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A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of October one thousand nine hundred and fourteen: 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 eleventh day of November one thousand nine hundred and fourteen; 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 eleventh day of November one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, 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 eleventh day of November one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and in the Fifth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.
[No. 1.]

Wednesday, 11th November 1914.

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;

New Members sworn.

Sir Walter Runciman, Baronet, Member for Hartlepool Borough, was sworn.

Robert Toothill, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Bolton, was sworn.

Elections.

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 time the matter is in Debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till the 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 if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or8have been 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 Witness 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 hath 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 Metropolitan 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, that no 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 Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by 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.
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Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Outlawries Bill.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from 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 Peregrine Ilbert, G.C.B., K.C.S.I., C.I.E., 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.

Parliamentary Papers (Miscellaneous)

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

Trade Reports (Annual Series)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5390 to 5397.

Treaty Series (No. 12, 1914.)

Copy of additional Protocol to the Treaty of Extraversion between Great Britain and Guatemala. Signed at Guatemala, 30th May 1914.

Negotiations before the War (Russian Publications) (Miscellaneous, No. 11, 1914.)

Copy of Documents respecting the Negotiations preceding the War published by the Russian Government.

Correspondence respecting the War published by the Belgian Government.

Rupture of Relations with Turkey (Miscellaneous, No. 12, 1914.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting events leading to the rupture of Relations with Turkey.

Copy of Statement as to Allowances and Pensions in respect of Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers, and their Wives, Widows, and Dependents.

Copy of Statement as to increased Rates of Separation Allowance for the Wives and Children of Soldiers.

Copy of Papers relating to the support offered by the Princes and Peoples of India to His Majesty in connection with the War.

Copy of Administration Report on the Railways in India for the year 1913-14.

Copies of Reports, Nos. 809 (Bahamas, Report for 1913-14), 810 (Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Report for 1912-13), 811 (Fiji, Report for 1913), 812 (Ashanti, Report for 1913), 813 (Basutoland, Report for 1912-13), 814 (Hong Kong, Report for 1913), 815 (Bechuanaland Protectorate, Report for 1913-14), 816 (Report on the work of the Imperial Institute, 1913).

Copy of Annual Report (Cyprus) for 1913-14.

Copy of Correspondence relating to the continuance of the administrative provisions of the Charter of the British South Africa Company.

Copy of Correspondence relating to the Indians Relief Act, 1914.

Copy of Minutes constituting the Agricultural Education Conference.


Copy of Return giving particulars of cases of Evicted Tenants in which persons had been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 31st March 1914.

Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the months of Commission, March and April 1914.

Copy of Index to Estates comprised in Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Commission Acts, 1903 to 1909, during the year ended 31st December 1913.

Copy of Report of the Estates Commissioners Irish Land for the year ending 31st March 1914, and for the period from 1st November 1903 to 31st March 1914, with Appendix.

Copy of Appendix to the Report of the Committee of Inquiry on Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police, 1914.

Copy of Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland on the Trade in Imports and Exports at Irish Ports during the year 1913.

Copy of the Postponement of Payments Act, 1914, and of the Proclamations issued thereunder, dated 2nd, 6th, 12th August, and 1st, 3rd September.

Copy of Report by the Local Government Board for Scotland as to the proceedings of the Destress Committees in Scotland for the year ended 15th May 1914.

Copy of Summary of Accidents and Casualties on Railway Lines, as reported to the Board of Trade by the Accidents on the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the period of three months ended 30th June 1914; together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were incurred into.

Copy of Statistical Tables relating to the Colonial Dominions, Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates. Part XXXVII., 1912.

Copy of Return relating to the Rates of Colonial Import Duties levied upon the principal and other articles imported into the British Self-governing Dominions, Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates.

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Statistical Kingdom, in each of the last fifteen years, from 1899 to 1913. Sixty-first Number.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on the Life-saving Apparatus on the coasts of the United Kingdom, for the year ended 30th June 1914.


Copy of Report to the Board of Trade on the South Africa Trade of the Union of South Africa and (Trade) Rhodesia for the year 1913.

Copy of Report on changes in Rates of Wages Board of Trade (Labour Department) and Hours of Labour in the United Kingdom in 1913, with comparative Statistics.

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to consider the question of the recognition of First-Aid Certificates for purposes under the Coal Mines Act, 1911, with Minutes of Evidence.
Mr. Secretary M'Kenna presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, to the House of Commons, on the 29th September 1914, a report on the work of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into and report upon the events connected with the landing of Arms at Howth, the subsequent Disturbances, and the use of the Military Power in connection therewith.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Navy (Health) be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Banking, Railway, and Shipping Statistics of Ireland for the half-year ended 30th June 1914.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Four Orders in Council under the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877, dated 2nd November 1914, for holding Winter Assizes in Ireland.

Copy of Closing Orders (two) made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the County Borough of Belfast.

Copy of the Black Scab in Potatoes (Special Area, Ireland) Order, No. 2, 1914.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated the 19th October 1914, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners under the National Insurance Act, 1911, entitled the National Health Insurance (Registration of Branches) Order (Ireland), 1914.

Mr. Montagu also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing—

(1) The number of persons who were asked by the Special Commissioners to make Returns for Super Tax for each of the years 1909-10, 1910-11, 1911-12, 1912-13, and 1913-14;
(2) The number of persons who gave notice that they were liable to Super Tax in each of these years;
(3) The number of persons who neglected to make Returns for Super Tax (because they had not been asked) in the respective years of assessment commencing 1909-10, and who have subsequently made Returns.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, dated 9th October 1914, entitled the National Health Insurance (Officers, Warrant Officers, and Soldiers) Regulations (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of the Black Scab in Potatoes (Special Area, Ireland) Order, No. 2, 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 30th September 1914, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Officers, Warrant Officers, and Soldiers) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Provisional Special Order made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Normal Rates of Remuneration) (Ireland) Provisional Order, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 30th October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Irish Insurance Commissioners acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons' Benefits) Regulations (Ireland), 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 9th October 1914, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners with respect to certain Officers, Warrant Officers, and Soldiers.

Copy of Special Order, dated 10th September 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Order, 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Special Order, dated 10th September 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Order, 1914 (No. 3).

Copy of Special Order, dated 15th July 1914, National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Employers' Custom) Consolidated Order, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 15th July 1914, National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Customs) Consolidated Order, No. 11, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 15th July 1914, National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Consolidated Order, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons' Benefits) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 23rd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Amendment Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd September 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Transfer Values) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 13th October 1914, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Order Inquiry) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 23rd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Societies' Accounts and Administrative Expenses) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army Insurance Fund ; Persons of Unsound Mind) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Aliens' Maternity Benefit) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 23rd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Normal Rate of Remuneration) Order (No. 2), 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 23rd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Order, 1914 (No. 3).
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Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Normal Rate of Remuneration) Order (No. 3), 1914.

Copy of Treasury Order, dated 15th September 1914, under the County Courts Act, 1888, regulating Fees in County Courts.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 22nd September 1914, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, granting a retired allowance to Mr. Harry Bramley Littlewood, Clerk (Third Class), London Telegraph Office, Post Office.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 10th October 1914, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, granting a retired allowance to Mr. James Bainbridge, Assistant Superintendent (Class II.), West Hartlepool Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Irish Land Purchase Fund, be printed.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th September 1914, under the Colonial Protests Act, 1892, amending the Act to Papua.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 30th September 1914, entitled the Siam Order in Council, 1914.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 29th October 1914, entitled the Morocco Order in Council, 1914.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, varying the Orders in Council of 16th February 1903 and 16th December 1911, with respect to the number and salaries of Lower Grade Clerks on the establishment of the Corporation of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond.

Copies of Thirteen Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated from 21st September 1914 to 5th November 1914.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, on 29th July 1914, and duly sealed, amending Statutes XXIII. and XLIII. of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Queen's College, Cambridge, on 3rd November 1914, and duly sealed, amending certain of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Emanuel College, Cambridge, on 20th April 1914, and duly sealed, amending certain of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of New College, Oxford, on 14th January 1914 and 28th April 1914 (and sealed on 15th June 1914), amending Statutes III., IV., VII., and XI. of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Merton College, Oxford, on 7th May 1914 (and sealed on 14th May 1914), amending Statutes II., III., V., IX., and XIII. of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Oxford on 6th June 1914, and duly sealed on 16th June 1914, amending certain of the existing Statutes of the University (Dr. Lee's Professorships).

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

Mr. Runciman, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., No. 99-102), 1914.

Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, dated 6th October 1914, revoking an Order (D.I.P., No. 43) declaring an area in the County of Monmouth to be infected with Wart Disease of Potatoes (D.I.P., No. 103).

Ordered, That the said Papers 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:

Orders of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in respect of the capital and income of the Irish Land Purchase Fund in the year ended 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Accounts of the Irish Land Commissioners in respect of Church Temporalities in Ireland from 1st April 1913, and from 26th July 1869 (the date of the Irish Church Act) to 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Accounts of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board for the years ending 1st July 1914.

Abstract of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales for the year 1912, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Copy of Schedule, containing a list of particulars of classes of Documents of the Treasury (Slave Compensation Commission) which are not considered of sufficient public importance to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to Irish Land Purchase Fund and Church Temporalities (Ireland) be printed.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, on the 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 follows:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The energies and sympathies of My subjects in every part of the Empire are concentrated...
on the prosecution to a victorious issue of the War on which we are engaged. I have summoned you now in order that, sharing, as I am aware you do, My conviction that this is a duty of paramount and supreme importance, you should take whatever steps are needed for its adequate discharge.

Since I last addressed you, the area of the War has been enlarged by the participation in the struggle of the Ottoman Empire. In conjunction with My Allies, and in spite of repeated and continuous provocations, I strove to preserve, in regard to Turkey, a friendly neutrality. Bad counsels and alien influences have driven her into a policy of wanton and defiant aggression, and a state of war now exists between us. My Mussulman subjects know well that a rupture with Turkey has been forced upon Me against My will, and I recognise with appreciation and gratitude the proofs which they have hastened to give of their loyal devotion and support.

