in goods, merchandise, or cargo carried by any such vessel, shall be entitled, the circumstances being the same, to require the Port Authority to enter into a like agreement or arrangement with him or them upon the same terms, to the intent that no such agreement shall be made by the Port Authority under this provision partially, or in favour of any particular person, vessel, or cargo."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 13 to No. 15 agreed to.

Clause No. 16 (Security for transferred liabilities).—Amendment proposed, in p. 19, to leave out from the beginning of l. 11 to the end of subsection (1).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Powers of borrowing).—Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 31, to leave out the words "under this Act."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 1, at the end, to insert the words—

"(c) constructing a lock or locks across the river-bed."

—(Mr. Fell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 18 (Issue of port stock).—Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 39, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 18, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 19 to No. 21 agreed to.

Clause No. 22 (Power of Board of Trade to order increase of dues).—Amendment proposed, in p. 25, l. 3, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 23 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 24 and No. 25 agreed to.

Clause No. 26 (Powers of Board of Trade as to conciliation).—Amendment proposed, in p. 28, l. 4, after the word "business," to insert the words "or of the charges made in respect thereof, whether levied directly or indirectly, and whether under the maximum or not."—(Mr. Seacorn.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 27 (Regulation of engagement of casual labour).—Amendment proposed, in p. 28, l. 33, after the word "labour," to insert the words "or of the charges made in respect thereof, whether levied directly or indirectly, and whether under the maximum or not."—(Mr. Carr-Gomm.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 28 to No. 38 agreed to.

Clause No. 39 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 40 and No. 41 agreed to.

Clause No. 42 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 43 to No. 46 agreed to.

Clause No. 47 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 48 and No. 49 agreed to.

Clause No. 50 (Adjustment of property and liabilities).—Amendment proposed, in p. 36, l. 27, to leave out the word "and," in order to insert the words "but there shall be no adjustment of or concerning capital expenditure incurred prior to the appointed day below the City Stone at Staines Bridge, nor with respect to the offices
of the Conservancy on the Victoria Embankment, in the county of London, or the superannuation or compensation of officers or servants transferred to the Port Authority, and the Conservancy and their property shall be free and discharged from all liability in respect thereof."—(Mr. Barnard.)

Question proposed, That the word "and" stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 51 to No. 60 agreed to.

Friday, 13th November 1908:

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Bonar Law):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule 1.

Amendment proposed, in p. 49, l. 18, to leave out the words "persons, and either wholly or partly of."—(Mr. Morton.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 50, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words " All the meetings of the Port Authority shall be open to the public, unless otherwise determined by the majority of the members present and voting on that question."—(Mr. Morton.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 52, to leave out Is. 33 to 37, inclusive.—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 55, l. 28, to leave out subsection (17).—(Mr. Seaverns.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedules 2 to 8 agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Bill 369.

East India Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Post Office Sites Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Bill.

Second Reading of the Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Aridness and Sessions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then four minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[No. 144.]

Friday, 13th November 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

M. Birrell presented, Return to an Order, Land Judge's dated the 9th day of this instant November, for a Return relative to Land Judge's Court (Ireland).—No. 323.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command, Copy of Report, No. 383 (Southern Nigeria, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Backman presented, Return to an East India Address to His Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant November, for a Return relative to East India (Proclamations).—No. 324.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to considering the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Sale of intoxicating liquor with meals during 3 l 2
closing hours on Sunday, and sale of refreshments other than intoxicating liquor during closing hours)—(Mr. Solicitor General).

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Captain Norton : ] 199.

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Noes, (Mr. Henry Forster : ] 83.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Clause, by leaving out subsection (1)—(Mr. Luttrell).

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “Sunday,” in l. 4, stand part of the Clause—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being Five of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Clause under consideration.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be added to the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Captain Norton : ] 205.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Clause was made part of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded successively to put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the new Clause, read the first time.

Clause be added to the Bill;

(Mr. Solicitor General.)
No. 145.

Monday, 16th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions. SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Shop Hours Act, 1904.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the Borough of Nelson under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the borough.

Copy of Licence granted under the Penal Servitude Acts (Conditional Licence.) Situated at Mary Ann Spillane, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the Elizabeth Fry Refuge, 195, Mare Street, Hackney, E.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.) Colonel Seeby presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 584 (Report on the Work of the Imperial Institute for 1906-7) and 585 (Barbados, Report for 1907-8).

Copy of Correspondence relating to a proposal to recruit Labour in Madagascar for employment in the Transvaal Mines.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. Sir Edward Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of Proceedings under the Salmon and Freshwater Fishery Acts, &c. for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land Commission. Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of March 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Judicial Statistics (Scotland.) The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Census of Production Act, 1906.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the amount of Notes issued more than forty years which have not been presented for payment, and which have been written off, on the 31st October 1906, from the total amount of Notes issued from the Issue Department of the Bank of England pursuant to the Bank Act, 1892.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Nurse Act to regulate the Registration of Nurses; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Licensing Bill, and take into further consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 15, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Patrick White.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and," in p. 3, l. 18, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltibank: ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Viscount Valentina: ]

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 19, by leaving out the words "licence (whether an: ."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltibank: ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexadner Acland-Hood, Viscount Valentina: ]

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 19, by leaving out the words "or an off-licence."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltibank: ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Viscount Valentina: ]

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that until the expiration of seven years after the termination of the said licence the said licensee shall have the right to the said licence with such or without such conditions as the said Committee shall from time to time determine," in p. 3, l. 24, by leaving out the words "or an off-licence."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Eltibank: ]

Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Viscount Valentina: ]

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that until the expiration of seven years after the termination of the said licence the said licensee shall have the right to the said licence with such or without such conditions as the said Committee shall from time to time determine," in p. 3, l. 24, by leaving out the words "or an off-licence."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
of the reduction period there shall be no power to attach to the re-grant of an old off-licence any condition for securing to the public the monopoly value of the licence."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 270.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hodges, Noes, Mr. Howard] 29.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words "shall not be applicable to off-licences and."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 234.

Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Forster, Noes, Lord Balcarres] 123.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 30, by leaving out paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of Clause 3.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 265.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 15, by leaving out the words "Subject to the foregoing provision," and inserting the words "Except as provided by this section with respect to the limitation of optional reduction by the financial provisions of this Act, and the exclusion of appeal in the case of a licence extinguished in pursuance of a scheme for statutory reduction"—(Mr. Solicitor General).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 263.

Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Forster, Noes, Lord Balcarres] 91.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 16, by leaving out the words "have for the time being with respect to other on-licences," and inserting the words "had with respect to the renewal or transfer of alehouse licences before the passing of the Licensing Act, 1904"—(Mr. Solicitor General).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 251.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 16, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words "Provided that the conditions to be attached to the granting of new off-licences shall include such conditions as the justices think best adapted for ensuring that the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be carried on separately from the sale of other commodities, and that such liquors be separately charged and paid for."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 2, by leaving out Clause 6.—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "first," in p. 5, l. 3, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank] 271.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Ten of the clock this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned—(Mr. Harcourt):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port of London Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bail Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Courts Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords]; [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) Bill [Pay, Ireland &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eighteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
Tuesday, 17th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4166 and 4170.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series)

Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Miscellaneous Series, No. 669.

Treaty Series (No. 26, 1908.)

Copy of Agreement and Protocol between the United Kingdom and Germany with regard to Sleeping Sickness. Signed at London, 27th October 1908.

Treaty Series (No. 29, 1908.)

Copy of Protocol between the United Kingdom, the Independent State of the Congo, France, Germany, Portugal, and Spain, prohibiting the importation of Firearms, Ammunition, &c. within a certain zone in Western Equatorial Africa. Signed at Brussels, 22nd July 1908.

Treaty Series (No. 50, 1908.)

Copy of Accession of Liberia to the International Copyright Convention of 9th September 1886, and the additional Act and Declaration of 4th May 1896, 16th October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Copy of the Charter of the Independent State of the Congo, 1908, respectively, being—

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Application under the College Charter Act, 1871, received from the University College of Bristol, for the establishment of a University in Bristol, referred by His Majesty in Council for the consideration and report of a Committee of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council; together with a Copy of the Draft of the Charter applied for.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Regulations made by the Local Government Board under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905, dated 11th November and 17th November 1908, respectively, being—

(1) Supplemental Regulations amending the Regulations (Organisation for Unemployed, 1905) so far as regards the conditions under which an Application may be entertained by a Distress Committee;

(2) Regulations rescinding the Supplemental Regulations, and making further Regulations for the like purpose.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Nurses Registration Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sydney Rastor presented a Bill to amend the Post Office Savings Bank Acts, 1861 to 1908, with respect to deposits by the Public Trustee: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Licensing Bill, to take into further consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 11, by leaving out Clause 10.

—(Mr. Cane.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the," in p. 7, l. 13, stand part of the Bill:

And it being half an hour after Ten of the Question put clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the," in p. 7, l. 13, stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] [Mr. Henry Forster: ] 278.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] [Viscount Valentia, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Deputy Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 16, by inserting, after the word "period," the words "with three years added thereto in each case, and."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] [Sir Alexander Acland-Hood, Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] 293.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 36, by inserting, after the word "exercise," the word "all."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)
And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, 300.
Tellers for Sir Herbert Lewis, Noes, 95.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.
And it being after Eleven of the clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Sir Hudson Keorty):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday the 30th day of this instant November, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock:

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.].

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No. 147.] Wednesday, 18th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Factory and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Meals and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Holiday), which was presented upon the 19th day of October last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Factory and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Overtime), which was presented upon the 19th day of October last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Factory and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Over-time), which was presented upon the 19th day of October last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Factory and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Holiday), which was presented upon the 19th day of October last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Factory and Workshop Acts (Special Exception—Over-time), which was presented upon the 19th day of October last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant November, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant November, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Colonial Command,—Copies of Reports, Nos. 586 (Somaliland Protectorate, Report for 1907–8); 587 (Trinidad and Tobago, Report for 1907–8); 588 (Sierra Leone, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Patent and Command,—Copy of Order made by the Board of Trade under Section 8 of the Patents and Designs Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Regulations providing for Education. Special Grants in Aid of certain Local Education Authorities in England and Wales in 1908–9.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the total number of Pupils in the Secondary Schools and Pupil-Teacher Centres mentioned in the List of recognised Schools recently published [Cd. 4374], in the following form:—

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from Selection Committee that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Sir John Dryer; and had Committee B appointed in substitution (in respect of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill: Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee London and on the London and District Electricity Supply Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the Bill but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take further consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 5, by leaving out Clause 18.—(Sir Gilbert Parker.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “except,” in p. 13, l. 4, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, 256. Master of Elbank : ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Gilbert Parker, Noes, [Mr. Fell: ] 71.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 4, by leaving out the words “one hour,” and inserting the words “three hours”—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words “one hour” stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Yeas, 79. Mr. Henry Forster : ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, 288. Master of Elbank: ]

So it was passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words “three hours” be inserted, in p. 13, l. 4 of the Bill, in lieu of words omitted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Seven of the Questions put to pursuant to the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the House. Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day, in...
pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 5, by leaving out the words "three p.m., and for any two hours between six p.m. and."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 89.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 7, by inserting at the end thereof the words "subject to the condition that one of the hours so fixed must be between noon and three p.m."

Provided that, in the application of this provision to premises in the metropolitan district, four hours shall be substituted for three hours, and eleven p.m. shall be substituted for ten p.m.v

—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 294.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 73.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, by leaving out Is. 12 and 13.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 283.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 73.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 12, by leaving out Clause 20.—(Mr. James Hope.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "arrangements," in p. 14, l. 15, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 286.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 68.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(e) the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquor, or of any kind of intoxicating liquor, before the hour of eight a.m. on any day."

—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 287.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 27, by leaving out the words "as amended by this Act."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 288.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 67.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 29, by leaving out the words "closing of the premises," and inserting the words "prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises, except to persons lodging on the premises and persons taking meals on the premises in a room set apart for the purpose"—(Mr. Solicitor General)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 299.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 66.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];
Ordered, The Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port of London Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, The Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.];
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then thirteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the Census of directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Production Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Act, 1906.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of all Contracts made in the United Kingdom for manufactured articles by the several Government Departments in the year ending the 31st day of March 1908, either with contractors outside the United Kingdom or with contractors or agents who obtain the articles from abroad (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 327 of Session 1907).—(Mr. Jesse Collings.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Licensing Bill, and ordered to be further consideration the Licensing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 36, by leaving out Clause 24.—(Mr. Gretton.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in p. 15, l. 37, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea, (Master of Elibank: )]
Jesse 289.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, (Mr. Henry Forster: )]
Joseph Pease, 94.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of an Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the Bill.

Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 5, by leaving out Clause 36.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "local," in p. 20, l. 7, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yea, (Master of Elibank: )]
Mr. 236.
Tellers for the [Sir Frederich Banbury, Noes, (Earl Winterton: )]
Hobhouse, 53.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 25, by leaving out Clause 37.—(Earl Winterton.)

And the Question being put, That the words "any person" stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 262.
Tellers for the [Earl Winterton, Noes, Mr. Courthope: ] 93.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 29, by leaving out the word "mainly."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word "mainly" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 288.
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, Noes, Colonel Stody: ] 93.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 17th day of July last, to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, which were necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Ten of the clock this day, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 11th day of this instant November.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "an," the words "any direct or indirect."—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 294.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 94.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "obligation," the words "of any kind."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 295.
Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Forster, Noes, Lord Balcarras: ] 93.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, l. 28, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(2) Section twenty-eight of the Licensing Act, 1902, shall be read as if any grounds for notice of objection to the registration or renewal of registration of a club under this Act, which are not mentioned in that section, were added thereto as grounds on which a club may be struck off the register."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] 291.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Harry Forster: ] 92.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Schedule 5, p. 33, l. 31, by leaving out the words "of Inland Revenue," and inserting the words "for the time being having the management of the duties of excise"—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 287.
Tellers for the [Viscount Valentia, Noes, Mr. Henry Forster: ] 91.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time Bill 574. to-morrow; and be printed.

The Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Birrell reported from the Committee on Constabulary Constabulary (Ireland) [Pay, &c.] a Resolution (Ireland); which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to make further provision for the pay of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and for the pensions, pension allowances, and gratuities payable to them, their widows, and children.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Birrell and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare and bring it in.
Mr. Birrell accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Pay and Pensions of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying Him to annul so much of the Old Age Pensions Regulations, 1908, as provides that the pension officers shall, in investigating the claims of applicants, be subject to any further instructions issued for the guidance of pension officers by the Board of Inland Revenue—(Lord Robert Cecil):

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 20th November 1908:

The Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Lord Robert Cecil, Yea, (Mr. Bowles) 54.
Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Mr. Herbert Lewis) 141.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twenty-two minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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Prayers.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to Perth Corporation: And the same was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Monday the 30th day of this instant November; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary for Scotland under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, providing for the early closing of certain classes of Shops in the Burgh of Hamilton.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from Selection the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing, Committee B, Town Planning, & Bill) ;—Mr. Austin Taylor; Mr. Alban Ramsay, and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill) ; Mr. Sinclair.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee 

On Group M of Private Bills; That, for the (Group M.) convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman, supported by Mr. Asquith, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Trevelyan, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to Elementary Education in England and Wales; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill.

Third Reading of the Licensing Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question was put; And the House divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Mr. Herbert Lewis) 350.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put; Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Public Petitions. Vote Eighth Report.

public Health (Regulations as to Food) Act, 1897.

local Taxation Returns (England and Wales.) No. 333.

Africa (No. 5, 1908.)

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return to Local Taxation Returns (England and Wales) be printed.

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Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence respecting the Taxation of Natives and other questions in the Congo State.

Copy of the Annual Local Taxation Returns for 1906-7. Part I.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return to Local Taxation Returns be printed.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to Orders of the House of Commons, of an Order, No. 7599, dated 18th November 1908, entitled the Foreign Animals (Amendment) Order of 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table Inquiry into by the Clerk of the House:—Further Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of March 1885, (County of Berks, No. 485) for Returns relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks).

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


Copy of the Fee Order under the Land Transfer Acts, 1875 and 1897, dated 9th November 1908.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty's Secretary to the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords. Standing Committees.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

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[No. 150.]

Monday, 23rd November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations made by the Local Government Board under the Public Health (Regulations as to Food) Act, 1897: (1) Regulations as to Foreign Meat; (2) Regulations as to Unsound Food.

Copy of the Annual Local Taxation Returns for 1906-7. Part I.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return to Local Taxation Returns (England and Wales) be printed.

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Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Education into consideration the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;...
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bucknall presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement as to expenditure by Local Education Authorities on the maintenance (as distinct from administration and loan charges) of Public Elementary Schools for the year ended 31st March 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to Famine in the Busoga District of Uganda.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 12th November 1898, under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1897, entitled the American Gooseberry Leaf mine (Prohibition) Bill 1898, and to make certain alterations in the Accession Declaration—(Mr. William Redmond)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question (pursuant to Standing Order No. 11.) to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove certain Disabilities affecting the Roman Catholic population, and to make certain alterations in the Accession Declaration—(Mr. William Redmond)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the House do not adjourn until the House is sitting under the Rules and Regulations for Naval Prisons, dated 29th October 1908, amending Regulations for Naval Prisons made by the Admiralty under Section 81 of the Naval Discipline Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary for Scotland by His Majesty's Inspector of Public Elementary Schools and loan charges) of Public Elementary Schools for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Captain Donelan, Yeas, Mr. Patrick O'Brien: 233

Tellers for the Mr. M'Arthur, Noes, Mr. Moore: 48.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. William Redmond, Captain Donelan, Lord Edmund Talbot, Mr. Boland, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Mr. Haviland-Burke, and Mr. Young do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. William Redmond accordingly presented a Bill to remove certain Disabilities affecting the Roman Catholic population, and to make certain alterations in the Accession Declaration—(Mr. Asquith)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Prevention of Crime Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Asquith);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elmbank: 272

Tellers for the Mr. Henry Forster, Noes, Lord Balfour: 73.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Lunacy Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir William Brampton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] and of the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill) — Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Holpax; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bills) Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. T. P. O'Connor.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
as may be necessary to increase the number of bursaries available, both before and after the junior student stage, for Gaelic-speaking children intending to become teachers."

—(Mr. Lamont.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Lamont, Yeas: (Mr. Ainsworth: Tellers for the (Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, (Master of Elibank:

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 18, by leaving out subsection (3) of Clause 15.—(Mr. Murray MacDonald.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "for," in p. 14, l. 21, stand part of the Bill:

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 21, by leaving out from the word "district" to the end of Clause 15, and inserting the words "so as to give an equal amount, for every child in average attendance at their respective school or schools, to all school boards and other managers of State-aided schools, but that only after reservation of the sum of twenty-five thousand pounds to be granted at the absolute discretion of the Department, to necessitous schools or schools in thinly populated districts"—(Mr. Menzies),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "in," in l. 24, stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 10, by inserting at the end thereof the words "except burghs and parishes which have made provision for their own scholars."—(Mr. Muir Ferguson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 26, by inserting, after the word "Board," the words "or the managers of any inspected school."—(Mr. Cochran.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 20, l. 19, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided always, that it shall not be competent under this section to annex a school-board district having a population of over fifty thousand to an adjacent school-board district unless the districts concerned are agreed in desiring such union."—(Mr. Robert Dunnean.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, l. 30, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(4) Any school board shall be entitled to make application to the accountant of the Department respecting any expenditure which they may propose to incur. If such expenditure receives the sanction of the accountant of the Department it shall not subsequently be regarded as an illegal payment, liable to be disallowed or surcharged on the person or persons making such payment."—(Mr. Cochran.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 23, l. 33, by leaving out from the word "district" to the end of subsection (1) of Clause 25, and inserting the words "Provided that an existing school board holding office at the passing of this Act shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Education (Scotland) Act, 1872, retain office until the first election of school boards under this Act, which election shall take place in the year nineteen hundred and eleven, being the year following the year of a parish council election"—(Mr. Watt),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the second word "shall," the words "before granting or refusing the prayer of the petition and complaint."—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 25, l. 3, by inserting, after the second word "annum," the words "seven hundred pounds per annum in the case of endowments the revenues of which, before the passing of this Act, might be applied to purposes in two or more counties, or in any other case not exceeding."—(Mr. Watt.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 25, l. 12, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that the governing body of any intermediate or secondary school administered under a scheme approved in terms of the Educational Endowments (Scotland) Act, 1882, or under any Act or any Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament, shall, notwithstanding anything contained in any scheme, Act, or Order, have the power, with the sanction of the Department, to administer that part of their annual revenue presently applicable to the granting of bursaries in conformity with the requirements of section twenty-eight hereof, without the necessity of applying to the Court of Session or to Parliament."—(Mr. Cochran.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, line 40, by inserting, after the word "council," the words "or county education committee."—(Mr. Cochrane.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 26, line 10, by inserting, after the word "Department," the words "which in future shall be called the Scottish Education Department."—(Mr. Gulland.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Yeas, (Mr. Joseph Pease, Master of Elibank); 105.

Tellers for the Captain Donelan, Noes, (Mr. Patrick O'Brien); 48.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, line 10, by leaving out paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of Clause 1.—(Mr. Renton.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, line 7, by leaving out the words "apparently under such age."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, line 40, by inserting, after the word "establish," the word "three."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "three" be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, line 29, by leaving out Clause 7.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, line 6, by leaving out Part II. of the Bill.—(Mr. Athelney-Jones.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "whether," in p. 5, line 7, stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 25th November 1908:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Henry Forster):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ball Bill, Second Reading of the Ball Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill, Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then thirteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Local Government (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

[No. 152.]

Wednesday, 25th November 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Resolved, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of Military Operations undertaken by the Government of India on the North-West frontier, the North-East frontier, and beyond India, in the period 1899-1908, inclusive. —(Mr. Belhaven.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the gross amount of import duty collected in British India on articles taxable under the India Tariff during the years 1905-6, 1906-7, and 1907-8, together with the percentage of duty realised under each head to the total Revenue realised in each year. —(Mr. Harold Cox.)

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [ Lords ] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

— It was resolved in the Committee of Selection, That the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill (not amended in the Standing Committee) be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

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The Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [ Lords ] was presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the gross amount of duty realised under each head to the total Revenue realised in each year. —(Mr. Hutton.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months." —(Mr. Hutton.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned —(Mr. Haffour): — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Coal Mines into consideration the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Port of London Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then one minute before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Greg presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 4172.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 25th day of this instant November, for a Return relative to East India (Military Operations).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Urban District Council of Hindley under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of Classes of Documents which have been removed from the Office of His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State having the Department of the Colonies, and deposited in the Public Record Office, but are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation therein.

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee on the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords];

That the Committee had considered the Instructions of the House of the 2nd day of November last, and having regard thereto had inserted in the Bill a provision constituting the London County Council the purchasing authority in respect of the undertakings of the London Electric Supply Companies on equitable terms, and also provisions conferring on the local authorities who are authorised distributors in the Administrative County of London the same powers as those conferred by the Bill upon the London Electric Supply Companies.

Sir Luke White further reported from the Committee, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had also amended the Title, as followeth:—An Act to confer further powers and to make further provisions with respect to the supply of electrical energy in London.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the War Office on the steps taken during 1907 to provide Technical Instruction to Soldiers, to fit them for civil life.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twelve minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

Friday, 27th November 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Return relative to East India (Military Operations), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant November, be printed.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Naval Command, — Copy of Papers relating to the case of Mr. Alfred Mangena.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Act, 1903, during the month of April 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Draft Regulations under Clause 2 of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill.

Copy of further Statement showing the cases in which the Board of Education have received applications from Local Education Authorities for Special Grants for the building of new Public Elementary Schools, and the stage which each case had reached on 31st October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament, — Account showing the gross amount received and expended on account of the Telegraph Service during the year ended 31st March 1908, and the balance of the expenditure over the receipts, prepared in pursuance of the Telegraph (Money) Act, 1876; and a Statement additional to the above Account.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Elementary Education (England and Wales) (Grants.)
this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee on the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords]; That, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 2nd day of November last, the Committee had inserted a Clause in the Bill binding the promoters not to offer opposition to any future legislative proposal to constitute the London County Council the purchasing authority.

That with regard to the Instruction of the House, also of the 2nd day of November last, informing the Committee that they have power to insert a provision binding the promoters not to offer opposition to any future legislative proposals that may be brought forward on behalf of the Council of the Metropolitan Boroughs to confer on such Council powers for such mutual assistance or association as is conferred by this Bill on the promoters, the Committee having considered a Clause proposed by the promoters, approved and inserted same in the Bill.

Sir Luke White further reported from the Committee: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Brompton Gordon reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills:—Mr. Waldron; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill and the Local Government (Scotland) Bill): Mr. Waldron.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate Enactments relating to the Post Office; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 3) Bill, and the necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating thereto, shall be proceeded with as follows:—

1. Committee Stage.

Six allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, including the necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating to the Bill, and the proceedings on each of those allotted days shall be those shown in the second column of the table annexed to this Order, and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table:—

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2. Report Stage.

Two allotted days shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and the proceedings for each of those allotted days shall be such as may be hereafter determined in manner provided by this Order, and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on each such allotted day:

3. Third Reading.

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day:

On the conclusion of the Committee stage the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put, and the House shall on a subsequent day consider the proposals made by the Government for the allocation of the proceedings on the Report stage of the Bill. The proceedings on the consideration of those proposals shall be proceeded with at any hour, though any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House, but if they are not brought to a conclusion before the expiration of one hour after they have been commenced Mr. Speaker shall, at the expiration of that time, bring them to a conclusion by putting the Question on the Motion proposed by the Government, after having put the Question on any Amendment or other Motion which has been already proposed from the Chair and not disposed of:

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered as a devoted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution relating thereto is put down as the first Order of the day, followed by the Bill. Provided that 5 p.m. shall be substituted for 10.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Friday, and 3 p.m. shall be substituted for 10.30 p.m. and 12 noon for 7.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Saturday, as the time at which proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under the foregoing provisions:

A Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Business on any day that the House sit on the following Saturday at 10 a.m. for the purpose of the consideration of the Bill, and the Question on any Motion so made shall be put forthwith by the Speaker without Amendment or Debate:

Notice of any Question requiring an oral answer for a Friday or Saturday shall, if that day is an allotted day under this Order, be treated as a notice for the following Monday:

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any amendments which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments, new Clauses, or Schedules moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, Clauses, or Schedules, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules he shall
put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be:—

A Motion may be made by the Government to leave out any Clause or consecutive Clauses of the Bill before the consideration of any Amendments to the Clause or Clauses in Committee:

The Question on a Motion made by the Government to leave out any Clause or Clauses of the Bill shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. on any allotted day shall, instead of being taken on that day as provided by the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

On any day on which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order proceedings for that purpose under this Order shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House:

On an allotted day no, dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to reconsider the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate:

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any Business which under this Order is to be concluded on an allotted day being proceeded with on any other day, or necessitate any allotted day or part of an allotted day being given to any such Business if the Business to be concluded has been otherwise disposed of; or

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An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, being of opinion that a settlement of the Education question by general agreement is urgently required, and that such agreement can only be secured if the views of all parties interested are fully discussed by this House, regrets that exceptional means of curtailing Debate should be used to force precipitately through its remaining stages a measure touching complicated interests and rousing vehement feelings"—(Mr. Henry Forster)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "the Committee stage, Report stage" stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the: Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, (Captain Norton; |
Mr. Herbert Lewis; |
Viscount Valentia, Noes. |
Mr. Henry Forster; |
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Question was amended, in l. 6, by leaving out the word "Six," and inserting the word "Eight"—(Mr. Asquith)—instead thereof;

and in the table annexed, by leaving out from the word "First" to the end of the Question, and inserting the words:

| (Mr. Asquith); |

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the: Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, |
Mr. Herbert Lewis; |
Viscount Valentia, Noes, |
Mr. Claude Hay; |
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill, and the necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating thereto, shall be proceeded with as follows:—
1. Committee Stage.