My Navy and Army continue, throughout the area of conflict, to maintain in full measure their glorious traditions. We watch and follow their steadfastness and valour with thankfulness and pride, and there is, throughout My Empire, a fixed determination to secure, at whatever sacrifice, the triumph of our arms and the vindication of our cause.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

You will be asked to make due financial provision for the effective conduct of the War.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The only measures which will be submitted to you, at this stage of the Session, are such as seem necessary to My advisers for the attainment of the great purpose upon which the efforts of the Empire are set.

I confidently commend them to your patriotism and loyalty, and I pray that the Almighty will secure, to give of their loyal devotion and support.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as follows:

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—(Sir Robert Price); and a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Adjournment

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Gulland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

11th—12th November. 1914. [No. 2.]

Thursday, 12th November 1914.

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.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy 1912.

Of Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 10th November 1914, under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain Shops in the Burgh of Dumbarton.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy Colonial Reports, No. 817 (Falkland Islands, Report for 1913-14).

Mr. Secretary Harcourt also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Islands.

—Copy of new Rules relating to the Government of the Prisons in the Leeward Islands.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty’s Government, Assistance to Credit and Business. (Copy of further Papers relating to the measures taken by His Majesty’s Government for sustaining Credit and facilitating Business. In continuation of [Cd. 7633] and House of Commons Paper, No. 457 of Session 1914).

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Sickness Benefit Claims under the National Insurance Act, with Appendices.

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed to consider and advise with regard to the application of the National Insurance Act to Outworkers in Ireland. Volume I., Report. Volume II., Evidence and Appendices.

Supplementary Estimate of the sum of £225,000,000, required to be voted for Naval and Military Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order, dated 24th July 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Supplementary Employments) Consolidated Order (Ireland), 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 24th July 1914, National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) No. 25. National Health Insurance (Joint Committee), acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Consolidated Order (Ireland), 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate, and the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) presented by Acts, be printed.
Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Command—Copy of Interim Report of the Committee on Garrison and Regimental Institutes.

Supplementary Estimate of the additional number of Men required for the Army in the year ending 31st March 1915, in consequence of the War in Europe.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate 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 Account of the Irish Land Commission for the year ended 31st March 1914, and from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Order made upon the 11th day of this instant November, That the Paper relative to Navy (Health) be printed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1913-14, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1914; (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. 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 dissolve the marriage of Henry John Pack-Beresford, of Kestelle House, in the County of Carlow, Major, with Sybil Maud Pack-Beresford, his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That on every day on which the House sits until the 31st day of December—

(1) Government Business do have precedence;

(2) At the conclusion of Government Business Mr. Speaker shall propose the Question, That this House do now adjourn, and if that Question shall not have been agreed to, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House without Question put, not later than half an hour after the conclusion of Government Business; and

(3) If the day be a Friday the House, unless it otherwise resolves, shall at its rising stand adjourned until the following Monday.

—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That no Bills, other than Government Bills, be introduced in anticipation of the Ballot, and no Notices of Motions on going into Committee of Supply be received before 31st December.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant November, 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—(Sir Robert Price);

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed, to be made Aliens, to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But humbly regret that the Gracious Speech contains no reference to the public danger arising from the presence in the kingdom of aliens who may be in possible communication with the enemy, and of limited companies consisting almost entirely of alien shareholders."—(Mr. Joynson-Hicks.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

Another Amendment was proposed, to be made Censorship of the Question, by adding at the end thereof the Press. the words "But humbly regret that the Gracious Speech contains no reference to the censorship of the press, and the lack of information on matters of public interest of past events supplied to the press."—(Sir William Bull.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;—

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, upon Monday Supply, next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Gulland.)

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Ways and Means, next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider Means of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Gulland.)

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Monday, 16th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order of the 6th day of August 1894, relating to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, suspended in Session 1914, might be read; and the same being read,

The Bill was read the first and second time; and, having been reported in Session 1914, was ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order of the 6th day of August 1894, relating to the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill, suspended in Session 1914, might be read; and the same being read,

The Bill was read the first and second time; and, having been reported in Session 1914, was ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Aberdeen Corporation: And the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill, suspended in Session 1914, might be read; and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912.

Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Mr. Hollobaume presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Money) the Postal Order (Foreign and Colonial) Regulations, 1914, dated 21st July 1914.

Mr. Runniman also presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Provisional Order (Scotland) (No. 3), 1914.

Mr. Secretary Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health (Scotland) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 11th November 1914, entitled the County Borough of Plymouth Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 18) Act, (England.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Irish Universities Act, 1908, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Runciman, on behalf of the Scottish Board of Education, submitted the Report of the Scottish Education Commission, entitled the National Health (Scotland) Insurance (Transfer of Deposit Contributors) Order (Scotland) (No. 3), 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 6th November 1914, National Health (Insurance Commission) Order, 1914, entitled the County Borough of Plymouth (Insurance Committee) Order, 1914.

Mr. Montagu also presented, Return to the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1913-14, No. 45.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with


Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the Irish Universities Act, 1908, No. 37.

Copy of Amendment to Chapter XXXIII, Irish of the Statutes of the Queen's University of Belfast, made under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Irish Universities Act, 1908, be printed.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Money) the Shops Act, 1912.

Copy of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

The Council of the City of Oxford and Boroughs of Ealing and Ryde.

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

Mr. Hollobaume presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Money) the Postal Order (Foreign and Colonial) Regulations, 1914, dated 21st July 1914.

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

Mr. Runniman also presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Provisional Order (Scotland) (No. 3), 1914.

Mr. Secretary Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health (Scotland) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 11th November 1914, National Health (Insurance Commission) Order, 1914, entitled the County Borough of Plymouth (Insurance Committee) Order, 1914.

Mr. Montagu also presented, Return to the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1913-14, No. 45.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with
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the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Employment under Local and Public Authorities) Exclusion Provisional Order (Ireland) (No. 2), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd October 1914, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Order Inquiry) Regulations (Wales), 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 2nd October 1914, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Officers, Warrant Officers, and Soldiers) Regulations (Wales), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd October 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 13th November 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Customs, Crown Employment) Order (No. 1), 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 13th November 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Customs, Crown Employment) Order (No. 2), 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee), National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), and the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1915-14, be printed.

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 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit seventeen minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 1 (Sittings of the House) I hereby nominate—

The Right Honourable Charles Beilby Stuart-Wortley.

The Right Honourable Charles Forwick

Mr. Charles Henry Lyell, and

Mr. Thomas Power O'Connor, and

Mr. Charles Beilby Stuart-Wortley, to act during this Session as temporary Chairman of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

James W. Lowther, Speaker.

16th November 1914.
Tuesday, 17th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Joseph Pease, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Bill to make such provisions as are necessary to enable the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty to come into force: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House Memorial to His Majesty, praying that His Majesty will give directions that a Monument be erected at the public charge to the memory of the late Field Marshal Earl Roberts, with an inscription expressing the admiration of this House for his illustrious military career and its gratitude for his devoted services to the State.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, a sum of £225,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Loan.

2. Resolved, That any amount may be raised by the Treasury under the War Loan Act, 1914, which is, in their opinion, required for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the present War, notwithstanding that the amount raised may exceed the Supply for the time being granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March, nineteen hundred and fifteen.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Taxes.

3. Resolved, That, in lieu of the duty of Customs payable on Tea, there shall be charged, levied, and paid, on and after the eighteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and until the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifteen, the following duty, that is to say:—

Tea, the pound eight pence; and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Beer (Customs).

4. Resolved, That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on Beer imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, be charged, levied, and paid the following duties, that is to say:—

For every thirty-six gallons where the worts thereof exceed one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a duty of

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and for every thirty-six gallons where the worts thereof are or were before fermentation of a specific gravity:

Not exceeding one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a duty of

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, Land to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses that may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the execution and maintenance of Land Drainage works—(Sir Harry Verney);

Mr. McKenna Wood, 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 5.]

Wednesday, 18th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Pack-Beresford Divorce Bill [Lords] Pack-Beresford Divorce Bill was read a second time.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee on the Bill have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, Vide First Report, ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to a motion of the Home Department:

The Council of the County of Lancaster (Urban Districts of Prescot and Huyton-with-Roby and Township of Rainhill);

The Council of the City of York;

The Councils of the Boroughs of Carmarthen, Dover, and Morecambe.

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


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Runciman, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light railways Acts, 1886 and 1912, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, entitled the York Corporation Light Railways (Extensions) Order, 1914.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., Nos. 126 and 128).

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

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Runciman, Mr. Montagu, and Mr. Robertson, presented a Bill to amend the Trading with the Enemy Act, 1914, and for purposes connected therewith: 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 a Select Committee be appointed to consider a scheme of Pensions and Grants for officers and men in the naval and military services disabled by wounds or disease arising out of the present War, and for the widows, orphans, and dependants of officers and men who have lost their lives; and whether the existing scheme of separation allowances to wives, children, and dependants should be amended, and, if so, in what way.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Six Members.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Land Drainage Bill was, according to Land Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir Harry Verney.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Land Drainage [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses in relation to a Provisional Order which may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the execution and maintenance of Land Drainage works.—(Sir Harry Verney.)

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 Sheriff Courts Second Reading of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Bill;

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

The House of Commons (Commissions in His Majesty's Forces) 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. Holland.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for Supply [16th November] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for Supply Supply [17th November] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for Supply Supply [18th November] Report.
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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.

Supply.

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

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 19th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ellis Griffith reported to the House, That His Majesty, having been attended with their Address of the 12th day of this instant November, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received with great satisfaction the loyal and dutiful expression of your thanks for the Speech with which I have opened the present Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 27th day of this instant November.

Ordered, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 27th day of this instant November.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the amount of Bank of England Notes issued more than forty years and out-standing on 28th October 1914, which have been written off.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring a certain area to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., No. 127).

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 17th November 1914, relating to Advances to His Majesty's Self-governing Dominions.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Pack-Beresford Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords.—(The Lord Advocate.)

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 Pack-Beresford Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Secretary McKenna, supported by Mr. Robertson, Exportation presented a Bill to amend section one of the Exportation of Arms Act, 1909; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Select Committee on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants) was nominated by Mr. Barnes, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Bonar Law, Mr. Secretary McKenna, and Mr. T. P. O'Connor.—(Mr. Illingworth.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Income Tax.