Eight allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, including the necessary stages of the Financial Resolution relating to the Bill, and the proceedings on each of those allotted days shall be those shown in the second column of the table annexed to this Order, and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on each such allotted day.

2. Report Stage.

Two allotted days shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

3. Third Reading.

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

On the conclusion of the Committee stage the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put, and the House shall on a subsequent day consider the proposals made by the Government for the allocation of the proceedings on the Report stage of the Bill. The proceedings on the consideration of those proposals may be entered on at any hour, though opposed, and shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House, but if they are not brought to a conclusion before the expiration of one hour after they have been commenced Mr. Speaker shall, at the expiration of that time, bring them to a conclusion by putting the Question on the Motion proposed by the Government, after having put the Question, if necessary, on any Amendment or other Motion which has been already proposed from the Chair and not disposed of.

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day, or on which any stage of the Financial Resolution relating thereto is put down as the first Order of the day, followed by the Bill. Provided that 5 p.m. shall be substituted for 10.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Friday, and 3 p.m. shall be substituted for 10.30 p.m. and 12 noon for 7.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Saturday, as the time at which proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under the foregoing provisions.

A Motion may be made by a Minister of the Crown at the commencement of Business on any day that the House sit on the following Saturday at 10 a.m. for the purpose of the consideration of the Bill, and the Question on any Motion so made shall be put forthwith by the Speaker without Amendment or Debate.

Notice of any Question requiring an oral answer for a Friday or Saturday shall, if that day is an allotted day under this Order, be treated as a notice for the following Monday.

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On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order 10, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for, the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, No. 7805, dated 21st November 1908, permitting the landing at Deptford Foreign Animals Wharf of Animals carried on board the Steamship "Marquette."

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Mr. Burns presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of July last, for a Return relative to Poor Relief (England and Wales).

Mr. Burns also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Local Taxation Returns for 1886—7. Part II.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return giving, by Counties and Provinces, the area, Poor Law valuation, and purchase money of (a) lands sold, and (b) lands in respect of which proceedings have been instituted and are pending for sale under the Irish Land Purchase Acts; also the estimated area, Poor Law valuation, and purchase money of lands in respect of which proceedings for sale have not been instituted under the said Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1. (Rate aid not to be given to non-provided schools, and duty of authority to provide school accommodation.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Hunt.)

Question put, That the words "An elementary school" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 211.
Tellers for the [Viscount Helmsley : ] 117.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "be," to insert the word "fully."—(Mr. Harold Cox.)

Question, That the word "fully" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word "authority," to insert the words "except as hereinafter provided."—(Mr. Dillon.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Donelan, Yeas, [Mr. Patrick O'Brien : ] 159.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Noes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 226.

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And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, Question put forthwith to the Chairman proceed, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 27th November, to consider the Bill forthwith with the Question necessary to dispose House.)

Of Clause 1.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Mr. Herbert Lewis : ] 238.
Tellers for the [Captain Donelan, Noes, [Mr. Patrick O'Brien : ] 144.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Elementary Education (England and Wales) (Grants). (In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorize the payment of Parliamentary Grants to associations of schools in respect of every public elementary school belonging to such associations, and of a Parliamentary Grant in respect of instruction given in special subjects at centres, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to Elementary Education in England and Wales.-(Mr. Balfour.)

Question put forthwith, in pursuance of the Question put Order of the House of the 27th November, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant November, adjourned, That the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill be now read a second time ;—

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Keir Hardie.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put ;—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.—(Mr. Younger ;)
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

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And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Irish Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

East India Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Contempts of Court Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

County Courts Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ferries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

London Paving Expenses Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Sites (recommendation) Bill [Lords];
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Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Assizes and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters’ Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 24th day of this instant November, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then fourteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 156.]

Tuesday, 1st December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.


Copy of the Rates of Import Duties levied in European Countries, Egypt, the United States, Mexico, Argentina, Japan, China, and Persia upon the Produce and Manufactures of the United Kingdom.

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the several statistical British Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates, Abstract in each year from 1883 to 1907. Forty-fifth Number.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, dated 27th November 1897, giving effect to Rules of Court.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty’s Irish Teachers’ Command,—Copy of Rules under Section 11 of Pension Rules for the National School Teachers (Ireland) Act, 1879.

Mr. Hobhouse also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Treaty Series Nos. 31 and 32.

Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 25th November 1908, declaring that Henry Restall, Explosive Worker, Royal Laboratory, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Public Health Regulations (Scotland), 1908, giving effect to Rules of Court of the Supreme Court of Judicature of the United Kingdom and Bulgaria. Signed at Sofia, 9th December 1905.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Accessions of (No. 31, 1908.) British Colonies, &c. to the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between the United Kingdom and Bulgaria. Signed at Sofia, 9th December 1905.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relative to National Education in Education Ireland, showing (1) number of Roman Catholic National Schools in Ireland, number of Roman Catholic Teachers, principal and assistants, with amount of their salaries, and number of Roman Catholic Children on the rolls; (2) number of Non-Catholic National Schools in Ireland, with the average daily attendance, number of Non-Catholic Teachers, principal and assistants, with the amount of their salaries; (3) number of
Roman Catholic National Schools with an average daily attendance of from 10 to 15, with the salaries and emoluments of the Teachers of such Schools; (4) number of Non-Catholic National Schools in Ireland with an average attendance of from 10 to 15, with the salaries and emoluments of the Teachers of such Schools; (5) in how many Roman Catholic National Schools has Rule 127 (b) been imposed, and in how many Non-Catholic Schools has Rule 127 (b) been imposed; (6) how many Roman Catholic National Schools have been amalgamated since 1895, and how many Non-Catholic National Schools during the same time; (7) how many Roman Catholic Inspectors and how many Non-Catholic Inspectors were in the employment of the National Board in the year 1900; (8) how many Roman Catholic Inspectors and how many Non-Catholic Inspectors are in the service of the Board at the present time; and (9) how many Roman Catholic assistant or temporary Inspectors and how many Non-Catholic assistant or temporary Inspectors are employed by the National Board at present.—(Mr. John Phillips.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 (Religious instruction at request of parent in provided schools).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith.)

Question put, That the words "Where the" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 239.
Tellers for the [Dr. Hazel, Noes, Mr. Fickergill: ] 46.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 20, to leave out the words "public elementary school provided by the local education authority," in order to insert the words "transferred voluntary school."—(Mr. Hutton.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, ] 273.
Tellers for the [Mr. Hutton, Noes, Mr. Fozzill: ] 56.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, to leave out the word "desires," in order to insert the words "expresses a desire that."—(Sir Francis Pochell.)

Question, That the word "desires" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, to leave out from the word "which," in l. 22, in order to insert the words "the local education authority gives or proposes to give in such school."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question, Proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out the word "shall," in order to insert the word "may."—(Mr. David Alfred Thomas.)

Question put, That the word "shall" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, Master of Elibank: ] 282.
Tellers for the [Mr. David Alfred Noes, Mr. Clement Edwards: ] 18.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the word "instruction," to insert the words "upon the same conditions, save as in this Act mentioned, as any other religious instruction given in the school."—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the word "instruction," to insert the words "in a class of a reasonable size."—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Elementary Education (England and Wales) [Grants]; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Poisons and Second Reading of the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Perth Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vile Eightight Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Factory and Workshop (Schemes for regulation of hours of employment, &c. in Charitable Institutions), which was presented upon the 30th day of November last, be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented,—Return to an Order, Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Naval and directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Six Orders in Council under the Naval and Pensions Acts, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 and 1906, dated 21st November 1908, exempting German ships when in British ports from the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, relating to overloading, upon certain conditions.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted by His Majesty to Emma Byron, a convict under detention in Aylesbury Prison, permitting her to be at large on condition that she enter the Lady Henry Somerset Home, Duxhurst, Reigate.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted by His Majesty to Foreign Animals, Wharf in Great Britain of Animals carried on board the Steamship “Crown Point.”

Copy of Order, No. 7609, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 24th November 1908, permitting the landing at the Deptford Foreign Animals Wharf of Animals carried on board the Steamship “Armenian.”

Copy of Order, No. 7611, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 26th November 1908, permitting the landing at a Foreign Animals Wharf in Great Britain of Animals carried on board the Steamship “Manchester Trader.”

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return, in pursuance of Section 4 of the Regulation of Railways Act, 1889, of Railway Servants of certain classes who were, on one or more occasions during the month of July 1908, on duty, on the Railways of the United Kingdom for more than twelve hours at a time; or who, after being on duty more than twelve hours, were allowed to resume work with less than nine hours’ rest.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Rules under the Workmen’s Compensation Act, 1906, Rules (No. 2), dated 24th November 1908.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the average number of years’ Purchase under the Ashbourne Act for the years 1901 and 1902, and under the Act of 1903 to the 31st July 1908, in the different counties of Ireland, as follows:—

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(Mr. Flynn.)

Mr. Beale reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords, to whom the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords], the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords], and the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] were referred: That they had agreed to the following Report:—

The Committee have met and considered the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords], and have examined Witnesses, and have directed the said Bill to be reported to the House, with Amendments.

Your Committee are satisfied that the Schedule to the Bill, as amended, comprises enactments which have ceased to be in force, otherwise than by express specific repeal, and also such parts of titles, preambles, recitals, and enacting words as are intended to be omitted in future editions of the Statutes under the authority of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Pickersgill reported from the Select Committee on Debtors (Imprisonment); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report to the House, with a recommendation that a Committee on the same subject be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 (Religious instruction at request of parent in provided schools).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, to leave out from the word “ instruction ” to the word “ make,” in l. 27.—(Mr. Mildmay.)

Question put, That the word “ on ” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Master of Eltham, Yeas, [Mr. Herbert Lewis]: 269.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mildmay, Noes, [Mr. Lane-Fox]: 109.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the first word “ on,” to insert the word “ any.”—(Sir Berkeley Sheffiel.)

Question proposed, That the word “ any ” be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the word “ two,” to insert the word “ appointed.”—(Mr. Yoxall.)

Question, That the word “ appointed ” be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the first word “ the,” in order to insert the word “ each.”—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Question proposed, That the first word “ the ” stand part of the Clause: — Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, after the word “ meets,” to insert the words “ for twelve calendar months thereafter.”—(Mr. Essex.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, to leave out from the word “ meets” to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words “ provide suitable accommodation in or adjoining the schoolhouse.”—(Mr. Ashley.)

Question put, That the word “ make ” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Eltham: 307.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ashley, Noes, [Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith]: 78.
And it being after half-past Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 27th November, successively to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Question necessary to dispose of the Business to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock this day.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, after the second word "and," to insert the words "such instruction shall be entered on the timetable, and the children receiving it shall be subject to the ordinary discipline of the school in the same manner as when receiving any other instruction."—(Mr. Runciman.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yes, [Master of Eltham:] 293.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hutton,] Noes, [Mr. Hazel:] 66.

Other Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yes, [Master of Eltham:] 276.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hutton,] Noes, [Mr. Clement Edwards:] 66.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Runciman)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Runciman reported from the Committee on Elementary Education (England and Wales) [Grants] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—

That it is expedient to authorise the payment of Parliamentary Grants to associations of schools in respect of every public elementary school belonging to such associations, and of a Parliamentary Grant in respect of instruction given in special subjects at centres, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to Elementary Education in England and Wales.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,] Yeas, [Master of Eltham:] 241.

Tellers for the [Captain Donelan,] Noes, [Mr. Patrick O'Brien:] 119.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port of London Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then nineteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 158.]

Thursday, 3rd December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Order, No. 787, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated 26th November 1908, permitting the landing at a Foreign Animals Wharf in Great Britain of Animals carried on board the Steamship "Titan."

Copy of an Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated the 27th day of November 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Wisbech and District) Order of 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Report made to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Act, 1890, by the Visitors of Lunatics, of the number of visits made, the number of patients seen, and the number of miles travelled by the said Visitors, between the 1st day of April 1908 and the 30th day of September 1908.

Sir Francis Channing reported from Standing Committee B, to the House, that the Bill, as amended, entitled the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill, was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Housing of the Working Classes, and to provide for the making of Town Planning Schemes; and to make further provision with respect to the appointment and duties of County Medical Officers of Health, and to provide for the establishment of Public Health and Housing Committees of County Councils.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 387. Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Ernest George Pretzmann, Esquire, Member New Member for the County of Essex (Mid or Chelmsford Division), was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Children Bill, Children Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Children Bill, Lords to the Children Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention Bill; (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing (Ireland) Bill Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking vested to consideration the Port of London Bill, as London Bill, amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing (Ireland) Bill Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking in consideration the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition Bill [Lords].
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 5, by leaving out Clause 1.—(Earl of Ronaldshay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 5, by leaving out the word "eleven," and inserting the word "twelve"—(Earl of Ronaldshay),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "eleven" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

The Lunacy Bill [Lords]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Bill [Lords]:—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Churchill.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords]:—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Sites Bill [Lords]:—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];—

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then nineteen minutes after Seven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 159.]

Friday, 4th December 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Perth Corporation Order Confirmation part of the Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to resolutions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of Regulations under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1908, dated the 9th day of November 1908, and entitled the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (General) Regulations, 1908.

Copy of an Order, No. 7617, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, dated the 9th day of November 1908, and entitled the Diseases of Animals, 1894 to 1903.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Commissary-General, Surveyor and Inspector of Weights and Measures, Copy of Instructions to Inspectors, dated 12th November 1908, supplemental to the Instructions dated 9th March 1906, issued by the Estates Commissioners under the Regulations made by the Lord Lieutenant, dated 5th March 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Lord Advocate presented.—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of July last, for a Return relative to Roads and Bridges (Scotland).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented.—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 25th day of November last, for a Return relative to East India (Customs Revenue).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the total number of Pupils on 1st October 1907 in the Schools and Centres included in the List of Secondary Schools in England recognised as efficient, and of recognised Pupil-Teacher Centres, 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated 2nd December 1908, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 4 (4) of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, extending to certain Industrial Diseases the provisions of Section 8 (subject to modifications), and amending the previous Order of 22nd May 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports from Colonial Governors, the Government of India, and His Majesty's Representatives abroad on Laws and Regulations in force in British Colonies and Possessions in British India, and in Foreign Countries, respecting the Registration of Commercial Firms.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Reports made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East India Loans Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port of London Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the new Clauses standing on the Notice Paper on the 12th day of November last.—(Mr. Churchill.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

The Committee divided.

A Clause (Power of Board of Trade to authorise construction of works, &c.)—(Mr. Churchill)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 9, after the word "thereupon," to insert the words "after holding an inquiry at which all persons interested shall be heard."—(Mr. Whitehead.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 10, at the end, to insert the words "or a Provisional Order as provided in this section."—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Walter Guinness, ) Yeas, [Mr. Boulce: ] 36.


Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 16, after the word "land," to insert the words "and subject to such conditions and reservations."—(Mr. Whitehead.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 45, at the beginning, to insert the words "Before making an order under this section authorising the acquisition of land the Board of Trade shall appoint an impartial person to hold a public inquiry on their behalf, and if he reports or."—(Mr. Churchill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Clause, as amended, added.

Another Clause (Tolls and levies) — (Mr. Morton)—brought up, and read the first time. Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Dock and river accounts to be kept separately)—(Mr. Morton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.—Debate arising;

Mr. Churchill rose in his place and claimed to be put, and agreed to. Question put accordingly, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Morton, ) Yeas, [Mr. Myer: ] 15.

Tellers for the (Master of Eliebank, ) Noes, [Mr. Herbert Lewis: ] 175.
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Question proposed, That the Chairman do report the Bill, as amended, to the House.

And it being after Five of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Chairman proceeded to interrupt the Business:

Whereupon Mr. Churchill rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put, and agreed to.

Question, That the Chairman do report the Bill, as amended, to the House, put accordingly, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Constituency (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Constituency (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords;]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lunacy Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords;]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Post Office Sites Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords;]

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Commons Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Rules and Regulations under which Strangers are admitted to this House and its precincts; and to report whether any alterations in the same are expedient.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, its being then thirteen minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Monday, 7th December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Burns presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Government Orders made by the various County and County Borough Councils in England and Wales under Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1888, as confirmed by the Local Government Board.

Copy of Statement of the Board of Education.-Copy of Regulations made by the Local Motor Car Government Board under the Motor Car Acts, Acts, Borough of Kendal.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the Education Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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The Order made upon the 4th day of this instant December, That the Paper relative to Board of Education do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Mr. Runciman presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of November last, for Returns relative to Secondary Schools, &c. (Pupils).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the Borough of Barnstable under the Shop Hours Act, 1904, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, fixing the hours of closing for certain classes of Shops within the borough.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edward Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated the 9th day of November 1908, and entitled the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Methods of Analysis) Regulations, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Designs Rules, 1908, under the Patents and Designs Act, 1907 (Second Set), dated 14th November 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations made by the Local Government Board for Ireland under the Public Health (Regulations as to Food) Act, 1907: (1) Public Health (Foreign Meat) (Ireland) Regulations, 1908; (2) Public Health (First Series, Unsound Food) (Ireland) Regulations, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks.)
No. 350.

Inquiry into Charities (Administrative County of Devon.)
No. 351.

Land Purchase Prizes (Ireland.)

Further Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of March 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (County of Berks).

Further Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July 1905, for a Return relative to Inquiry into Charities (Administrative County of Devon).

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, by Counties, the average number of years' Purchase under the different Land Purchase Acts from 1885 to 1903, with the average percentage of reductions, the number of holdings purchased under each Act, and the amount of interest and sinking fund payable by the tenant purchasers; also, by Counties, Return showing the same particulars with respect to the Purchase Act of 1903 up to the 1st day of November last.—(Mr. William O'Brien.)

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from Selection Committee (Standing Committee A) the following Members in respect of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords]:—John Tuke, Viscount Helmsley, Captain Craig, Mr. Idris, Mr. Dillon, Sir Walter Nugent, Mr. Snowden, Mr. Winfrey, Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Vivian, and Mr. George Thorne.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon further reported Standing Committee A the following Members in respect of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords]:—Mr. Secretary Gladstone; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill):—Mr. T. W. Russell.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Nashe, supported by Mr. Harrington, presented a Bill to discharge certain Surcharges made upon the accounts of the Municipal Corporation of Dublin: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The Select Committee on the House of Commons (Admission of Strangers) was nominated by Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. William Redman, Mr. Shackleton, Mr. Stuart, Viscount Valentia, and Mr. Stuart-Wortley.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Elementary Education (England and Wales) (No. 2) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Asquith), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 24th day of November last, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Prevention of Crime Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Which Amendment was, in p. 5, l. 6, to leave out Part II. of the Bill.—(Mr. Atherley-Jones).

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "whether," in p. 5, l. 7, stand part of the Bill: — The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 9, by leaving out the words "and the court passes a sentence of penal servitude."—(Mr. Pickersgill)

And the Question being put, That the words "and the court passes a sentence of" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
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The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas: 164; Master of Elibank: ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Pickersgill, Noes: 05; Mr. Curran:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 15, by leaving out the word "further."—(Mr. Lupton.)

And the Question being put, That the word "further" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 16, by leaving out the word "preventive," and inserting the word "penal."—(Mr. Benton)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "preventive" stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof, as a new subsection, the words "A person sentenced to preventive detention shall, subject only to the needs of safe custody, be treated rather as a person in a lunatic asylum than as a person undergoing a sentence of penal servitude, and shall be allowed reasonable comforts and relaxations."—(Mr. Lupton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 26, by leaving out the words "any prison or part of a prison," and inserting the words "a place"—(Sir William Collins)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "any prison" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 25, by leaving out the words "or part of a prison."—(Mr. Pickersgill)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 27, by leaving out the words "peace," and inserting the word "two"—(Mr. George Greenwood)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "peace" stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 2, by leaving out the word "prevention," the words "prisons," and the Board of Visitors."—(Sir William Collins.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 23, by leaving out Clause 16.—(Mr. Lardner.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The House proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Joseph Pease and the Master of Elibank appointed Tellers for the Ayes, and Mr. Buchanan for the Noes.

Bellow was appointed Teller for the Noes, but no Member being willing to act as the Second Teller for the Ayes, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out the words "upon this day three months."—(Dr. Rutherford.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Buchanan rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. 3 p 4
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port of London Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Bill [Lords] ;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Buxton Charity Bill was, according to Buxton Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Long Ashton Charity Bill was, according Long Ashton to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Abbots Bromley Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Trawling in Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Contempts of Second Reading of the Contempts of Court Bill, Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Courts Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Postal Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Sinclair presented a Bill to confirm a Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage:

And the same was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant December; and to be printed.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vide Nighthawks Report.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, by His Majesty's Fair Wages Command,—Copy of Report of the Fair Wages Committee, with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Nationality His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Despatch from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Rio de Janeiro, enclosing a Translation of Decrees of June 23rd, regulating the Naturalisation of Aliens in Brazil.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Papers and a Return showing the number of all ordinary Dependants Poor and their Dependants chargeable to Parish Councils in Scotland during the year ended the 15th day of May 1907, including Poor relieved whose Settlements were undetermined at the 15th day of May 1907, classified in the following forms:—

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[No. 161.]

Tuesday, 8th December 1908.

The House sat at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill;

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Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Police Forces (Weekly Rest Day), to whom the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill was committed; That they had agreed to report the said Bill to the House, without Amendment. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 353.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee be printed.

Mr. Ellis reported from the Select Committee on Police Forces (Weekly Rest Day) the Police (Weekly Holiday) Bill was committed; That they had agreed to report the said Bill to the House, without Amendment. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 354.

Sir William Brampton Gurdon reported from the Selection Committee of; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A.;—Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland; and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords]) Mr. Attorney General for Ireland. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

No. 355.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Beale reported from the Select Committee Trusts Bill, on the Trusts Bill; That they had directed him to report the same, without Amendment. Mr. Beale further reported from the Select Committee; That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they directed him to make to the House.

Ordered, That the Report and Special Report No. 355, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee be printed.

Mr. George Greenwood, supported by Sir Diseases of William Brampton Gurdon, Sir Frederick Banbury, Sir John Kennaway, Colonel Lockwood, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Stuckleton, Mr. Maddison, Mr. John Robertman, Mr. Dyles, and Mr. Winfrey, presented a Bill to amend the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 and 1896, with respect to the exportation of Horses: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Sydney Buxton presented a Bill to amend the Post Office Savings Bank Acts, 1861 to 1908, with respect to deposits by the Public Trustee: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Ramsey Macdonald, supported by Mr. Education Clynes, Mr. Curran, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Jocott, Mr. Thomas Frederick Richards, Mr. George Roberts, Mr. Summerbell, and Mr. Tyson Wilson, presented a Bill, amend the provisions of the Education (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1907, and the Education (Provision of Meals) Act, 1906; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Hops Bill. Bill to prohibit the use of Hop substitutes in Bill 396; brewing, and the importation of Hops except in bags properly marked: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
to amend the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905
—(Mr. Keir Hardie); and the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion, and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 11, and the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Govee Roberts, Mr. Charles Dunce, Mr. Curran, Mr. Josef, Mr. Summerbell, and Mr. Tyron Wilson do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Keir Hardie accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Irish Land Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sitting of the House)—(Mr. Asquith); the House divided.

The Yeas are as follows:
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]
Yea: [Master of Elibank] 281.
Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Forster,]
No: [Mr. Pike Pease] 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Irish Land Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “this House, while willing to consider favourably proposals for expediting Land purchase in Ireland, and for relieving the ratepayers of their contingent liabilities for losses due on the flotation of Irish Land Stock, decline to proceed with a Bill which throws fresh obstacles in the way of the sale of holdings to their occupiers, and which increases the responsibilities already undertaken by the British Exchequer without conferring any corresponding benefit either on the tenant or owner of Irish Land”—(Mr. Wyndham), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 9th December 1908:
And the Question being put:
The House divided.

The Yeas are as follows:
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Pease,]
Tellers for the [Sir Alexander Astland-Hood,]
No: [Viscount Valentia] 82.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time. —The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Birrell.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the East India Loans Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Bill;
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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Buxton Charity Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Long Ashton Charity Bill;—Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Abbots Bromley Charity Bill;—Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners in the result of an Inquiry held in the County Borough of Exeter into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that county borough, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the books of the Charity Commissioners in the county borough; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of names and places mentioned in the Reports.—(Mr. Soares.)

Sir William Bromton Gardon reported from the Committee of Selection that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A. (in respect of the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords]):—Colonel Seely, and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the said Bill): Mr. Atherley-Jones.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Incest Bill, incest Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed; and that no Motions be made to bring in Bills under Standing Order No. 11,—(Mr. Asquith);—

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The House divided.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 31, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Radford.)

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House Member to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. Morton, Member for Sutherland, when seconding the Amendment, and directed the honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 28, by leaving out Clause 6.—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 3, by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "properly to regulate the flow of water over or through the weirs before or during flood-time or.”—(Mr. Joynson-Hicks.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 18, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "only," the words "dues on goods imported coastwise or exported coastwise shall in no case exceed one-fourth of the rate or dues charged on goods exported to or imported from places beyond the seas.”—(Mr. Renwick.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—

The Yeas were called for, and the Question resolved in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 54, l. 37, by inserting, after the word "Bill," the word "Order.”—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "Order" be there inserted in the Bill:—

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 45, l. 23, by leaving out Clause 58.—(Mr. Radford.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 53, l. 6, by inserting at the end thereof the words "All the meetings of the Port Authority shall be open to the public, unless otherwise determined by the majority of the members present and voting on that question."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the East India Loans Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hops Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Holt):—It passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being again proposed;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Appellate Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill;[No. 162.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lunacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Committee on the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Bills on the Post Office Sites (recommitted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Bill [Lords] Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Bill Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Irish Land Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trawling in Prohibited Areas Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempt of Court Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Bill (Ireland);

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Election of Aldermen in Municipal Boroughs Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Paving Expenses Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Operations and Engineering Works Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ball Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Long Ashton into a Committee on the Long Ashton Charity Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Abbots Bromley Charity Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) Bill (No. 2);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then twenty-nine minutes after Three of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
Thursday, 10th December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYSERS.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of the Chairman of Ways and Means from this day's Sitting.

Ordered, That the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Return under the Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1907, giving particulars of cases in which persons have been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 30th September 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Proceedings between the United Kingdom and Bulgaria, respecting Customs Duties supplementary to the Commercial Convention of 9th December 1905. Signed at Sofia, 13th November 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Motions for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 32 of Session 1907; and (2) in the Standing Committees, under the following heads:—

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(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Public Bills, a Return respecting application of Standing Order No. 26 (Closure of Debate) during Session 1908, (1) the House in and Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:—

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(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Public Bills, a Return of the number of Public Bills, introduced into this House or brought from the House of Lords during Session 1908, showing the number which received the Royal Assent; the number which were passed by this House but not by the House of Lords; the number passed by the House of Lords but not by this House; and distinguishing the stages at which such Bills as did not receive the Royal Assent were dropped or postponed and rejected in either House of Parliament (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.150 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Public Bills, a Return of the number of Public Petitions presented and printed in Session 1908, with the total number of signatures in that year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.152 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Select Committees, a Return of the number of Select Committees appointed in Session 1908 and the Court of Referees; the Subjects of inquiry; the names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and of the Chairman of each; the number of days each Committee sat, and the number of days each Member attended; the total expense of the attendance of Witnesses at each Select Committee, and the name of the Member who moved for such Select Committee; also the total number of Members who served on Select Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.149 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Standing Orders, a Return, for the Session of 1908, of (1) the Committee, total number and the names of all Members (including and distinguishing Chairmen) who have been appointed to serve on one or more of the four Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, showing, with regard to each of such Members, the number of Sittings at which he was present and the number of Divisions in which he took part; and (2) the number of Bills considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of days on which each Committee sat, and the names of all Bills considered by a Standing Committee, distinguishing where a Bill was a Government Bill or was brought from the House of Lords, and
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of days on which the House sat in Session 1908, stating for each day the date of the month and day of the week, the number of hours and minute of each hour of adjournment; and the total number of hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the average time; and showing the number of hours on which the House sat each day, and the number of hours after Eleven p.m.; and the number of entries in each day's Votes and Proceedings (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0148 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, with reference to Session 1908, (1) the number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence under the Standing Orders during the entire Sitting; (2) the number of Sittings on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at which precedence was given to Government Business up till 8.15 p.m. and to Private Members at 8.15 p.m. and the number of Sittings on Fridays at which Private Members had precedence under the Standing Orders; (3) the number of Sittings at which Government Business was given precedence under a Special Order of the House during the entire Sitting; (4) the number of Saturday Sittings; (5) the total number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence; (6) the total number of days on which the House sat; and (7) the number of days on which Supply was considered (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 324 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Mr. Tullmin reported from the Select Committee on Publications on Public Business that they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords] was referred, that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for further promoting the Revision of the Statute Law, without concurrence of the House.

The Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Local Lords to the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Lord Robert Cecil, supported by Mr. Rawlinson, presented a Bill to prevent the disturbance of Public Meetings: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Jesse Collings, supported by Sir Benjamin Stone, Mr. Ernest Lamb, Mr. Parker, Viscount Morpeth, Mr. Watt, Sir Francis Love, Earl 3rd have been referred to Committees and dropped during the Sittings of the Committee (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0147 of Session 1907).—(The Deputy Chairman.)
Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Coal Mines Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by inserting, after the word "mine," the words "in his place of work."—(Mr. Lupton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Lupton, Yeas, [Mr. Beck] 49.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Joseph Pease, Nos, [Master of Elithank] 225.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by inserting, after the word "work," the words "exceeding any periods of rest or refreshment duly authorized by the manager, not exceeding forty minutes in all."—(Mr. Lupton.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by inserting, after the word "manager," the words "at the request of the men."—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

And the Question being put, That the words "excluding any periods of rest or refreshment duly authorized by the manager, at the request of the men, not exceeding forty minutes in all," be inserted, after the word "work," in p. 1, l. 6 of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Lupton, Yeas, [Mr. Beck] 79.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Joseph Pease, Nos, [Master of Elithank] 258.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by leaving out from the second word "for" to the end of the subsection, and inserting the words "over forty-eight hours in one week"—(Mr. Watt).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "more than" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, [Master of Elithank] 225.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Watt, Nos, [Sir William Bull] 57.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by inserting at the end thereof the words "but this shall not apply to a new colliery being opened out until such colliery shall be in a working condition for the regular output of coal."—(Mr. Fell.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by inserting at the end thereof the words "The workmen in any mine may, by a majority of them signing a declaration to that effect, contract themselves out of this Act." Such declaration must be notified to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, and, one month after such notification, the provisions of this Act shall not apply in that mine."—(Mr. Riddell.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Riddell, Yeas, [Mr. Beck] 55.

Tellers for the:— Mr. Joseph Pease, Nos, [Master of Elithank] 232.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the East India Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Power to raise £20,000,000 for constructing, extending, and equipping railways in India, for constructing irrigation works, and for other purposes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the word "twenty," in order to insert the word "ten."—(Dr. Rutherford.)

Question, That the word "twenty" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, at the end, to insert the words "other than strategic."—(Dr. Rutherford.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "state," to insert the words "and in the better provision for third-class passengers, both as to carriages and waiting rooms."—(Dr. Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

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Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, at the end, to add the words—

"(5) in the provision of elementary schools in India;

(6) in sanitation in India;

(7) in the establishment of state agricultural banks."—

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, at the end, to add the words "and the rates charged for water supplied by an irrigation scheme shall not exceed such sum as would be represented by a sum equal to the amount necessary to repay in thirty years the capital employed in the undertaking, plus five per cent. thereof."—(Mr. Keir Hardie.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease, Yeas, ] Master of Elibank: 89.

Tellers for the Mr. Mackarness, 15.

Noes, ] Dr. Rutherford:

Clauses No. 4 to No. 7 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Mooney.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Crofters’ Commons Grazings Regulation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Sinclair.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Hope Bill, Committee on the Hope Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Appellate Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill Jurisdiction [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Bill Second Reading of the Lunacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Companies Committee on the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provisional Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons Bill Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ferries into consideration the Ferries (Ireland) Bill, as (Ireland) Bill, amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then seven minutes after One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London (Westminster and Kensington) Electric Supply Companies Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of Report on the Banking, Railway, and Shipping Statistics of Ireland for the half-year ended 30th June 1908.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations (Organisation for Unemployed) (Ireland), 1908, made under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Burns presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Circular issued to Local Pension Committees and Sub-Committees in England and Wales by the Local Government Board under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, dated 11th December 1908.

Mr. Burns also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of July last, for a Return relative to County and Borough Councils (Women Electors).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 10.

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 26).
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 13, by leaving out the words “During the three years after the commencement of this Act.”—(Mr. Beck.)

And the Question being put, That the words “During the” stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
| Master of Elibank |
| | Yea, | 207. |
| Tellers for the | Mr. Beck, |
| Noes, | Mr. Bowles |
| | 50. |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 13, by leaving out the word “three,” and inserting the word “five”—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “three” stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the word “five” be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
| Master of Elibank |
| | Yea, | 240. |
| Tellers for the | Mr. Hicks Beach, |
| Noes, | Mr. Renwick |
| | 47. |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 26, by inserting, after the word “workman,” the words “or person whose hours below ground are prescribed by this Act.”—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 2, by inserting, after the word “meeting,” the words “or preventing”—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 3, by leaving out from the word “danger” to the end of l. 7 of p. 2.—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “through,” in p. 2, l. 4, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 4, by leaving out the words “through unforeseen circumstances.”—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
| Master of Elibank |
| | Yea, | 262. |
| Tellers for the | Mr. Philip Magnus, |
| Noos, | Mr. Hicks Beach |
| | 33. |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 6, by leaving out the word “serious,” and inserting the word “substantial”—(Mr. Bowles),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word “serious” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 7, by leaving out the word “district,” and inserting the word “part”—(Sir Philip Magnus),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word “district” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 23, by leaving out the word “approved,” and inserting the words “not disapproved”—(Mr. Bowles),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word “approved” stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 29, by inserting the end thereof the words “or for the purpose of maintaining the safety of the mine or any part thereof, or of any person or persons employed therein.”—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 29, by inserting at the end thereof the words “or for the purpose of maintaining the safety of the mine or any part thereof, or of any person or persons employed therein.”—(Mr. Bowles.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 34, by leaving out the words “the judge of county courts for the district,” and inserting the words “a Judge of His Majesty’s High Court of Justice”—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Mr. Joseph Pease, |
| Master of Elibank |
| | Yea, | 205. |
| Tellers for the | Mr. Frederick Banbury, |
| Noos, | Mr. Bowles |
| | 44. |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 40, by leaving out the second word "or."—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

And the Question being put, That the second word "or," in p. 2, l. 40, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 6, by inserting, after the word "foreman," the word "engineman."—(Mr. Keir Hardie.)

And the Question being put, That the word "foreman," stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 25, by inserting at the end thereof the words "except in legal proceedings."—(Viscount Castlehurst.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 29, by inserting at the end thereof the words "unless it is proved that he wilfully prevented or attempted to prevent such workmen from observing the provisions of this Act, or failed to afford reasonable facilities for such observance."—(Mr. Clifford Cory.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 32, by inserting, after the word "mines," the words "or seams."—(Mr. Keir Hardie.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. F. Banbury; Mr. Joseph Pease; Master of Elibank): 20.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Joseph Pease; Master of Elibank): 88.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 13, by leaving out the words "sixty," and inserting the word "ninety"—(Mr. Lupton:—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "sixty," stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 3, by leaving out the words "or permits any person to contravene or fail to comply with,"—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 9, by leaving out from the word "offence" to the word "and," in l. 16, and inserting the words "unless it is proved that he wilfully prevented or attempted to prevent such workmen from observing the provisions of this Act, or failed to afford reasonable facilities for such observance."—(SIR CLIFFORD Cory.),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was not passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 34, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(2) This Act shall not apply to mines situate in the Forest of Dean."—(Mr. Hicks Becher.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time and then be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Hastings of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill.
The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 4, l. 10, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 10, leave out ("compulsory purchase"), and insert ("acquisition"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 11, leave out ("the Act of 1890"), and insert ("that Act"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 14, after ("Board"), insert—

("a) If land is not proposed to be taken compulsorily; or

(b) If, although land is proposed to be taken compulsorily, the Local Government Board, before making an absolute order, are satisfied that notice of the Draft or Provisional Order, as the case may be, has been served as required as respects a Provisional Order by subsection (five) of section eight of the Act of 1890, and also that the Draft or Provisional Order, as the case may be, has been published in the Dublin Gazette, and that a petition against it has not been presented to the Local Government Board by any owner of land proposed to be taken compulsorily within two months after the date of the publication and the service of notice, or, having been so presented, has been withdrawn,"

the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 20, after ("Board"), insert ("as the case may be"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 31, after ("published"), insert—

("(4) If an order of the Local Government Board, which, if no petition were presented, would take effect without confirmation, is petitioned against, the Local Government Board may, if it thinks fit, on the application of the local authority, make any modifications in the scheme to which the order relates for the purpose of meeting the objections of the petitioner, and original the order sanctioning the original scheme, substituting for it an order sanctioning the modified scheme.

(5) The same procedure shall be followed as to the publication and giving notices, and the same provisions shall apply as to the presentation of petitions and the effect of the order, in the case of the order sanctioning the modified scheme, as in the case of the order sanctioning the original scheme, but no petition shall be received or have any effect except one which was presented against the original order, or one which is concerned solely with the modifications made in the scheme as sanctioned by the new order.

(6) The provisions of this section shall extend to orders of the Local Government Board made after the passing of this Act upon petitions of local authorities presented before the passing of this Act"), the next Amendment, being read a second time; the Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to insert subsections (4) and (5) was disagreed to.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to insert subsection (6) was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 7, l. 11, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 7, l. 11, after ("woods"), insert—

("(4) Provided that nothing in this Act shall authorise the appropriation or utilisation for the purposes of the Act of any common or commonable land, or any recreation ground, village green, or other open space dedicated to the use of the public, or any disused burial ground, or any land held on trusts which prohibit building thereon, or held in trust for some charitable purpose, or for some particular public purpose specified or defined, as distinguished from the general purposes of a municipality or township, or the general benefit or advantage of the inhabitants thereof"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the word "Act," and inserting the word "section" instead thereof; and by leaving out from the word "ground," in l. 5, to the end of the Amendment.—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 7, l. 15, after ("1890"), insert ("of any town the population of which according to the last census exceeds two thousand"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Hugh Barrie, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Mooney, and Mr. Thomas O'Connor.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee: And they are to withdraw immediately.—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The East India Loans Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lunacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Post Office Sites (recommittted) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustee) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That the Contract, dated the 12th day of October 1908, between His Majesty's Postmaster General and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the conveyance of Mails between Liverpool and Hong Kong be approved. —(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then Ten of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 14th December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Ordered, That the Return relative to County and Borough Councils (Women Electors), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant December, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Haldane presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations for the Army Reserve (including Special Reserve).

Copy of further Regulations for the Territorial Force.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census of Production Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and France respecting the exchange of Post Office Money Orders between France and the Transvaal. Signed at London, 25th January 1908. Ratifications exchanged at London, 30th November 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 589 (British Guiana, Report for 1907-8).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Labourers (Ireland) Acts, a Return showing the number of Appeals under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts to the County Courts since the 1st day of November 1906, and setting forth the same in respect to each rural district affected, the number of cottages and plots being the subject-matter of such Appeals, how many were approved, and how many disallowed on appeal.—(Mr. Kendal O'Brien.)

Mr. Attorney General for Ireland reported Housing of the Working Classes Bill,

Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill; That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 4, ls 10 and 14, for the following Reason:—Because it is undesirable to restrict the operation of an Order of the Local Government Board under the Clause.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 7, l. 15, for the following Reason:—Because it is undesirable to limit the powers of dealing with unhealthy dwelling—houses to towns whose population exceeds two thousand.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on any Private Business of Business set down for consideration at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be entered upon at any hour, and be not interrupted under any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House.—(Mr. Asquith.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Coal Mines Third Reading of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (Ireland) Bill; (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day three months.”—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease,

Tellers for the Lord Robert Cecil,

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the London Electric Supply Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (for the protection of the Admiralty and the Royal Observatory).

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (For the protection of the City of London).—(Mr. Morton.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the  Mr. Morton, 
Yeas,  { Mr. Claude Hay: }  28.
Tellers for the  Mr. Dickinson, 
Noes,  { Sir Edwin Cornwall: }  198.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Restrictions as to increasing charges after notice to purchase)—(Mr. Churchill)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 9, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and the provisions of this subsection shall extend and apply to the London County Council as if they were a local authority."—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by adding at the end thereof the words "without prejudice to the rights, powers, and privileges of any local authority."—(Mr. Fletcher.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added to the said proposed Amendment;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the  Mr. Fletcher, 
Yeas,  { Mr. Claude Hay: }  43.
Tellers for the  Mr. Stephen Collins, 
Noes,  { Mr. Wiles: }  192.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 29, by leaving out the words "six pounds and fifteen," and inserting the words "four pounds and ten"—(Mr. Bertram Straus)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 30, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

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"In the event of the Council purchasing an undertaking (or part of an undertaking) in pursuance of powers transferred to or conferred upon them under this section the following provisions shall have effect:

The Council and any local authority who, before the passing of this Act, were empowered to purchase such undertaking (or part of an undertaking) may, with the approval of the Board of Trade, enter into and carry into effect an agreement or agreements for the purchase by such local authority from the Council of so much of the distributing system comprised in such undertaking (or part of an undertaking) as may be situate within and used for the supply of the district of such local authority, and as from the date of the purchase effected under any such agreement all such powers as may have been vested in the Council with regard to such system (or part of a system), and the distribution of electrical energy thereby, shall be vested in such local authority, and shall be exercisable by them in lieu of and in substitution for the Council, and shall cease to be exercisable by the Council."