1. Resolved, That—

(1) For the last four months of the current Income Tax year the rate of Income Tax shall be double the rate fixed by the Finance Act, 1914 (namely, two shillings and six pence, instead of one shilling and three pence), and the rates of Super Tax and of the amounts payable in respect of earned income, and in respect of small incomes under section six of the Finance
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The Order of the day being read, for the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty 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 Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with the Enemy Act (1914) Amendment 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 Land Drainage (Expenses) ;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [16th November] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant November ;
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 17th day of this instant November ;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

The 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, and, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be required for giving effect to obligations incurred for the purposes of the present War, or in connection therewith, by or on behalf of His Majesty's Government, and for other purposes in relation thereto — (Mr. Galland) ;
Mr. Joseph Pease, 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Act, 1914, shall also be doubled for that period.

(2) Effect shall be given to the said increase of tax as follows:—
(a) by making such deductions in the case of dividends, interest, or other annual sums due or payable after the fifth day of December, nineteen hundred and fourteen, as will make the total amount deducted in respect of Income Tax for the year equal to that which would have been deducted if Income Tax for the year had been at the rate of one shilling and eight pence; and
(b) by treating the amount payable in respect of any assessments already made of tax chargeable otherwise than by way of deduction or of Super Tax as increased by one-third; and
(c) by increasing any such assessments not already made by one-third; and
(d) where the amount of any exception, relief, or abatement under the Income Tax Acts is to be determined by reference to the amount of Income Tax on any sum, by calculating the amount of the tax at one shilling and eight pence.

(3) That it is expedient to give relief in certain cases in respect of diminution of income caused by the present War, and that any relief so given should be in substitution for such relief (if any) as may be claimed in those cases under the Income Tax Acts.

(4) It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Amendment of Law.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with finance.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 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 Supply;
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 Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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[No. 7.]

Friday, 20th November 1914.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command, — Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and Sweden, renewing for a further period of five years the Arbitration Convention of 11th August 1904. Signed at London, 9th November 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty’s Command, — Copy of Colonial Report, No. 818 (Malta, Annual Report for 1913-14).

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna, supported by Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Defence of the Realm Acts; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Harold Baker, supported by Mr. Tennant, presented a Bill to provide for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons if disabled whilst employed abroad in connection with warlike operations, and to their dependants: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to extend, in respect of the present War, the relief from disqualification for office granted by the Members of Local Authorities, and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Montagu reported from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant November several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, towards making good the Supply (Consolidated) granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Fund, year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, a sum of £225,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Loan.

2. That any amount may be raised by the Loan Treasury under the War Loan Act, 1914, which is, in their opinion, required for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the present War, notwithstanding that the amount raised may exceed the Supply for the time being granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

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3. That, in lieu of the duty of Customs Tea, payable on Tea, there shall be charged, levied, and paid, on and after the eighteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and until the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifteen, the following duty, that is to say:—

Tea, the pound — eight pence; and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Beer (Customs).

4. That, in addition to the duties of Customs Beer now payable on Beer imported into Great Britain (Customs) or Ireland, there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, be charged, levied, and paid the following duties, that is to say:—

In the case of beer called or similar to mum, spruce, black beer, or Berlin white beer or other preparations, whether fermented or not fermented, of a similar character:—

£ s. d.

For every thirty-six gallons where the worts thereof exceed 1,000,000, 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, in consequence of the War in Europe, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Montagu reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 17th day of this instant November several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, towards making good the Supply (Consolidated) granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Fund.
and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Beer (Excise).

5. That, in addition to the duty of Excise in respect of Beer brewed in the United Kingdom, there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and fourteen, be charged, levied, and paid the following duties, that is to say:—

For every thirty-six gallons of wort of a specific gravity of one thousand and fifty-five degrees, a duty of —

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and so in proportion for any difference in quantity or gravity;

and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Beer (Specific Gravity) Tables.

6. That amended tables for determining the specific gravity of wort of beer shall be substituted for the tables now in use for that purpose.

The First 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. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Montagu 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 fifteen: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with Finance.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Finance said Resolutions, and upon the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth of the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 17th day of this instant November, and agreed to this day: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented a Bill Finance Bill to grant certain additional duties of Customs Bill 13. and Inland Revenue, including Excise, to alter other duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue, including Excise, and the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: 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 a Committee on Government War Obligations.

(1) Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament and, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be required for giving effect to obligations incurred for the purposes of the present War, or in connection therewith, by or on behalf of His Majesty's Government, and for other purposes in relation thereto.—(Mr. Montagu.)

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 Trading with the Enemy Act (1914) Amendment 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. William Jones.)

The Sheriff Courts (Scotland) 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. Webb.)

The Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty 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. Webb.)

The Exportation of Arms Act (1900) Amendment 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. Webb.)

The Criminal Justice Administration (Postponement) 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. Secretary M’Kenna.)

Mr. Harry Verney reported from the Committee on Land Drainage (Expenses) a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses in relation to a Provisional Order which may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the execution and maintenance of Land Drainage works.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Drainage Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to constitute bodies for the construction of land drainage works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out from the first word “the” to the word “and,” in l. 10, in order to insert the words “Land Clauses Acts.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Short title and duration).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33, after the word “order,” to insert the words “made under this Act.”—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

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.

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 House of Commons (Commissions in His Majesty’s Forces) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Acceptance of a commission in His Majesty’s forces not to vacate the seat of a Member of Parliament).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

“(3) All payments made for the salary of Members for the September quarter, or to be made for that or the ensuing quarter, in the case of honourable Members who are affected by this Act, shall be hereby authorised.”—(Mr. Booth.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and 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.

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.

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 House of Commons (Commissions in His Majesty’s Forces) Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to an Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn;

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
[No. 8.]

Monday, 23rd November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Pack-Beresford Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders made by the Council of the County of Southampton, altering certain Polling Districts in the Fareham and New Forest Parliamentary Divisions.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statements deposited with the Board of Trade under Section 7 (1) of the Assurance Companies Act, 1909, during the year 1914. Parts A and B.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Order, dated 18th November 1914, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Transfer of Deposit Contributors) (Ireland) Order (No. 3), 1914.

Copy of Rules (1914) made under Section 11 of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Act, 1879.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and to be infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., Nos. 129-142).

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Roberts.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Consolidated Fund and Irish Universities Act, 1908, be printed.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to Truce BILL facilitate the execution of Trusts during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Montagu reported from the Committee on Government War Obligations a Resolution; War Obligations, which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, and, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be required for giving effect to Obligations incurred for the purposes of the present War, or in connection therewith, by or on behalf of His Majesty’s Government, and for other purposes in relation thereto.

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. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary McKenna, Mr. Runciman, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented a Bill to make provision with respect to Obligations incurred by or on behalf of His Majesty’s Government for the purposes of the present War, or in connection therewith, and for other purposes in relation thereto: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Defence of the Realm Consolidation 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. Gulland.)
The Injuries in War (Compensation) 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. Gulland.)

The Local Authorities (Disqualification from Relief) 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. Gulland.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907.

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 Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of s. 16 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act, 1907).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the words "other reasonable cause," in order to insert the words "for military service."

—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and 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.

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.

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 Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble 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.

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.

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 Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and 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.

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.

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 Criminal Justice Administration (Postponement) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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.

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

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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making provision for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons on account of disablement in consequence of warlike operations, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session relating to such provision.—(Mr. Gulland)

Mr. Secretary 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.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to a Resolution, to the Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
24th November. 1914. [No. 9.]

Tuesday, 24th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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 Aberdeenshire City, in the room of David Cleghorn Hogg, Esquire, deceased. — (Mr. Illingworth.)

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 King's County (Tullamore Division), in the room of David Cleghorn Hogg, Esquire, deceased. — (Mr. Patrick O'Brien.)

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 King's County (Tullamore Division), in the room of John Roche, Esquire, deceased. — (Mr. Patrick O'Brien.)

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 17th November 1914, granting a retiring allowance to Mrs. Sarah Katherine Storey, Salaried Sub-Postmistress, Monasterevan, Portarlington, Post Office.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 819 (Trinidad and Tobago, Report for 1913-14).

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

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to extend the term of service of the Royal Marine Force during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Dr. Addison presented a Bill to amend section forty-six of the National Insurance Act, 1911, as respects the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Dr. Macnamara presented a Bill to extend the term of service of the Royal Marine Force during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Dr. Macnamara presented a Bill to enable the Admiralty to dispense with compliance with the requirements of the Navy and Marines (Wills) Acts, 1865 and 1897, in the case of Seamen and Marines dying during or in consequence of the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants) have leave to sit notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to adjourn from place to place.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to send their Report, if they think fit, and the House is not sitting, to the Clerk of the House, who shall thereupon give directions for the printing of the Report and its circulation, and shall lay the Report upon the Table of the House at its next meeting. — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported Memorial to the Committee on the Memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Roberts; 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 at the public charge to the memory of the late Field-Marshal Earl Roberts, with an inscription expressing the admiration of this House for his illustrious military career and its gratitude for his devoted services to the 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.

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 read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) 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 read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Reduction of licence duty where hours of sale are curtailed).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 19, to leave out the words "on-licence," in order to insert the word "licence."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question, That the words "on-licence" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 28, to leave out the words "in any area."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 9 and No. 10 agreed to.

Clause 11 (Increase of income tax and super tax).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 17, after the words "eight pence," to insert the words "(f) Persons paying income tax direct shall be allowed to pay the same by two equal instalments, the first of which shall be due on the first day of January, and the second on the thirty-first day of March."—(Sir Francis Lowe.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 12 (Relief in respect of diminution).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words "including super tax."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 38, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that in the case of members of the Territorial and other forces of the Crown, engaged in any profession or business at the time when called up for military or other service, there shall be deducted from the amount of their assessment for income tax as earned income such proportion of such assessment as they shall prove to the satisfaction of the Commissioners, they have been unable to earn by reason of such military or other service of the Crown."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 39, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "Provided that no person who is or has been serving under military or naval law shall be assessed to any larger sum in respect of income tax or super tax than he would have been if this Act had not been passed."—(Mr. Dennis.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 13 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 14 to No. 16 agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 7, to leave out the words "place on deposit with any bank," in order to insert the words "invest in any securities."—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "And except so far as the same may be required to be applied in payment of any interest under an order of court made in pursuance of section five."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "The Custodian, when receiving any property or moneys under the provisions of this Act, shall have the power to arrange and settle the claims of any British subject or other persons not being alien enemies, and to agree the amounts and pay and discharge the same before making such bank deposit or payment to the Treasury as aforesaid."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Payment of dividends, &c. payable to enemy).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, after the words "and paid," to insert the words "whether payable to such enemy direct or to any agent or person on his behalf."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, after the word "enemy," to insert the words "or a limited company registered in Great Britain or Ireland whose shares are held as to upwards of seventy-five per cent. by enemies."—(Mr. Joynson-Hicks.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
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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 the Second Reading of the Trusts Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill;

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons if disabled whilst employed in connection with warlike operations, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session relating to such provision. — (Mr. Gelland.)