—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 30, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"The Council and any local authority having an electrical undertaking which is being carried on in competition with the undertaking (or part of an undertaking) purchased by the Council as aforesaid may, with the approval of the Board of Trade, enter into and carry into effect an agreement or agreements for the purchase by the Council of the electrical undertaking of such local authority, or any part thereof, and upon any such agreement being entered into all such powers as may have been exercisable by such local authority in regard to their electrical undertaking, or so much thereof as may by be purchased by the Council, shall be vested in the Council, and shall be exercisable by them in lieu of and in substitution for such local authority, and shall cease to be exercisable by such local authority. In the event of no such agreement being arrived at the Council or such local authority may appeal to the Board of Trade, who may make such order as, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, may appear to them to be expedient."

—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 30, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"In the event of any purchase under the provisions of this section taking place the Board of Trade may, by Order, modify or adjust the powers exercisable by the Council or any local authority in such manner as may appear expedient, and do anything which appears to them to be necessary to enable the provisions of this section to be carried into effect, and any such Order may modify any provisions of any Act or Provisional Order confirmed by Parliament."—(Mr. Walter Guinness.)
The Order of the day being read, for taking 14th December.

Children Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill.

In the Committee,

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Appellate Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords].—Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Post Office Savings Bank (Public Post Office Trustees) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow. —(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office Consolidation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Post Office Sites Bill (recommitted) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 13 agreed to. Preamble agreed to. Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Lunacy Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow. —(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] was according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ferries (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Seventh Annual Report by the Board of Trade as to the condition and working of the Banavie and Mallaig Railway, the rates and charges for traffic, and the receipts and expenditure of any company in working the railway, for the year 1907–8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty’s East India Command,—Copy of full text of the Indian Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders, as Standing amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Incest Bill, Lords to the Incest Bill be taken into con- sideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Children Bill, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill.

The Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amend- ment in p. 17, l. 21, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 17, l. 21, leave out from (“purpose”) to the end of the sub- section, and insert (“Provided that such persons shall be either inspectors or assistant inspectors of reformatory and industrial schools, members of the medical profession, or persons of expe- rience in the management and training of children”), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Herbert Samuel);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

 Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Herbert Lewis: 198.
 Tellers for the Noes, Sir George Croft: 41.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 30, l. 17, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And a consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in p. 30, l. 20, by inserting at the end thereof the words “Provided that a child shall not be treated as coming within the description contained in paragraph (f) if the only common or reputed prostitute whose company the child frequents is the mother of the child, and she exercises proper guardianship and due care to protect the child from contamination.”—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 50, l. 2, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 50, l. 2, leave (Special out from ("pay") to the end of the Clause, being entered) read a second time (and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to correct an error in the Bill), the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 51, l. 28, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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Another consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in p. 61, l. 28, by inserting, after the word "coming," the words "or as being a person who, if a child would come." — (Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 65, l. 9, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Another consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in p. 65, l. 15, by leaving out the words "to be." — (Sir Henry Craik.)

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 65, l. 32, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 65, l. 32, after Clause 119, insert new Clause B (Exclusion of children from bars of licensed premises)—

(1) The holder of the licence of any licensed premises shall not allow a child to be at any time in the bar of the licensed premises, except during the hours of closing:

(2) If the holder of a licence acts in contravention of this section, or if any person causes or procures, or attempts to cause or procure, any child to go to or to be in the bar of any licensed premises, except during the hours of closing, he shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding, in respect of the first offence, forty shillings, and in respect of any subsequent offence, five pounds:

(3) If a child is found in the bar of any licensed premises, except during the hours of closing, the holder of the licence shall be deemed to have committed an offence under this section, unless he shows that he has used due diligence to prevent the child being admitted to the bar:

(4) Nothing in this section shall apply in the case of a child who is resident but not employed in the licensed premises, or in the case of premises constructed, fitted, and intended to be used in good faith for any purpose to which the holding of a licence is merely auxiliary:

(5) In this section the bar of licensed premises means any open drinking bar or any part of the premises exclusively or mainly used for the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquor, and the expressions 'licence' and 'licensed premises' have the same meaning as in the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906."

the next Amendment, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 1, by leaving out subsection (1).—(Mr. Fell.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "to," in l. 2, stand part of the Lords' Amendment:—The said proposed Amendment to the Lords' Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "child," the words "unless in the charge of a parent or adult relative, or person acting in the place of a parent."—(Mr. Fell.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Lords' Amendment:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Fell.

Yeas,

Sir Frederick Beaufort

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Peace,

Noes,

Master of Eltham

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 3, by inserting at the end thereof the words "or, for the purpose of fetching intoxicating liquor for consumption off the premises, subject to the provisions of the Intoxicating Liquor (Sale to Children) Act, 1901."—(Mr. Whitbread.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Lords' Amendment:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Whitbread.

Yeas,

Mr. Cave

Tellers for the Master of Eltham,

Noes,

Mr. Herbert Lewis

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word "licence," the words "knowingly."—(Mr. Cave.)

And the Question being put, That the word "knowingly" be there inserted in the Lords' Amendment:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Whitbread.

Yeas,

Mr. Cave

Tellers for the Master of Eltham,

Noes,

Mr. Herbert Lewis

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 5, by inserting, at the end thereof the words "or that the child was apparently a person over the age of fourteen;" in l. 15, by inserting, after the word "apply," the words "in the case of any child of the licence-holder or;" in l. 17, by inserting, after the word "premises," the words "or who is in the bar of licensed premises solely for the purpose of passing through in order to obtain access to some other part of the premises, not being a bar, where there is no other convenient means of access to that part of the premises;" and in l. 18, by inserting, after the word "of," the words "railway refreshment rooms or other."—(Mr. Herbert Samuel.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment (as amended), in l. 22, by leaving out the words "or any part of the premises."—(Sir Daniel Goddard.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Lords' Amendment, as amended:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Peace.

Yeas,

Master of Eltham

Tellers for the Sir Daniel Goddard,

Noes,

Mr. Whitbread

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment (as amended), in l. 22, by leaving out the words "or any part of the premises."—(Sir Daniel Goddard.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Lords' Amendment, as amended:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment (as amended), in l. 23, by inserting, after the word "licens," the words "but does not mean any bar in a room.
usually used for the supply of meals."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Lords' Amendment, as amended;

The House divided.

The Yeas were as follows:

Tellers for the Mr. Rawlinson.

Mr. Gretton: 31.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Pease.

Master of Elibank: 182.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment (as amended), by adding at the end thereof the words—

"(6) These provisions shall not apply to the holder of a licence of any licensed premises otherwise than in any urban area."

—(Colonel Words.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added in the Lords' Amendment, as amended—It passed in the Negative.

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 68, Is. 1 and 2, leave out ("Before making any order under this Act with respect to ") and insert ("Where a person is convicted before any court, whether charged with an offence or not, and it appears to the court that he is "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, by inserting, after the word "person," the words "whether charged with an offence or not," and by leaving out the words "whether charged with an offence or not," and inserting the words "otherwise than for the purpose of giving evidence "—(Mr. Herbert Samuel)—instead thereof.

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 73, l. 34, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 73, l. 34, after ("1890 ") insert ("Provided that, in the case of a royal parliamentary or police burgh, the expression 'police authority,' where occurring in section fifty-eight and in section one hundred and twenty of this Act, means the town council "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "and provided further that, where in any such burgh expenses chargeable to the police fund or as part of the current expenses of a police authority would, under the existing law, be payable out of the burgh general assessment, expenses so chargeable under the provisions of this Act shall be defrayed as expenses incurred by a town council under section seventy-four of this Act."—(The Lord Advocate.)

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 74, l. 5, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 74, l. 5, after ("1864 "), insert ("and the reference to the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, as a reference to the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 1903, provided that the expression 'holder of a licence' means holder of a certificate under the last-mentioned Act "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Another Amendment was made to the Bill, instead of the words so disagreed to, by inserting, in p. 74, l. 5, after "1864," the words "and references in section one hundred and nineteen and section one hundred and twenty to a licence, to licensed premises, and to intoxicating liquor, respectively, as references to a certificate, to certified premises, and to excisable liquor, within the meaning of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 1903."—(The Lord Advocate.)

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 77, l. 8, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 77, l. 8, after ("Scotland "), insert as a new subsection—

"(24) Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, nothing in this Act shall be construed to repeal, alter, prejudice, or affect any of the provisions of the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, as a reference to the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, (hereinafter referred to as the Glasgow Acts), and the Commissioners and the directors acting under the Glasgow Acts shall continue to have the full rights, privileges, and powers at present competent to them: Provided, nevertheless, that the Secretary for Scotland may, by order under his hand, provide for altering, amending, or adapting the Glasgow Acts so as to provide (a) for the retiral of the existing directors, for the reconstitution of the board of directors, for the election of new directors, for subsequent elections of directors, for the annual retiral of one-third or other proportion of the directors, and for supplying vacancies arising from time to time; or (b) for authorising the said directors to give any evidence, and also providing that the provisions of this Act, or to enable the powers under the Glasgow Acts to be exercised as if they were powers under this Act. Any such order may be revoked and varied by a subsequent order:

(25) The immediately preceding subsection shall apply to the Aberdeen Reformatories and Industrial Schools Act, 1885, as if it were herein re-enacted with the omission of the provisions thereof under the headings (b), (c), and (d), and with the substitution of the last-mentioned Act for the Glasgow Acts, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, in l. 14, by inserting at the end thereof the words "(b) for the assessment authorized to be levied under the Glasgow Acts being levied in the same manner as assessments for the expenses of a town council for the purposes of section seventy-four of this Act, instead of as in the Glasgow Acts provided, and for the reduction of the maximum amount thereof, if thought proper, and for the application of the said assessments."—(The Lord Advocate.)

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 78, l. 31, leave out ("thirteen "), and insert ("fourteen "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Lords' Amendment in p. 79, l. 8, after (“apply”), insert the following new subsection—

“(17) The exemptions from Part I. of this Act contained in section eleven thereof shall extend to any person who undertakes for reward the nursing and maintenance of such infants only as are boarded out with him by some religious or charitable society or institution approved by the Local Government Board for Ireland, (the second time;)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 3, by inserting, after the word “infants,” the words “or infant.” —(Mr. Power.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Lords' Amendment — The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Lords' Amendment was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 82, l. 20, after (“evidence”), insert as a new subsection—

“(30) The provisions of section one hundred and twenty of this Act (relative to the exclusion of children from bars of licensed premises) shall not apply in the case of any child going to or being upon licensed premises if a substantial part of the business carried on upon the premises is a drapery, grocery, hardware, or other business wholly unconnected with the sale of intoxicating liquor, and the child, or the person (if any) in whose custody the child is, goes to or is upon the premises for the purpose of purchasing goods other than intoxicating liquor; and the reference in the said section to the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, shall be construed as a reference to the Licensing (Ireland) Acts, 1833 to 1905.” —(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The proposed Amendment to the Bill was amended, in l. 8, by inserting, after the word "liquor,” the words “for consumption on the premises.” —(Mr. Hugh Law.)

And the Question being put, That the words—

“(30) The provisions of section one hundred and twenty of this Act (relative to the exclusion of children from bars of licensed premises) shall not apply in the case of any child going to or being upon licensed premises if a substantial part of the business carried on upon the premises is a drapery, grocery, hardware, or other business wholly unconnected with the sale of intoxicating liquor, and the child, or the person (if any) in whose custody the child is, goes to or is upon the premises for the purpose of purchasing goods other than intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises; and the reference in the said section to the Licensing Acts, 1828 to 1906, shall be construed as a reference to the Licensing (Ireland) Acts, 1833 to 1905” be there inserted in the Bill;

The House proceeded to a Division.
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 93 agreed to.

Clause No. 94 disagreed to.

Clause No. 95 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 96 to No. 101 agreed to.

Clause No. 102 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 103 to No. 203 agreed to.

Clause No. 204 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 205 to No. 274 agreed to.

Clause No. 275 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 276 to No. 295 agreed to.

Clause No. 296 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Power of companies incorporated in British possessions to hold land)—(Mr. Churchill)—brought up, and read the first and second time; and added to the Bill.

Schedule 1 amended, and agreed to.

Schedule 2 agreed to.

Schedule 3 amended, and agreed to.

Schedule 4 agreed to.

Schedule 5 amended, and agreed to.

Schedule 6 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Then the Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 16, after Clause 4, insert Clause A (Admission of the public)—

"(A) Nothing in this Act shall be construed so as to prohibit a local authority from admitting the public to its meetings, and, subject to the accommodation available, the public shall have the right of admission to meetings of local authorities at all times when the press is admitted to such meetings under this Act," the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, by leaving out from the word "meetings," in l. 2, to the end of the Lords' Amendment.—(Mr. Harmood-Banner.)

Then the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

And the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment to one of them; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords] (not amended in the Standing Committee).

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Hops Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Herbert Samuel reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Children Bill; That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 17, l. 21, because they think that the Secretary of State should have full powers to avail himself of the services of officers whose experience would render them well qualified to act as inspectors of children’s homes.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 79, l. 8, because they think that the powers of exemption possessed by local authorities are sufficient.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the said Reasons, being read a second time, to the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then half past Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the Commons to agree; and Amendments: And that the Clerk do carry the said Reasons accordingly, which they directed him to prepare to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments) to the House.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then half an hour after Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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Wednesday, 16th December 1908.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Runge presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report on the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Royal Colleges of Science and Art, the Geological Survey and Museum, and on the work of the Solar Physics Committee, for the year 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Diagram indicating, up to the estimated area of Lands in respect of which proceedings had been instituted and were pending for sale under the Irish Land Purchase Acts; also the estimated area of Lands in respect of which proceedings for sale had not been instituted on that date under the said Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for War, showing the number and amount of Seamen’s Money Orders issued and paid at Ports in the United Kingdom and at Ports Abroad from 1855 to 31st March 1908; also Statement showing the receipts and payments in connection with the Transmission of Seamen’s Wages, Home and Foreign, from 1878 to 31st March 1908.

Account of the sums received and paid by Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen in the year ended 31st March 1908.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the Census of directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Trade under the Census Acts, 1880, and 1881, showing the number and amount of Seamen’s Wages.

Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen’s Savings Banks Savings Banks under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 20th November 1907, and of the interest thereon; Statement of Wages showing the number and amount of Seamen’s Wages.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen, Seamen’s Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages), and the General Lighthouse Fund be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to Mr. Birrell and—to Mr. Churchill an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant December, for Returns relative to Paper and to Paper and to Paper and Dependants (Scotland).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the fiscal advantages to the foreign countries at present given by France, Germany, Spain, Portugal, the Netherlands, and the United States to goods imported from their Colonial Possessions, and, conversely, by the said Colonial Possessions to goods from their mother country.—(Mr. Mitchell-Thomson.)

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Mr. Buchanan reported from the Select Committee on the House of Commons (Admission of Strangers) that they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

No. 371. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Henry Joseph Wilson reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions: That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 30th days of November last, and the 1st, 2nd, 6th, 9th, 10th and 11th days of this instant December, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Masterman reported from the Select Committee on the Application of Sinking Funds in exercise of Borrowing Powers: That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report to the House, with a recommendation that a Committee on the same subject should be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Alfred Jacoby reported from the Select Committee on the House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms): That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—The Lords have agreed to the Ards Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House, and do not insist on their remaining Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Prevention of Crime Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Education (Scotland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Perth Corporation Order Confirmation Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Reports of the Public Accounts Committee be now taken into consideration (Colonel Williams):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself in Committee on the Constabulary (Ireland) (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Appellate Jurisdiction (Ireland) Bill (Lords).

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Education (Scotland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the House of Commons (Admission of Strangers) Bill (Lords), be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Prevention of Crime Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Perth Corporation Order Confirmation Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ards Railway Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lunacy Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Extent and adoption of Part I. of Act).—(Mr. Birrell.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Inspection of meat killed outside towns)—(Mr. Moorey) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, 1. 7, by leaving out Clause 1.—(Mr. Hugh Barrie.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "person," in p. 1, 1. 7, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1. 6, by leaving out the words "and section seventeen (which relates to power of entry)."—(Mr. Cooper.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, 1. 20, by inserting, after the word "dispute," the words "by arbitration."—(Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, 1. 9, by leaving out Clause 19.—(Mr. Cullinan.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Commons Bill [Lords] was, according to Commons Bill Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.
—Sir Edward Strachey.)

Insect Bill.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Insect Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Public Meeting Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.
—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Meeting Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then eighteen minutes after Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 168.]
Thursday, 17th December 1908.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 23rd day of July last, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ards Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Perth Corporation Order Confirmation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Return relative to Scottish Local Authorities (Deputation Expenses). No. 374

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Com-Agricultural Amand.—Copy of Return of Prices of Crops, Live Stock, and other Irish Agricultural Products for 1907-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's East India Command, — Copy of Vol. I. Proposals of the Advisory and Government of India, and Despatch of the Legislative Secretary of State, relative to Advisory and Legislative Councils, &c. in India.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Robert Harcourt, supported by Mr. Alfred Theatres Bill.
Mason, Mr. Ponsonby, Sir Gilbert Parker, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, and Mr. Ramsey Macdonald, presented a Bill to abolish the powers of the Lord Chamberlain in respect of Stage Plays, and to transfer to the Local Authority the powers of the Lord Chamberlain in respect of the licensing of Theatres in London: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Constabulary (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Poisons and Pharmacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Commons Bill into a Committee on the Commons Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Chauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House with the contents of the Amendment, by leaving out the word “material,” and inserting the word “distress” in its place. —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And notice being taken that the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. Secretary Gladstone, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Education (Scotland) Bill.

The said Amendments being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendments, in p. 16, l. 2, in p. 16, l. 41, and in p. 20, l. 5, was to define more clearly the intentions of the Commons, the said Amendments were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Prevention of Crime Bill; and the same were (twice read, and) agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill.

The Lords’ Amendment in pp. 1 and 2, leave out Clauses 1 and 2, and insert new Clauses—

(‘A) Under-tenant or lodger, if distress levied, to make declaration that immediate tenant has no property in goods distrained;

(B) Penalty;

(C) Payments by under-tenant or lodger to superior landlord;

(D) Exclusion of certain goods;

(E) Exclusion of certain under-tenants;

(F) To avoid distress;

(G) Commencement of Act;

(H) Repeal of 34 & 35 Vict. c. 79;

(I) Definitions;

(K) Act not to extend to Scotland.

The first Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords’ Amendment, in Clause A, l. 36, by leaving out the word “material.” —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the word “material” stand part of the Lords’ Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords’ Amendment, in Clause 3, l. 8, by inserting, after the word “aforesaid,” the words “as comprised in such inventory.” —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Lords’ Amendment:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords’ Amendment, in Clause E, l. 1, by inserting, after the word “under-tenant,” the words “or lodger.” —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words “or lodger” be there inserted in the Lords’ Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the Lords’ Amendment was amended, in Clause E, l. 4, by leaving out from the word “tenant” to the end of the Clause —(Mr. Courthope); in Clause E, l. 4, by leaving out the words “whether by name or not”—(Mr. Sydney Buxton); and in Clause G, l. 2, by leaving out the word “January,” and inserting the word “July”—(Mr. Courthope),—instead thereof.

And the Lords’ Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords’ Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Meeting Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Persons endeavouring to break up public meetings to be guilty of an offence; penalty and mode of recovery of fines).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word “war”—“to insert the words “of either sex.”—(Mr. Radford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word “war” to insert the words “held after the 31st day of December 1908.”—(Mr. Radford.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Then the Lords’ Amendment was amended, in Clause G, l. 3, by leaving out the words “whether by name or not”—(Mr. Sydney Buxton); and in Clause G, l. 2, by leaving out the word “January,” and inserting the word “July”—(Mr. Courthope),—instead thereof.

And the Lords’ Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords’ Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Meeting Bill.

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word “war” to insert the words “held after the 31st day of December 1908.”—(Mr. Radford.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, and in consideration of the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Hops Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharget.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Reason assigned by the Lords for insisting on one of their Amendments to the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill to which this House hath disagreed, the Lords' Amendments to the Bill in lieu of one of their Amendments to which this House hath disagreed, and the Lords' Amendments to certain of the Commons' Amendments to the Lords' Amendments be now taken into consideration.—

(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Reason and Amendments into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on their disagreement to the Amendment made by the Lords, on which the Lords have insisted, and doth agree to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order made upon the 10th day of February last, That the Thames Conservancy Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports
His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic
and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4174
and 4175.

Copy of Exchange of Notes between the Treaty Series
United Kingdom and France, renewing for a Part II., Replies of the Local Governments,
period of five years the Arbitration &c.; Enclosures I. Agreements signed at London, 14th October
February last, That the Thames Conservancy
1903 (Treaty Series, No. 18, 1903); 14th
Bill.  further period of five years the Arbitration
Order, dated the 30th day of October
Agreements signed at London, 14th October
1908. (No. 54, 1908.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, — Return to an Merchant
Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Shipping
Return relative to Merchant Shipping, 1897.

Steel, 1907. No. 376.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Iron and
July last, for a Return relative to Iron and Steel, 1907.

No. 376.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Coal Tables,
July last, for a Return relative to Coal Tables, 1907.

No. 377.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Tea and
July last, for a Return relative to Tea and Coffee, 1908.

Coffee, 1908.

No. 378.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's East India
Command,—Copy of Vol. I., Part I., Replies
of the Local Governments, &c.; Enclosures I. to
Advisory an
XX. to Letter from the Government of Legislative
India, No. 21, dated 1st October 1908. Vol. II.,
Councils, &c.
Part II., Replies of the Local Governments, &c.; Enclosures XXI. to XXX. to Letter from the Government of India, No. 21, dated 1st October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented.—Return to Private
an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant
December, for a Return relative to Private
Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

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[No. 169.]

Friday, 18th December 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Edinburgh and Leith Corporations Edinburgh
Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was
according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order made upon the 10th day of February last, That the Thames Conservancy Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn. —(The Deputy Chairman.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Trade Reports
His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic
and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 4174
and 4175.

Copy of Exchange of Notes between the Treaty Series
United Kingdom and France, renewing for a Part II., Replies of the Local Governments,
period of five years the Arbitration &c.; Enclosures I. Agreements signed at London, 14th October
February last, That the Thames Conservancy
Bill.  further period of five years the Arbitration
Order, dated the 30th day of October
Agreements signed at London, 14th October
1903 (Treaty Series, No. 18, 1903); 14th
Order, dated the 30th day of
1908. (No. 54, 1908.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Churchill presented, — Return to an Merchant
Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Shipping
Return relative to Merchant Shipping, 1897.

No. 375.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Iron and
July last, for a Return relative to Iron and Steel, 1907.

Steel, 1907.

No. 376.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Coal Tables,
July last, for a Return relative to Coal Tables, 1907.

No. 377.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of Tea and
July last, for a Return relative to Tea and Coffee, 1908.

Coffee, 1908.

No. 378.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Buchanan presented, by His Majesty's East India
Command,—Copy of Vol. I., Part I., Replies
of the Local Governments, &c.; Enclosures I. to
Advisory an
XX. to Letter from the Government of Legislative
Councils, &c.
Part II., Replies of the Local Governments, &c.; Enclosures XXI. to XXX. to Letter from the Government of India, No. 21, dated 1st October 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented.—Return to Private
an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant
December, for a Return relative to Private
Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

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No. 379.
Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Departmental Committee appointed to inquire into the operation of the Law relating to Inebriates, and to their detention in Reformatory and Retreats. Report, Minutes of Evidence, with Appendices and Indexes.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Rules proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the Prisons Acts, 1877 and 1898, with respect to the constitution of the Visiting Committee of Carmarthen Prison.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Prisons (England and Wales) be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports from Universities and University Colleges in Great Britain participating in the Parliamentary Grant in the year 1906-7.

Mr. Runciman also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the expenditure to which, and the manner in which, local authorities in England and in Wales have applied funds for the purposes of Education other than elementary during the year 1906-7.

Mr. Seely presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report, No. 590 (Grenada, Annual Report for 1907).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Handbook to the Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Vol. IV. (1901 to 1907), with Index, comprehending the four Vols. (1857 to 1907).—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Mr. Hobhouse accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, after l. 13, insert—
("By the Kent County Council, 1;"
"By the Essex County Council, 1),"
the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendments in p. 6, l. 29, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 29, after ("requisite"), insert as a new subsection—
("(c) Nothing in this Act shall authorises the appropriation or the utilisation for the purposes of this Act of any common or com¬
monable land, or any recreation ground, village green, or other open space dedicated to the use of the public, or any disused burial ground, fuel or other allotments, or any land held on trust which prohibit building thereon").

the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

An Amendment was made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 29, instead of the words so left out, by inserting, after the word "requisite," the words "(c) Nothing in this section shall, without the consent of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, authorise the acquisition of any common or com-
monable land, or any recreation ground, village green, or other open space dedicated to the use of the public, or any disused burial ground."—
(Sir Hudson Keatey.)

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And a Committee was appointed Mr. Burns, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Churchill, Sir Hudson Keatey, and Mr. Frederick Edwin Smith.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee: And they are to withdraw imme-
diately.—(Sir Hudson Keatey.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords agree to certain of the Amend-Children Bill.-ments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill, and agree to one other of the said Amendments, with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; they agree to the consequential Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, and do not insist on their Amendments to which this House hath disagreed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Children Bill, Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Children Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow, Sittings of at Twelve of the clock.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to the Lords to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill, without any Amendment, and disagree to one of the said Amendments, but propose an Amendment in lieu thereof, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 19, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 19, leave out "(during the five years after the commencement of this Act ")", the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Keir Hardie)—: It passed in the Negative.

And the Lords' Amendment was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, l. 11, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 11, leave out from "("operation") to "("on"), in l. 12, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, and agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

And the House was directed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Enoch Edwards, Mr. Secretary Gladstone, Mr. Herbert Samuel, Mr. Solicitor General, and Lord Edmund Talbot.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee; And they are to withdraw immediately.—(Mr. Secretary Gladstone.)

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Law of Distress Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Buxton Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Long Ashton Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Abbot's Bromley Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Post Office Savings Bank (Public Trustees) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the East India Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Constabulary (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Water of Leith Purification and Sewerage Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Companies Consolidation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Poisons and Pharmacies Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Criminal Appeal (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Appeals and Quarter Sessions Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Appointments to the Local Authorities (Admission of the Press) Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate the Enactments relating to Agricultural Holdings in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Ordered, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 6, l. 13, to leave out "January," and insert "July," for the following Reason:—Because they think that it is inexpedient to defer the operation of the Bill to so late a date as the 1st of July 1910.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then sixteen minutes after Seven of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Saturday, 19th December 1908.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Proceedings of the Departmental Committee on the Truck Acts. Vol. I., Report; Vol. II., Minutes of Evidence (Days 1-37); Vol. III., Minutes of Evidence (Days 38-66) and Index.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gladstone presented, by His Truck Acts Departmental Committee. Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on the Truck Acts. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That as regards Provisional Order to be assigned, to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Port of London Bill; that they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 2, and l. 13, for the following Reason:—Because it is inexpedient to introduce the principle of sectional representation into the riparian counties.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Public Meeting Bill, with an Amendment.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Port of London Bill, to which this House hath disagreed.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Lords' Amendment to the Public Meeting Bill be now taken into consideration—(Lord Robert Cecil);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Morton.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Hemmerde,

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Charles Duncan:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Lords' Amendment be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Lords' Amendment into consideration.