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 Committee on the Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill;

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 Local Authorities (Disqualification Relief) Bill.

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 2 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 be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice Administration (Postponement) 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 Defence of the Realm Consolidation 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 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 12th day of this instant November, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

24th—25th November. 1914. [No. 9.]

Wednesday, 25th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Ramsgate directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the Income and Expenditure of the Board of Trade on Ramsgate Harbour for the year ended 31st March 1914; together with an Account of the receipt and issue of Stores.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and to her Majesty's Board of Education.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's Board of Education, dated 25th November 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and to her Majesty's Board of Education.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's National Health Insurance (Deposit (England.) Act, 1912, in England and Wales, as already modified by the Minutes dated 4th July 1913 and 24th June 1914.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Minute of the Board of Education, dated 20th November 1914, modifying the Regulations for Public Elementary Schools, 1912, in England and Wales, as already modified by the Minutes dated 4th July 1913 and 24th June 1914.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring certain areas to be infected with Wart Disease, and to
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 Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Exportation of Arms Act (1900) Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to amend the House of Commons (Commission in His Majesty's Forces) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Mc Kinon Wood, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to enable Apprentices to Law Agents in Scotland to reckon service in connection with the present War as service under an indenture of apprenticeship for the purposes of the Law Agents (Scotland) Act, 1873: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Watson Rutherford supported by Mr. Birrell, presented a Bill to amend the Government War Obligations Bill, and to he printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government War Obligations Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Schedule amended, and 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Trading with the Enemy Act (1914) Amendment Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 further considered.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, after the word "enemy," to insert the words "or a limited company registered in Great Britain or Ireland where shares are held as to upwards of seventy-five per cent. by enemies."

(Mr. Jayson-Hick.)

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Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 1, after the word "except," to insert the words "as may be requisite for the purpose of discharging the liabilities to creditors in the United Kingdom (other than enemy creditors) and." — (Sir John Harwood-Banner.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) The Custodian shall keep a register of all property of enemies whose property has been transferred to or vested in him, which shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable times free of charge.

Any British subject, firm, or corporation having claims, whether liquidated or not, against enemies may serve a notice, giving particulars of such claims verified by statutory declaration, on the Custodian, and in such event he shall not distribute or deal with any property vested in him until such claims have been adjudicated on by the High Court.

Notices of writs and other process served on the Custodian shall be deemed to be good service on the enemy.

Before distributing or dealing with the property of enemies, the Custodian shall in all cases give at least three weeks' notice by public advertisement for British creditors to send in their claims to him, and all such creditors shall rank pari passu in any distribution." — (Sir Clifford Cory.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 16, at the end, to insert the words "with or without interest thereon." — (Mr. Nield.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Right to pay into court sums due on compulsory suspected of being enemy property).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 13, to leave out the words "into court," in order to insert the words "to the Custodian." — (Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Invalidity of transfers of shares or other property of companies (other than enemy creditors) and.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 41, after the word "stock," to insert the words "mortgage or charge." — (Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Condition as to the incorporation of new companies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 17, to leave out the words "during the continuance of the war." — (Mr. Popham.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Additional provisions as to trading with enemy).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 5, to leave out the words "for the purpose of enabling," in order to insert the words "in such a manner as to enable." — (Mr. Pollock.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 12 (Short title and construction).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) The expression 'enemy,' in the principal Act or in this Act, shall extend to and include any company or firm the business whereof is managed or controlled by persons who were or are, on or subsequently to the first day of January nineteen hundred and fourteen, born subjects of, or resident or carrying on business in, any state for the time being at war with His Majesty, and shall extend to and include any company or firm who were or are acting as agents for any person, firm, or company trading or carrying on business in a state for the time being at war with His Majesty, notwithstanding that the company or firm may be registered within His Majesty's dominions." — (Mr. Morton.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Another Clause (Determination of contracts) — (Mr. Morton)—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 (Board of Trade may terminate contracts in certain cases)—(Mr. Samuel Samuel)—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 (Power to use information in evidence against informant)—(Mr. Robertson)—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.

Preamble 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 be read the third time to-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill 24.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that during the continuance of the present war no duty of income tax shall be levied on or payable out of the pay of any person serving in the naval or military forces of the Crown."—(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.

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

The Trusts 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. Galland.)

The Poor Relief (Ireland) 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. Galland.)

The National Insurance (Navy and Army) 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. Galland.)

The Royal Marines 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. Galland.)

The Navy and Marines (Wills) 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. Galland.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to make regulations as to the defence of the realm).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words "to secure the free enlistment of all British subjects willing and anxious to serve in His Majesty's forces."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, to leave out the words "under section five of the Army Act," in order to insert the words "punishable with imprisonment or any less punishment."—(Mr. King.)

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. 20, after the word "death," to insert the words "or any less punishment."—(Mr. King.)

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Short title and repeal).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, to leave out the word "Consolidation."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word "Consolidation" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, to leave out the word "Consolidation," in order to insert the words "No. 3."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word "Consolidation" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Criminal Justice (Compensation) 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.

Mr. Secretary McKenna reported from the Committee on Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—

That it is expedient to make provision for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons if disabled whilst employed in connection with warlike operations, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session relating to such provision.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

A Clause added.

Title amended.

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 amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to provide for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons if disabled whilst employed abroad in connection with warlike
Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's state of Command, — Copy of Report by the Board of Employment, Trade on the State of Employment in the United Kingdom in October 1914. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's board of Command, — Copy of Regulations under which Education, Grants to Day Nurseries in England and Wales will be made by the Board of Education during the year ending on 31st March 1915.

Mr. Joseph Pease also presented, pursuant to University of the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy London Act, 1898. No. 52. of Amendment made under the University of London Act, 1898, of Statutes Nos. 119 and 125 of the Statutes of the University of London.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the University of London Act, 1898, be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy 1914, of Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 26th November 1914, under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain Shops in the Burgh of Hamilton.

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 (Emergency Powers) Act, 1914 (Draft), dated 20th November 1914, under the Bills of Rights. Copy of Regulations under which Education, Grants to Day Nurseries in England and Wales will be made by the Board of Education during the year ending on 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That other Government Business of 98 v. Business of the House have precedence this day of the Committee of the House of Supply. — (The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Third Reading of the Business of Government War Obligations Bill may be taken the House consents that the interval before Three of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 11.]

Thursday, 26th November 1914.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Ellis Griffith reported to the House, That they Address of the 23rd day of this instant November, relative to the Memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Roberts, having 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 at the public charge to the memory of the late Field-Marshal Earl Roberts, with an inscription expressing the admiration of the House of Commons for his illustrious military career and its gratitude for his devoted services to the State, and assuring Me that you will make good the expenses attending the same.

I will gladly give directions that your proposal to do honour to the memory of this great and devoted servant of the State shall be carried into effect.

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

Mr. Secretary M'Kenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Dublin under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.
Amendment Act (1914) the Enemy Trading with Finance Bill.

Obligations Government Bill.

Certificate. Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Government War Obligations Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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

The Finance 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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Poor Relief (Ireland) Bill.

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 Poor Relief (Ireland) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Orders of Local Government Board modifying or repealing section 9 of 10 & 11 Vict. c. 31).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out all the words from the word "war" to the end of subsection (1)—(Sir Frederick Bbunbury.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made. Clause, as amended, agreed to. Clause No. 2 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance (Navy and Army) Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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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 Navy and Marines (Wills) Bill. (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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Injuries in War (Compensation) 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 Courts (Emergency Powers) (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Birrell.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(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 desire their concurrence.

The Law Agents Apprenticeship (War Service) (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill,—(Mr. McKinnon Wood.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(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 desire their concurrence.

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 Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 2nd day of February next—(Mr. Secretary McKenna);

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 Trading with the Enemy Act (1914) Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy Act (1914) Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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.

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.

The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Criminal Justice Administration (Postponement) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Authorities (Disqualification Relief) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Trusts Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Poor Relief (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the National Insurance (Navy and Army) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Royal Marines Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Royal Marines (Wills) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Injuries in War (Compensation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Law Agents Apprenticeship (War Service) (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Government War Obligations Bill, without any Amendment.

The Question being again proposed, That Adjournment, this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 2nd day of February next;

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Royal Assent. 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 having 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, 1914 (Session 2).
2. Finance Act, 1914 (Session 2).
5. House of Commons (Commissions in His Majesty's Forces) Act, 1914.
7. Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1914.
10. Local Authorities (Disqualification Relief) Act, 1914.
12. Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1914.
18. Injuries in War (Compensation) Act, 1914 (Session 2).
20. Law Agents Apprenticeship (War Service) (Scotland) Act, 1914.

The Question was again proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 2nd day of February next.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
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[No. 13.]

Tuesday, 2nd February 1915.

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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order of the 8th day of August 1914, relating to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 23) Bill, suspended in Session 1914, might be read; and the same being read;

The Bill was read the first, second, and third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty’s Command during the Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5399 to 5421.

Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and Norway renewing for a further period of five years the Arbitration Convention of 11th August 1904. Signed at London, 9th November 1914.

Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and Portugal providing for the settlement by Arbitration of certain classes of questions which may arise between the two Governments. Signed at London, 16th November 1914.


Copy of Declaration withdrawing the British Reservations in respect of Articles 23, 27, and 28 of the Red Cross Convention, 1906. Signed at Berne, 5th July 1914.


Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and Italy for the extension to British Majesties Dominions, France, and Russia engaging not to conclude Peace separately during the present European War. Signed at London, 5th September 1914.

Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and France relating to Prizes captured during the present European War. Signed at London, 9th November 1914. Ratifications exchanged, 21st December 1914.

Copy of Despatch from His Majesty’s Ambassador at Constantinople, summarizing events leading up to rupture of Relations with Turkey (Miscellaneous) (No. 14, 1914.)

Copy of Despatch to Sir Henry Howard, containing instructions respecting his Mission to the Vatican.

Copy of Despatch from His Majesty’s Ambassador at Petropagod, enclosing a Memorandum on the subject of the Temperance Measures adopted in Russia since the outbreak of the European War.


Copy of Correspondence regarding Gifts from European Overseas Dominions and Colonies during the War. (Miscellaneous) (No. 2, 1915.)

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken in the Union of South Africa in 1914 by the Royal (Royal Commission on the Natural Resources, Trade, and Legislation of certain portions of His Majesty’s Dominions.)

Copy of Statement of the Administrative Revenue and Expenditure in Southern and Northern Rhodesia for the financial year ended 31st March 1914.

Copy of Report for 1913 on the Federated Malay States, Malay States.

Copy of Final Balance Sheet of estimated Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1914–15, showing the estimated effect of the changes made during the passage of the Finance Bill, 1914 (Session 2), through the House of Commons.
Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Outstanding Reserve Values) Amendment Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Registration of Branches) Order, 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors, Adjustment of Accounts) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the County Borough of Plymouth (Insurance Committee) Amendment Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Benefits) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 7th December 1914, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Deposit Contributors' Benefits) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Deposit Contributors, Adjustment of Accounts) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors, Adjustment of Accounts) (Ireland) Order, 1914.

Copy of Fifth Report of the Royal Commission on the Civil Service (i) Report; (ii) Appendix, Minutes of Evidence, 29th April to 16th July 1914, with Appendices.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the circumstances attending an Explosion of Picric Acid which occurred at the factory belonging to Mears, Henry Ellison, Limited, at Heckmondwike, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, on 2nd December 1914.


Copy of Fifty-seventh Report, for the year 1913, of the Chief Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Samuel Pope and Thomas S. H. Mottram, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at Wharncliffe Silskeane Colliery, on 30th May 1914.


Copy of Annual Report, with Statistics, of Mines and His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Mines, for the Quarries, year 1912. Part IV, Colonial and Foreign Statistics; Statistics relating to Persons employed, Output, and Accidents at Mines and Quarries in the British Colonies and in Foreign Countries.

Copy of First Report of the Departmental Government Committee appointed by the President of the Decentralised Belgian Refugees Committee on questions arising in connection with the (Departmental) reception and employment of the Belgian Refugees in this country.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Local Government Board to consider and report on questions arising in (Departmental) connection with the reception and employment of the Belgian Refugees in this country.

Copy of Report on the special work of the Local Government Board arising out of the War (up to 31st December 1914).


Copy of Memorandum (No. 4) of the Local Government Board relative to the operation of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1909, and the earlier Housing Acts, as amended by that Act.

Copy of Statement showing, for the year Local ended March 1914, the amount of the Receipts, Expenditure, and outstanding Loans of the principal classes of Local Authorities in England and Wales.

Copy of Review of the Trade of India, 1913-1914.

Copy of Report on the work of the Indian Students' Department, July 1913 to June 1914. East India (Agriculture). East India (Labour).

Copy of Report to the Government of India on the condition of Indian Immigrants in four (Industrious British Colonies and Surinam. Part I, Trinidad and British Guiana. Part II, Surinam, Jamaica, Fiji, and General Remarks.

Copy of Report on Supplies of Home-grown Board of Pit-wood in England and Wales.

Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council Education on Education in Scotland, 1st February 1915, amending the Minute of 23rd July 1912 providing for Grants in Aid of Educational Expenditure approved by the Department under Section 16 (1) (f) of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908.

Copy of Regulations, dated 10th December 1914, made by the Scotch Education Department, for Grants to School Boards in respect of the Medical Treatment of necessitous School Children.

Copy of the Fifty-eighth Annual Report on Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Scotland, for 1912. F.
Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for the year 1913.

Copy of Statistics relating to Receipts and Expenditure of Local Education Authorities in the financial year 1913-14.

Copy of the Annual Report for 1913 of the Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education.

Copy of Seventh Annual Report of the Governing Body of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, South Kensington, for the year ending 31st August 1914.

Copy of Regulations amending the Regulations for Technical Schools, Schools of Art, and other forms of provision for further Education in England and Wales (in force from 1st August 1914).

Copy of Regulations for the Training of Teachers of Domestic Subjects.

Copy of Special Regulations for Grants in Aid of Instruction for men serving with the Colours (Supplementary to the Regulations for Technical Schools, &c., 1914-15).

Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and British Possessions, 1913. Supplement to Volumes I. and II. Abstract and detailed Tables showing the Trade between the United Kingdom and each Foreign Country and British Possession according to the system of classification in force in 1508 and previous years, with a prefatory Memorandum.


Copy of Seventeenth Abstract of Labour Statistics of the United Kingdom.

Copy of Reports to the Board of Trade upon the supply of imported Pit-timber, with special reference to the resources of Newfoundland and the Maritime Provinces of Eastern Canada.

Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the state of Employment in the United Kingdom in December 1914.

Copy of Supplement to the Report of the Board of Trade on the state of Employment in the United Kingdom in December 1914. District Reports and Tables.

Copy of First Report of the Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Trade to consider and report on the subdivision of Merchant Ships (Foreign-going Passenger Steamers). Volume I. Report and Appendices.

Copy of Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland on the Southern Inland Fisheries of Ireland for the year 1913.

Copy of Report of proceedings for the year 1913 by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, for 1908.


Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land and Irish Land Purchase Acts during the months of May and June 1914.

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 1914.

Copy of Return giving particulars of cases Evicted in which persons had been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during Act, 1907, the quarter ended 30th June 1914.

Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law Act (Ireland) Act, 1887, of the number of (Ireland) Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland during Notice, the quarter ended the 30th September 1914.

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

Mr. Berrill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the Board of Education of the County Borough of Salford, dividing Polling District No. 1 in Kersal Ward into two Polling Districts.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the Board of Education of the County of Middlesex, dividing the Parliamentary Polling Districts and assigning Polling Places thereto.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the Board of Education of the City of Manchester, dividing the six Division of the Parliamentary Borough of Manchester into Polling Districts.

Copies of Licences granted to two Convicts, discharging them from Aylesbury Prison on condition that they enter a Farm Servitude Act (Conditional Licence).

Copy of Licence granted to James Saunders under the Penal Servitude Acts, to which is annexed a condition other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1884.

Copy of Scheme approved by the Secretary of State for the Home Department in pursuance of Section 5 (3) (a) of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907, for Holidays in respect of the Paisley Female House of Refuge, Lady Lane, Paisley, in substitution of the Scheme approved on the 9th January 1913.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 19th day of February in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the amounts of the Grants made during each of the last Six years by Governments of the self-governing Dominions, Crown and other Colonies, and Protectorates to Rifle Associations for the encouragement of Rifle Shooting, and for the maintenance and expenses of Colonial representative Rifle Teams, Orderd, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the work of the Central Midwives Board for the year ended 31st March 1914.

Mr. Joseph Pease also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1898 and 1913, dated 28th November 1914 and 7th January 1915, (1) extending Sections 34–6 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, to the Protectorates of East Africa, Nyasaland, Southern Rhodesia, Swaziland, Wel-laï, we, and Zambul; (2) amending the Orders in Council of 1908 and 1910 with regard to Crown Lands and Native Areas in Swaziland.

Copies of Ten Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885, dated 28th November, 17th December, 18th December 1914, and 7th January 1915, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty made under the provisions of the Act.

Copy of Statue made by the University of Oxford under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on 27th October 1914, and sealed on the same date, amending the existing Statutes of the University concerning (1) the Linacre Professor of Comparative Anatomy, and (2) the Rawlinson and Basworth Professor of Anglo-Saxon

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of King's College, Cambridge, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on 13th June 1914, and sealed on 14th September 1914, amending Statute C, Chapter i, Statute E, Chapter ii, Statute E, Chapter iii, and Statute F, for the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Order in Council under the Prize Courts Act, 1894, dated 28th November 1914, amending the Rules finally sanctioned by the Order in Council of 17th September 1914, as to the procedure and practice of Prize Courts.

Copy of Order in Council under the Welsh Church Act, 1914, dated 7th January 1915, confirming General Rules framed by the Commissioners under the Act.

Orderd, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the West Highland Railway (Extension from Banavie to Mallaig), and to Unemployment Insurance, be printed.

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of amended Rules for the asking of questions in the Madras Legislative Council.

Copy of Proclamation creating an Executive Council for the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh.

Copy of amended Rules (1) for the asking of questions; (2) for the discussion of matters of general public interest; (3) for the discussion of the Annual Financial Statement of Government in the Bombay Legislative Council.

Return of all Loans raised in India under the East India provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable (Loans raised in India.)

Copy of Draft Certificate of the Board of Railway Companies' Trade extending the time limited for the sale of the East London Railway Company's superfund Lands.

Orderd, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the West Highland Railway (Extension from Banavie to Mallaig), and to Unemployment Insurance, be printed.

Mr. Holbrooke presented, pursuant to the Post Office directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Inland Post Amendment (No. 15) Warrant, 1914, dated 18th December 1914.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 68) Warrant, 1914, (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post) dated 31st December 1914.

Copy of Account showing the money issued out of the Consolidated Fund; the money borrowed and the Securities created in respect thereof; and the expenditure under the Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1913, for the No. 68. period ended 31st March 1914.

Orderd, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1913 (Account, 1913–14), be printed.
Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Estimate of further sum required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1915.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order, dated 27th July 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Subsidiary Employments) Consolidation Order, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 24th July 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Special Customs) Consolidated Order, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 24th July 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Employers' Customs) (Scotland) Consolidation Order, 1914.

Copy of Special Order, dated 24th July 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Customs) Consolidation Order (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of Provisional Special Order, dated 31st August 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Normal Rate of Remuneration) Provisional Order (Scotland), 1914 (No. 1).

Copy of Special Order, dated 22nd December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Normal Rate of Remuneration) Order (Scotland), 1914 (No. 1).

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Wales), 1914.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 31st December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Payments to Insurance Committees) Regulations (Wales), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Payments to Insurance Committees) Regulations (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th November 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Amalgamation and Transfer of Engagements) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th November 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Withdrawal of Approval) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Payments to Insurance Committees) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd December 1914, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (No. 2), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Scotland), 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Scotland), 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Scotland), 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Scotland), 1914 (No. 2).