The Lords' Amendment being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Lord Robert Cecil);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Byles:]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. William Thorne:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Resolved, That this House do meet on Monday next, at Two of the clock.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Provisional Orders Procedure Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 31st day of July last, it being then thirteen minutes after Two of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 21st December 1908.

The House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.


Sir Edward Strachey also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated the 16th day of December 1908, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Prohibition of Importation of Bushes) Amendment Order of 1908 (No. 2).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Buchanan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in India, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 30th September 1908, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of the termination of each Loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year: stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of Parliamentary Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1908, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto; 28th Parliament, Third Session, 8th Edward VII., 29th January 1908 to 21st December 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments Coal Mines to the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill (Eight Hours) (No. 2) Bill, to which this House hath disagreed.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Royal Anson, Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.
Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commissions, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords thereby authorised declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

2. Local Registration of Title (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1908.
3. lunacy Act, 1908.
5. Punishment of Incest Act, 1908.
7. Local Authorities (Admission of the Press to Meetings) Act, 1908.
9. Commons Act, 1908.
10. Education (Scotland) Act, 1908.
15. East India Loans Act, 1908.
17. Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1908.
18. Assizes and Quarter Sessions Act, 1908.
19. Crofters' Commons Grazings Regulation Act, 1908.
22. Port of London Act, 1908.
25. Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.
27. Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1908.
28. Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1908.
29. Public Meeting Act, 1908.
30. Buxton Congregational Chapel Scheme Confirmation Act, 1908.
31. Long Ashton Congregational Chapel Scheme Confirmation Act, 1908.
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33. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Cornwall, &c.) Act, 1908.
34. Kirkcaldy and Dysart Water Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
35. North British Railway Order Confirmation Act, 1908.
37. Post Office (Sites) Act, 1908.
40. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1908.
41. Liverpool Corporation (Streets and Buildings) Act, 1908.
42. Ards Railways Act, 1908.
43. London Electric Supply Act, 1908.

And afterwards His Majesty's Most Gracious King's Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor (in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands), as followeth:

Mr. Speaker, I was much gratified at receiving last May an official visit from the President of the French Republic on the occasion of the Franco-British Exhibition in London. The reception given to M. Fallières by the citizens of London afforded a renewed proof of the cordial feelings entertained in this country towards the French nation.

The recent visit of the King and Queen of Sweden gave great pleasure to the Queen and myself, and will confirm the traditions of friendship which happily exist between the two countries.

My relations with Foreign Powers continue to be friendly.

During the past year several important Agreements with Foreign Governments have been concluded, which, by eliminating causes of contention, must tend to the consolidation of peace.

Amongst these may be mentioned Treaties with the United States of America for general arbitration, and for regulating certain questions between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada; and the Agreement for the maintenance of the existing territorial status in the regions bordering on the North Sea.

A Convention has been signed by the Representatives of my Government and of the other States, parties to the International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works, consolidating and revising the Berne Convention and the additional Act of Paris. The amended Convention, which will need legislation to give effect to it, will be examined by a Committee before I decide upon its ratification. Papers will be laid before you.

Certain events have recently occurred calculated to disturb the provisions of the Treaty of Berlin in the Balkan peninsula; but there is reason to hope that wise and conciliatory counsels will prevail, and that an amicable settlement will be reached with the consent of the Powers who are parties to the Treaty.

Since I last addressed you the Belgian Government have notified the assumption by Belgium of the sovereignty of the Independent State of the Congo. My Government are at present discussing with the Government of Belgium the conditions by which the provisions of the Treaties affecting the territory in question will be safeguarded, when the transfer has been recognised.

I have appointed Commissioners to attend the International Conference which is to meet at Shanghai in February to investigate the opium trade and opium habit in the Far East, and to offer suggestions for the measures which the Powers concerned may adopt for the gradual suppression of the cultivation, traffic, and use of opium within their Eastern possessions, with a
view to assisting China in her purpose of eradicating the opium trade in the Chinese Empire.

A Conference of the principal Naval Powers is at present sitting in London, on the invitation of my Government, with a view to declaring and formulating rules on certain questions affecting the conduct of naval warfare as will, it is hoped, command general assent.

The raids of certain tribes on the North-West Frontier of India rendered military operations necessary for the protection of my subjects and the punishment of the offenders. These operations were skilfully devised and successfully conducted by all concerned.

The famine that unhappily prevailed over parts of India was met by the people with great courage and self-reliance, and the efforts of my officers to relieve suffering and restore prosperity were effective and unremitting.

I deeply regret that the internal tranquillity of parts of my Indian dominions has been disturbed by a conspiracy of evil-disposed persons against the lives of my officers and the continuance of British rule. But the actions of these persons, while they have necessitated deterrent legislation of an exceptional nature for the protection of life and property and maintenance of order, have also called forth in all parts of India demonstrations of loyalty to my person and my Government. My Government have therefore felt justified in pressing forward the measures that have long been under their consideration for enlarging the share of the Indian peoples in the administration of the country. These measures have been laid before you, and I earnestly hope that they will be received in the spirit of mutual trust and goodwill in which they are proposed.

In the month of July my son, the Prince of Wales, acting as my Representative, paid a visit to the Dominion of Canada, and took part in the interesting celebrations which had been arranged under the auspices of the Governor General to commemorate the founding of the city of Quebec by Samuel de Champlain. The affectionate reception given to him by all classes of my subjects touched me deeply, and I learned from him with great satisfaction of the loyalty and enthusiasm everywhere displayed upon that unique and historic occasion.

The visit of the American Fleet to Australasian waters evoked warm feelings of cordiality in my dominions in that quarter of the globe, and was a source of gratification to myself and to my Government.

The important Convention of Statesmen formed to discuss proposals for the closer union of my South African dominions still continues its deliberations. I am well assured that its labours will conduce to the abiding prosperity of the people of South Africa.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the provision which you have made for the services of the year.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The Navy has been maintained in a high state of efficiency, and steady progress continues to be made with the reorganisation of the Military Forces of the Crown in accordance with the principles already sanctioned by Parliament.

It was with much satisfaction that I gave my assent to a measure for securing better provision for necessitous old age.

An Act has been passed establishing in Ireland two Universities, to be called respectively the Queen's University of Belfast and the National University of Ireland. I trust that both seats of learning may play an important and honourable part in the future education of the country.

I have assented to a measure for educational reform in Scotland which confers new powers of control over young persons up to the age of 17, improves the position of the teacher, and consolidates all Scottish funds available for the promotion of education, and simplifies their administration.

I regret that in regard to the controversies connected with the subjects of licensing and national education in England, notwithstanding the time and labour which have been given to their consideration, no settlement has been attained.

Much-needed provision has been made for affording judicial assistance to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council and to the Court of Appeal in England.

For the purpose of improving the conditions of labour, I have given my assent to a measure to limit the daily hours worked below ground by the men and boys employed in coal mines.

A measure has been passed largely extending, in a variety of directions, the Law for the protection of children from cruelty, danger, and neglect, and reforming the methods for dealing with juvenile offenders.

I have sanctioned an Act for the prevention of crime, through provision for the reformation of young offenders in Borstal Institutions, and through the detention, under new regulations, of habitual criminals.

My assent has been given to a measure for the improvement and better administration of the Port of London, which closes a long period of uncertainty detrimental to the commerce and shipping of the capital, and which will, I trust, afford a just and comprehensive settlement of this intricate and important question.

A large number of other measures of public utility have been added to the Statute Book, and amongst them several Acts of unusual scope and comprehensiveness for consolidating existing enactments in various branches of the Law.

I thank you for the zeal which has characterised your protracted and arduous labours, and I pray that they may be rewarded by the blessing of Almighty God.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords, and Gentlemen, By virtue of His Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in His Majesty's Name, and in obedience to His Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the sixteenth day of February one thousand nine hundred and nine, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the sixteenth day of February one thousand nine hundred and nine.
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The Chairman puts the Question on the outstanding Votes, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 15:

10. That a sum not exceeding £13,505,100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), viz.:

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#### 28 July:

The Chairman puts the Question on the outstanding Votes, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 15:—

9. That a sum not exceeding £5,562,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—

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(After Motion that reduced sums be granted, and negatived on Division, proceeding postponed at 8.15, and resumed; and Question put, pursuant to Standing Order (Closure of Debate).)

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| | | (Motion withdrawn, 297.) | |
| | | National Education in Ireland, including Grant in Aid for the Teachers' Pension Fund (Ireland) | 297 | 670,818 |
| | | (Report deferred, 305, 313, 316, 334, 364.) | |

| 27 July | | Foreign Office | 364 | 40,830 |
| | | (Proceeding postponed at 8.15 and resumed.) | |

| 28 July | | Colonial Office | 370 | 31,450 |
| | | (After Motion for reduction negatived on Division.) | |
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The Chairman then proceeded to put severally the Questions, That the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in each Class of the Civil Services Estimates, including Supplementary Estimates, and the total amount of the Votes outstanding in the Estimates for the Navy, the Army (including Ordnance Factories), and the Revenue Departments, be granted for the Services defined in those Classes and Estimates:

### CLASS I.

2. That a sum not exceeding £608,168 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- 1. Royal Palaces
- 2. Osborne
- 3. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens
- 4. Houses of Parliament Buildings (including a Supplementary sum of £5,000)
- 4A. Salisbury Memorial
- 5. Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain
- 6. Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain
- 10. Surveys of the United Kingdom
- 11. Harbours under the Board of Trade
- 12. Peterhead Harbour
- 14. Public Works and Buildings, Ireland
- 15. Railways, Ireland

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### CLASS II.

3. That a sum not exceeding £1,145,045 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- 1. House of Lords Offices
- 2. House of Commons Offices
- 3. Treasury and subordinate Offices
- 4. Home Office
- 7. Privy Council Office
- 8. Board of Trade
- 9. Mercantile Marine Services
- 10. Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade
- 11. Board of Agriculture and Fisheries
- 12. Charity Commission
- 14. Exchequer and Audit Department
- 15. Friendly Societies Registry
- 16. Local Government Board
- 17. Lunacy Commission, England
- 20. Public Record Office
- 21. Public Works Loan Commission
- 22. Registrar General’s Office, England
- 25. Works and Public Buildings Office
- 26. Secret Service

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Resolution read a second time: Motion, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution; and at Ten of the clock Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 15, puts forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Report of the Resolution then under consideration, and agreed to, 379. (On Division.)
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**CLASS III.**

4. That a sum not exceeding £1,685,788 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

1. Law Charges | | 54,190 | — | — |  |
2. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses | | 22,564 | — | — |  |
3. Supreme Court of Judicature | | 189,867 | — | — |  |
4. Land Registry | | 21,750 | — | — |  |
5. Public Trustee | | 371 (On Division.) | 1,500 | — | — |
6. County Courts | | 3 | — | — |  |
7. Police, England and Wales | | 24,858 | — | — |  |

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<td>5. That a sum not exceeding £8,217,512 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz. :—</td>
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#### CIVIL SERVICES, &c.—continued.

28 July—continued.

**CLASS VI.**

7. That a sum not exceeding £1,684,845 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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**CLASS VII.**

8. That a sum not exceeding £382,104 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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**REVENUE DEPARTMENTS ESTIMATES, 1908-9.**

11. That a sum not exceeding £11,821,531 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1909 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

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SUPREME COURT of JUDICATURE (Ireland). Vide Accounts.

SUPREME COURT (Rules). Vide Accounts.

SUPREME COURT (Patents and Designs). Vide Accounts.

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SWEATED INDUSTRIES; Bill to improve the conditions of employment, including the establishment of a legal minimum wage, of persons employed in certain Industries; presented, and ordered to be read a second time, 21. Motion, That the Bill be now read a second time; Amendment proposed, "six months," but not made; Bill read a second time; committed to the Select Committee on Home Work, 57. Reported from Select Committee, without Amendment, 349.

SWINTON and MEXBOROUGH GAS; Bill read the first time, and referred to the Examiners, 21. Report, Standing Order 63 complied with; Bill to be read a second time, 37. Read a second time, and committed, 45. Reported, with Amendments, 95. Considered, as amended; Amendments made; Bill to be read the third time, 156. Read the third time and passed, 160. Agreed to by the Lords, with Amendments, 312. Lords' Amendments agreed to, 320. (Cited as Swinton and Mexborough Gas Act, 1908) Royal Assent, 391.

TAEFF VALE RAILWAY [Lords]; Report, That the Bill should originate in the House of Lords, 14. Report, Standing Orders certified to have been complied with, 16. Brought from the Lords; read the first time, and referred to the Examiners, 133. Report, Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with; Bill to be read a second time, 164. Day appointed for Second Reading, 174. Bill read a second time, and committed, 175. Reported, with Amendments, 293. Considered, as amended, 317. Day appointed for Third Reading, 325. Third Reading deferred, 329. Read the third time and passed, with Amendments, 332. To which the Lords agree, 345. (Cited as Taff Vale Railway Act, 1908) Royal Assent, 391.

TAVE VALLEY GAS [Lords] (changed from Swansea Valley Gas), 236. Day appointed for consideration, 236. Consideration, as amended, deferred, 249. Considered, as amended; Amendments made; Bill to be read the third time, 265. Read the third time and passed, with Amendments, 276. To which the Lords agree, 302. (Cited as Tawe Valley Gas Act, 1908) Royal Assent, 391.

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TAXATION and Purchase of LAND. Vide Local Authorities, &c.

TAXATION BASIS; Motion, That, in the opinion of this House, any attempt to broaden the basis of Taxation by placing small import duties on a large number of articles is opposed to all principles of sound finance, wasteful and uneconomical as regards collection, disturbing and harmful to industry and commerce, would tend to raise the price of all the taxed articles to consumers, and, in practice, would lead to the imposition of high tariffs of the same character as those in force in protected countries; and Question, on Division, resolved in the Affirmative, 130.

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