Copy of Regulations, dated 14th January 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Married Women's Special Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 14th January 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Married Women's Special Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1914.
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Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 9th January 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 26th January 1915, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Decision of Questions) Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 26th January 1915, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

Copy of Order, dated 9th December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Dundee Boundaries Extension) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order, dated 30th December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Dundee Boundaries Extension) Order, 1914 (No. 2).

Appropriation Account for Army Services for 1913–14, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Army.

Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1913–14, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Appropriation Account of the sums granted by Parliament for the expense of the Ordnance Factories, the cost of the productions of which have been charged to the Army, Navy, and Indian and Colonial Governments, &c., and of the Statement of the surplus and deficits upon the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.


Account prepared by the War Office under the provisions of the Military Works Acts, 1897, 1899, 1901, and 1904, showing the amount expended and borrowed and the Securities created under the Acts, for the year ended 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital (for Services other than those voted by Parliament) in the year ended 31st March 1914, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.


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 1913 and the 31st March 1914, and of the Liabilities and Assets of the Treasury Chest on the latter day, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Land Registry (New Buildings) Act, 1900, and of the expenditure; the money borrowed and the Securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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Copy of the Appropriation Account of the Army for 1913–14, with the Report of the Appropriation Account of the Army. No. 96.

Copy of Abstract Account of the Receipts and Revenue Departments Appropriation Accounts in the period ended 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services, Classes I. to VIII., and for the Revenue Departments, for the year ending 31st March 1914; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and certain Reports upon Store Accounts.

Account of the moneys paid out of the Consolidated Fund under the Acts 2 & 3 Will. 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for interest and sinking fund on that part of the Greek Loan which is guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to 31st December 1914.

Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the Public Works Site (Dublin) Act, 1903, and of the expenditure; the money expended and borrowed and the Securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts showing the moneys issued under the provisions of the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Act, 1895, &c., out of the Consolidated Fund, the money borrowed and the Securities created in respect thereof, and the expenditure, under the provisions of the Acts to the 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copies of Treasury Minutes under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 3rd December and 30th December 1914, and 7th January and 22nd January (two) 1915, granting retired allowances to Mr. William Vesey Harrel, C.B., M.V.O., late Assistant Commissioner of the Dublin Metropolitan Police; Charles Cowburn, Overseer, Port Office, York; Robert North, Second Division Clerk, Admiralty; John William Millard, Overseer, Post Office, Blandford; and William Charles Bristow, Overseer, Post Office, Blandford, respectively.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 9th January 1915, sanctioning the letting by the Kingstown Harbour Commissioners of a quarry at Dalkey to the Dalkey Rifle Club.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 15th January 1915, sanctioning the letting to the Irish Lights Commissioners of certain plots of land at Kingstown Harbour for increased storage accommodation.

Copy of Treasury Order, dated 28th December County Courts Board, 1914, regulating Fees in County Courts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee), National Health Insurance (Joint Committee (Regulations)), National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), and of the National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Joint Committee (Regulations)), National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), and National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), and National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations).
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The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 47 (Glasgow, No. 14) (Institution of a Degree in Science in Applied Chemistry), of the Commissioners under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Copy of Act of Sederunt to regulate procedure in Scotland under the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance), 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 Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, and the number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatic Asylums, between the 1st April 1914 and the 30th September 1914.

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court (Poor Persons), 1914, dated 18th December 1914.

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated 18th December 1914.

Copy of additional Rule under the Clergy Discipline Act, 1892, dated 22nd October 1914.

Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefices Acts, 1860 and 1898, for effecting an union of the Benefices of Saint Saviour, Southwark, and Saint Peter, Southwark.

Copy of Annual Accounts of Exchequer Bills and other Government Securities purchased, and amount and balance of sums issued for the payment of Dividends, &c., for the year ended 5th January 1915.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of England be printed.

The Clerk of the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 24th day of November 1914, laid upon the Table,—Special Report from the Select Committee on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants), with Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered, That the Special Report be printed.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had issued, during the Adjournment of the House, a 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 Sheffield (Attercliffe Division), in the room of Joseph Pointer, Esquire, deceased.

The Right Honourable Sir James Brown Dougherty, K.C.C., K.C.V.O., Member for the Borough of Loudon, was sworn.

William Crawford Anderson, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Sheffield (Attercliffe Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Northern Part 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 West Riding of Yorkshire (Shipley Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Percy Holden Illingworth, deceased,—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Swansea Borough (Swansea District) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Norwich Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Writ.

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Mr. Gulland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 14.]

Wednesday, 3rd February 1915.

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 the Council to Mr. Speaker, 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.—

Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.);

Altrincham Gas.

Ashington Urban District Council.

Brighton and Hove Gas.

Bristol Tramways.
Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Navy Command,—Navy Estimates for the year 1915–16.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1912. Copies of Orders made by the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—
The County Councils of Middlesex (Hanwell Urban District) and Anglesey (Holyhead Urban District).
The Council of the County Borough of Dudley.
The Councils of the Boroughs of Ealing and Darwen.
The Council of the Urban District of Leek.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty’s Board of Education,—Copy of Minute of the Board of Education, dated 3rd February 1915, modifying the Regulations applicable to Schools for Blind, Deaf, Defective, and Epileptic Children, dated 19th July 1909, as already modified by the Minutes dated 27th June 1910 and 17th July 1914.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5422 and 5424.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty’s Army Command,—Estimate of the Effective and Non-Effective Services of the Army for the year 1915–16.

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

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders numbered D.I.P. 150, 151, 153, 154, 156–162, 164, and 165, declaring the areas in the respective Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules as to the application of the Teachers’ Salaries Grant in Ireland.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the several British Self-governing Dominions, Crown Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates, in each year from 1859 to 1913. Fifty-first Number.

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

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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 the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills (Lords.)

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.:

Altrincham Gas.
Ashington Urban District Council.
Brighton and Hove Gas.
Bristol Tramways.
Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum.
Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board.
Falmouth Docks.
Frimley and Farnborough District Water.
Ilfracombe Gas.
Mersey Railway.
Neath Canal Navigation.
Northwich Gas.
Ormskirk Gas and Electricity.
Plymouth Corporation.
Prescot Gas.
Rotherham Corporation.
Salop County Council.
Sheffield Corporation (Tramways).
South Shields Corporation.
South Staffordshire Water.
Spenymoor and Tudhoe Gas.
Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge).
Sutton District Water.
Warwick Gas.
West Gloucestershire Water.
Wolverhampton Corporation Water.
Yorkshire Electric Power.

Committees on Private Bills, have power to sit on Friday notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 15.]
Thursday, 4th February 1915.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, until the House otherwise determines, and so far as the House does not otherwise determine, on every day on which the House sits—

(1) Government Business do have precedence;
(2) At the conclusion of Government Business Mr. Speaker shall propose the Question, That this House do now adjourn, and, if that Question shall not have been agreed to, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House, without Question put, not later than one hour after the conclusion of Government Business if that Business has been concluded before 10.30 p.m., but, if that Business has not been so concluded, not later than 11.30 p.m.;
(3) If the day be a Thursday the House shall at its rising stand adjourned until the following Monday;
(4) Any Private Business set down for consideration at a quarter-past Eight of the clock on any day shall, if Government Business is concluded before that time, be taken at the conclusion of Government Business, and, for the purposes of the preceding provisions of this Order, shall be deemed to be Government Business—(The Prime Minister);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5, by leaving out from the beginning thereof to the end of l. 11.—(Mr. Hogge.)

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, until the House otherwise determines, and so far as the House does not otherwise determine, on every day on which the House sits—

(1) Government Business do have precedence;
(2) At the conclusion of Government Business Mr. Speaker shall propose the Question, That this House do now adjourn, and, if that Question shall not have been agreed to, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House, without Question put, not later than one hour after the conclusion of Government Business if that Business has been concluded before 10.30 p.m., but, if that Business has not been so concluded, not later than 11.30 p.m.;
(3) If the day be a Thursday the House shall at its rising stand adjourned until the following Monday;
(4) Any Private Business set down for consideration at a quarter-past Eight of the clock on any day shall, if Government Business is concluded before that time, be taken at the conclusion of Government Business, and, for the purposes of the preceding provisions of this Order, shall be deemed to be Government Business.

Ordered, That, until the House otherwise determines, all Select Committees, including Committee of Ways and Means:

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means.

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That, until the House otherwise determines, all Select Committees, including Committees on Private Bills, have power to sit on Friday notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Order of the day being read, for the Supply.

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That, until the House otherwise determines, all Select Committees, including Committees on Private Bills, have power to sit on Friday notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(Mr. Joseph Pease.)

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 15.]
Thursday, 4th February 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills (Lords.)

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.:

Altrincham Gas.
Ashington Urban District Council.
Brighton and Hove Gas.
Bristol Tramways.
Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum.
Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board.
Falmouth Docks.
Frimley and Farnborough District Water.
Ilfracombe Gas.
Mersey Railway.
Neath Canal Navigation.
Northwich Gas.
Ormskirk Gas and Electricity.
Plymouth Corporation.
Prescot Gas.
Rotherham Corporation.
Salop County Council.
Sheffield Corporation (Tramways).
South Shields Corporation.
South Staffordshire Water.
Spenymoor and Tudhoe Gas.
Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge).
Sutton District Water.
Warwick Gas.
West Gloucestershire Water.
Wolverhampton Corporation Water.
Yorkshire Electric Power.
And they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following cases, viz.:

- Aberdeen Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.)
- Halifax Corporation.

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

- Aberdeen Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) [Lords].
- Halifax Corporation [Lords].

Ordered, That the Reports 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 the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

- London County Council (Tramways and Improvements).

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill;

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

A Bill to empower the Ammanford Urban District Council to construct sewerage works and street improvements, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Ascot District Gas and Electricity Company to raise additional capital, 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 Barnoldswick to construct new waterworks and to acquire additional lands; to confer further powers on the Council in regard to their water undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Blyth Harbour Commissioners to construct a toll bridge over the River Blyth, with approaches thereto; to construct new piers or breakwaters, 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 provide for the transfer of the undertaking of the Chelmsford Gas Company to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chelmsford, and to confer further powers on that Corporation with respect to the supply of gas, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Doncaster to construct an additional tramway; to confer further powers on them in regard to their tramway, electricity, and gas undertakings, and with respect to the disposal of trade refuse, and to make further provision for the improvement, health, and good government 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 authorise the Corporation of Doncaster to construct street improvements; to confer upon the Corporation further powers with reference to their water and gas undertakings; to make better provision for the health, local government, and finance of the Borough of Doncaster, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to incorporate the Friends' Provident Institution and to provide for the management of its affairs, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Great Central Railway Company to use certain lands for railway purposes; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of lands and for the completion of works; to enable the Company to raise further capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for conferring further powers upon the Great Eastern Railway Company; for Railway Bill, extending the time limited by former Acts for the completion of works and the purchase of lands by the Company, and for the purchase of lands by the Great Northern and Great Eastern Joint Committee, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Lincoln to acquire lands; and extinguish the rights of the freemen of the city and others in or in respect of the commons in and adjoining the city, and to make provision for the management thereof; to provide and work trolley vehicles and motor omnibuses; to make further provision with regard to the supply of gas and electricity, and with regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the city, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Corporation of the City of Liverpool to acquire further lands; to extend the powers of the Corporation with
respects to the leasing of corporate land, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to enable the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company to raise further capital, 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 London County Council with regard to parks and open spaces, the drainage of premises in the Administrative County of London, and other matters; to confer various powers upon Metropolitan Borough Councils, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to constitute a Company with powers to supply electrical energy in an area comprising the Administrative County of London and adjacent areas; to transfer to such Company certain existing undertakings, and to make provision for improving the supply of electrical energy; to make provisions for transferring the undertaking of the Company to the London County Council or other public body; for authorising agreements or arrangements between the Company and the London County Council or other public body, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to provide for the transfer of the undertaking of the Lurgan Gas Light and Chemical Company, Limited, to the Urban District Council of Lurgan; to confer further powers on the Council with respect to the supply of gas, electricity, and water, and to make further and better provision for the improvement, health, and local government of the district, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to constitute and incorporate the Trustees of the Methodist Church in Ireland, and to vest in them certain trust properties for the said Church, and to provide for the administration of those properties, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make further provision respecting the capital and undertaking of the Metropolitan District Railway Company; to confer further powers on the London and South Western Railway Company in respect of their Wimborne and Fullham Railway, and on the Wimborne and Sutton Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Metropolitan Water Board to make waterworks and other works and to acquire lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to transfer to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Nottingham part of the undertaking of the Trent Navigation Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Rhondda Urban District Council to construct additional tramways; to make street improvements; to confer upon the Council further powers in relation to their Extensions, gas and water undertakings, and for the better local government and improvement of the district, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to enable the Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Company to create and issue a capital stock guaranteed by the Great Central and Great Northern Railway Companies; to revise the powers and extend the time for the completion of the Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Southend Waterworks Company to construct new works; to raise Water Bill.

A Bill to empower the Commissioners of the Trent Navigation Company to construct a new bridge and approaches across the Thames between Streteley and Goring, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Weardale and Consett Water Company to construct additional works, Consett Water Bill.

A Bill to authorise the construction of railways in the County of Nottingham and the West Riding of the County of York, 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.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Intermediate Education (Ireland), which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant February, be printed.

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the additional numbers of Officers and Men required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1915.

Mr. Churchill also presented, pursuant to the said sittings directions 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 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 1913–14.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table, and be printed; and that the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations for Day Schools in Scotland, 1915.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Writ 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 Scarborough, in the room of Walter Russell Read, Esq., who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain, and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland. — (Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Wigtown Writ 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 Wigtown, in the room of John James Dalrymple (commonly called Viscount Dalrymple), now Earl of Stair, called up to the House of Peers. — (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his York County Writ 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 York (Thirsk and Malton Division), in the room of Charles William Reginald Duncombe (commonly called Viscount Helmsley), now Earl of Fife, called up to the House of Peers. — (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his County of York Writ 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 York (Howdenshire Division), in the room of Colonel Henry Broadley Harrison-Broadley, deceased. — (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1914–15.

Class I.

1. £40,000, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, 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.

Class II.

2. £60,000, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for His Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

3. £100, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Commissioner of Charitable Donations and Requests for Ireland.

Class III.

4. £60,650, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

5. £2,500, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.
6. £13,996, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

Class IV.

7. £460, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank, including a Grant in Aid for the purchase of Pictures.

8. £5,000, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Institutions of Science and Art in Dublin and of the Geological Survey of Ireland, and Annual Grants to Schools and Classes of Science and Art and Technical Instruction, including sundry Grants in Aid, administered by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

Class V.

9. £2,000, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for the Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies and a Grant in Aid of the Annual Expenses of the Pacific Cable.

10. £10,759, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for making good the net loss on transactions connected with the raising of money for the various Treasury Chests Abroad in the year 1913-14.

Class VI.

11. £21,000, Supplementary sum, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, for Superannuation, Compensation, Compassionate and additional Allowances and gratuities under sundry Statutes, for Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

Resolutions to be reported.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £91,000 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 1915, for the Salaries of the Staff and other Expenses of Labour Exchanges, including the Contribution to the Unemployment Insurance Fund and repayments to Associations pursuant to Sections 85 and 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and certain additional repayments to Associations:

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

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 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 the Ways and Means Committee:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ordered, That the Committee of Ways and Means shall proceed, upon Monday next, without a Question first put, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And 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, at twenty-two minutes before Six of the clock, without a Question first put, till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February.

[No. 16.]

Monday, 8th February 1915.

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

Prayers.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Liverpool, and Citizens of the City of Liverpool, praying Corporation Bill.

That provision may be made in the Liverpool Corporation Bill for the representation of the Boroughs of Birkenhead, Bootle, and Wallasey, and the Urban Districts of Bebington and Bromborough, upon the Port Sanitary Authority and the Port Sanitary and Hospitals Committee of the Corporation of Liverpool, was presented, and read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the 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 1914, 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.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Boiler Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of the Board of Trade upon the working of the Boilers Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890, during the year ending 30th June 1914, with Appendices.

Mr. Runciman also presented,—Return to Trade and Navigation, for a Return relative to Trade and Navigation.
Mr. Runceman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th November 1914, made by the Board of Trade, varying the Regulations of 22nd July 1910, under Section 12 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, as to the constitution of District Trade Committees.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return giving particulars of cases in which persons had been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 30th September 1914.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Urban District Council of Lurgan under the Shops Act, 1912.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the total quantities of British Spirituous and Other Liquor, distinguished in the Customs Accounts, for the month of November 1914.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 5th February 1915, relating to East India (India Office, Retirement at Sixty-five).

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

Mr. Secretary M'Kenna presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted to a Convict under the Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Acts, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Anglesey (Menai Bridge Urban District), and County Borough of Sunder-land.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of June in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return, so far as particulars are available, as to (i) the cost of the provision made by Local Authorities for housing persons of the working classes, in pursuance of improvement schemes and reconstruction schemes under Parts I. and II. of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, and the charge, if any, on the rates in respect thereof; (ii) the cost of schemes for the provision of houses for the working classes under Part III. of the said Act, and the charge, if any, on the rates in respect thereof; and (iii) the cost of housing schemes under Section 3 and the Schedule of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1909, and the charge, if any, on the rates in respect thereof. (Return to apply to London County Council, Town Councils of county boroughs, and Metropolitan Borough Councils.)

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, numbered D.I.P. 132, under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1897, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the West African Currency Board for the year 1914 (without the annexes).

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken in Lon- don in June and July 1914 and Papers laid before the Royal Commission on the Natural Resources, Trade, and Legislation of certain portions of His Majesty's Dominions.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament with the County of Antrim (Mid Antrim Division), in the room of the Honourable Arthur Edward Brooke O'Neill, killed in action.—(Lord Edmund Tolbot.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the total quantities of British Spirituous and Other Liquor in Scotland, distinguishing the quantities in distilleries and general warehouses, on the 31st day of January 1914 and the 31st day of October 1914 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 155 of Session 1914).—(Sir John Dewar.)

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 Copy of Report of the Committee appointed to investigate the question of Prices in India. —(Sir Herbert Roberts.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts relating to the Trade and Commerce of certain Foreign Countries and British Possessions for each month of 1915.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statements, for each month of the year 1915, of the number of Papists relieved in England and Wales (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 111 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Herbert Lewis.)

Edward Hilton Young, Esquire, Member for New Member the Borough of Norwich, was sworn.

The Order of the day being read, for the supply of the Committee of Supply.
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—(Mr. Acland);—

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 "the action of the Press Bureau in restricting the freedom of the Press and in withholding information about the War has been guided by no clear principles, and has been calculated to cause suspicion and discontent"—(Mr. King)—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.)

Army Estimates, 1915-16.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 3,000,000, 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 1916:

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

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, to-morrow, 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 4th 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Streatham and Goring Bridge Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Weardale and Consett Water Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. William Abrahorn (Dublin Harbour), Sir John Barlow, Sir Daniel Goddard, Mr. Laurence Hardy, Mr. Holmes, Colonel Lockwood, Sir John Lovat, Sir William Priestley, Mr. George Roberts, Sir Herbert Roberts, and Mr. Samuel Roberts were nominated Members of the Committee of Selection. — (Sir Daniel Goddard.)

Standing Orders.

Mr. Vaughan-Davies, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Mr. George Faber, Lord Claud Hamilton, Sir Charles Nicholson, Mr. Parker, Mr. Pike Pease, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. Eugene Wason, and Mr. John William Wilson were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Standing Orders. — (Mr. Vaughan-Davies.)

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1877 and 1907, declaring a certain area to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Area) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., No. 166).

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring a certain area to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Area) Order of 1914 (D.I.P., No. 166).

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

Mr. Rowseman presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Foreign Trade and Commerce.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Registration of Branches) (Ireland) Order, 1914 (No. 2).

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 18.]

Wednesday, 10th February 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Anmanford Urban District Council Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Barnoldswick Urban District Council Water Bill.

The Barnoldswick Urban District Council Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Chelmsford Corporation Gas Bill.

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

Dewsbury Corporation Bill.

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

Doncaster Corporation Bill.

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

Friends' Provident Institution Bill.

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

Great Central Railway Bill.

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

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the London District Joint Water Board Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan District Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Water Board Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Nottingham Corporation (Trent Navigation Transfer) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Seahurst and Sefton Junction Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Seahurst and Sefton Junction Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Streatley and Goring Bridge Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Weardale and Consett Water 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 Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill:

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

Mr. Ranuccius, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Summary 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 September 1914; together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to East India (Rise in Prices).

Resolved, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to School Attendance between the Board of Education and certain Local Education Authorities since the outbreak of War.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Institutions approved by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners under the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1913, for the treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis in Wales (including Monmouthshire).

Resolved, That Mr. Acland also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to the National Gallery.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 6th February 1915, granting a retired allowance to John William Garden, Minor Staff Clerk, Board of Education.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return 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 Borough of Liverpool (Kirkdale Division), to the same was 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.

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 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 Supply [4th Report from the Committee of Supply of February]; the Report of the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—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.
[No. 19.]

Thursday, 11th February 1915.

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.:—

River Glen Improvement.

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

Ordered, That the London Electric Supply Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant February.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended in the last Session of Parliament), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended in the last Session of Parliament), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

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

The Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dewsbury 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 Doncaster 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 Friends' Provident Institution 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 Great Central Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Great Eastern Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Liverpool Corporation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan District Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Water Board Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Nottingham Corporation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Southend Water Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Wearside and Sefton Junction Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Workop and Bawtry Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, copies of orders made by the councils of the local authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

- County of Devon, Bradninch Parish (two)
- Urban Districts of Swinton and Pendlebury (two), and Maesteg

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


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Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, copies of orders in council under the General Prisons (Ireland) Act, 1877, and the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, dated 4th February 1915, approving of rules made by the Lord Lieutenant and the General Prisons Board with respect to visiting committees and the government of ordinary prisons in Ireland.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, return to an address to His Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant February, for a return relative to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, copy of return under the destructive insects and pests acts, 1877 and 1887, numbered D.I.P. 115, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with wart disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the wart disease of potatoes (infected areas) order of 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command, copy of colonial report, No. 831 (Uganda, report for 1913-14).

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

Mr. Secretary Reports (Afric.) presented, by His Majesty's Command, copy of report for 1913 on blackwater fever in the tropical African Dependencies.

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

Mr. Buncombe presented, by His Majesty's Command, copy of return showing, for each month of the year 1915, (1) the numbers of the passengers that left permanent residence in the United Kingdom to take up permanent residence in places out of Europe, and the numbers that arrived from places out of Europe to take up permanent residence in the United Kingdom; and (2) the number of passengers that left or arrived in the United Kingdom or from places out of Europe, and the number of passengers between the United Kingdom and ports on the Continent of Europe or within the Mediterranean Sea.

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

Mr. Robertson presented a bill to enable national contributions to be made for the purpose of Part II of the National Insurance Act, 1911, (amendment) by workmen employed abroad in insured trades. Bill Bill 28, present war: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Runciman, supported by Mr. Robertson, presented a bill to restrict the transfer of British ships to persons not qualified to own British ships: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on the Motion relating to necessaries of life (prices) have precedence this day of the business of supply.

—(The Prime Minister.)

A motion was made, and the question being necessary proposed, that this House regrets the rise in the price of necessaries of life, and calls upon the Government to use every endeavour to prevent a continuance of this unfortunate consequence of war, which is causing much hardship, especially to the poor: (Mr. Ferens): — And a debate arising thereupon; a motion was made, and the question being put, that the debate be now adjourned:—(Mr. Barnes); — It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

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 supplying the supply Committee of supply: the 4th day of this instant February; 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 4th day of this instant February; 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 10th day of this instant February; ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means; resolved, that this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A motion being made, that this House will, Irish police upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the grant out of moneys provided by Parliament, of certain pensions.

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Pensions and allowances in respect of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police who are Reservists or join the Naval or Military Forces—(Mr. Galland);

Mr. Runciman, 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February.

[No. 20.]

Monday, 15th February 1915.

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.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) 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 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 cases, viz.:

Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board.

Mullingar and Kells Railway.

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

Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board [Lords].

Mullingar and Kells Railway [Lords].

Ordered, That the Reports 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.:

Liverpool Corporation Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Blyth Harbour Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dewsbury Corporation Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Provident Institution Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rhonda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) 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 Seahurst and Sefton Junction Railway 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 Southend Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday 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 Weardale and Consett Water 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 Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill;

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

A Bill to enable the Skegness Urban District Council to acquire the undertaking of the Skegness Gas Company, and to confer upon the Council powers in relation to the supply of gas, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1897, numbered D.I.P. 163 and 167, declaring the areas described in the respective Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant January, to a Return relative to Current Constituencies (Electors, &c.) (United Kingdom).

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of proceedings under the Land Law Acts, the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883 to 1891, and the Land Purchase Acts, of the Irish Land Commission during the month of October 1914.

Copy of Returns of Local Taxation in Ireland for the year 1913-14, collected and compiled under the direction of the Local Government Board for Ireland by desire of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

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

Mr. Secretary Macdonnell, K.C.B., LL.D., and King's Remembrancer, Senior Master of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Secretary M'Lennan also presented,—Parliamentary Constituencies Statistics for England and Wales, 1913. Part II. Civil Statistics.

Mr. Secretary M'Lennan also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1912,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the United District of Edinburgh, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Shops Act, 1912.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Savings Banks Twenty-third Annual Report of the proceedings of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks, for the year ended 20th November 1914, with Appendices.

(1) An Account of the gross amount of all National Dole sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on accounts of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1914;—(2) An Account of the several transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1914, 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:—(3) A Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to the trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively on 20th November 1914, &c.

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

Mr. Secretary Harecourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Reports, No. 832 (Nyasaland, Report for 1913-14).

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 all Applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England for advances to Government authorised by Parliament, from 5th January 1914 to 5th January 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

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Rhonda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Bill.

Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill.

Southend Water Bill.

Weardale and Consett Water Bill.

Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill.

Skegness Urban District Gas Bill.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907.

Papierism (England and Wales) (Monthly Statements) No. 119.

Merchant Shipping (Subdivision of Ships.)

Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898.

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New Members sworn.

The Right Honourable Edwin Samuel Montagu, Member for the County of Cambridge (Western or Cheshunt Division), was sworn.

Edward Russellborough Tirlot, Esquire, Member for the County of York, North Riding (Thirsk and Malton Division), was sworn.

Arthur Cecil Tyrell Beek, Esquire, Member for the County of Essex (Northern or Saffron Walden Division), was sworn.

Supply (Navy Estimates.)

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.—(Mr. Churchill):—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 recognising the necessity for employing merchant shipping on military business, trusts that the government will exercise their rights with due regard to the needs of the traders and consumers of this country"—(Sir Robert Price),—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 of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1915–16.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That 250,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Dr. Macnamara),—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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance Act (Part II. 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 British Ships (Transfer Restriction) 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 10th day of this instant February:

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 February; 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Irish Police into a Committee on Irish Police (Naval and Military Services) [Pensions, &c.].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the grant of certain Pensions and other allowances in respect of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police who are Reservists or join the Naval or Military Forces.—(Mr. T. W. Russell.)

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Ordered the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 21.]

Tuesday, 16th February 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Local Government Provisional Orders Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the capital and of the income derived from the Lands and other property held for the benefit of Greenwich Hospital, and the Foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire, for the year ended on 31st March 1914; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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


Copies of Orders made under the Local Government Act, 1888, by several County Government Councils, and approved by the Local Government Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Actland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated 31st December 1914, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors, Adjustment of Accounts) Order (Scotland), 1914.

Copy of Reports of Decisions on Appeals and Applications under Section 67 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and Section 27 of the National Insurance Act, 1913.

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

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post Amendment (No. 12) Warrant, 1914. Dated 31st December 1914.

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

Deaths from Starvation or accelerated by Privation (England and Wales.) Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Deaths in England and Wales in the year 1914 upon which a coroner's jury has returned a verdict of Death from Starvation, of Death accelerated by Privation; together with 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. 452 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Herbert Lewis.)

Duke of Schomberg. Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 12th day of February 1915, on the subject of commuting part of the Pension granted to the first Duke of Schomberg, now payable to Mr. R. C. Powys and Mr. E. R. Morres. (Mr. Acland.)

New Member sworn.

Thomas Jeremiah Williams, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Swansea (Swansea District), was sworn.

Sir Robert 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.

Chairman's Panel.

Sir Daniel Goddard reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Eight Members to be the Chairman's Panel:—Sir Edwin Cornwall, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. Arthur Stanley, Mr. Stuart-Wortley, Mr. Eugene Wason, and Mr. John William Wilson.

Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

Sir Daniel Goddard further reported from the Committee; That in pursuance of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, they had selected the following Fifteen Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners:—Mr. Ainsworth, Major Austruther-Grey, Sir Harry Crach, Mr. Currie, Sir John Dewar, Mr. Eslemont, Mr. Harry Hope, Mr. John Dean Hope, Mr. Mackinder, Mr. Morton, Sir John M'Collum, Mr. Price, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Wylie.

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Sir Daniel Goddard further reported from the Chairman's Committee; That in pursuance of Section 1, paragraph (3), of the Parliament Act, 1911, they had appointed Mr. Stuart-Wortley and Mr. under the Parliament Act, 1911., with whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before giving his Certificate to a Money Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.) Navy Estimates, 1915-16.

1. 250,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines for the Sea and Coast Guard Services.

2. £1,000 for Wages, &c. to Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines.

Resolutions to be reported.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and 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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Walter Ren.)

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

[No. 22.] Wednesday, 17th February 1915.

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 County Council (General Powers) Bill;

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Mainsce Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make through out a new Writ for the electing of a Member
to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Maidstone, in the room of Charles Stewart Henry, Marquis of Londonderry, formerly a Member of this House, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Cheltham Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—

(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum being offered to be presented—(Mr. Secretary Harcourt);

Mr. Secretary Harcourt, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty having been apprised 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 for 1915-16 to seven hundred and fifty pounds; of a bequest of the late Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to about three hundred and sixty-five pounds; and have effect as if Egypt and Cyprus were included in the prohibited countries and parts of the world, and have effect as if Egypt and Cyprus were included in the prohibited countries and parts of the world, and have effect as if Egypt and Cyprus were included in the prohibited countries and parts of the world, and have effect as if Egypt and Cyprus were included in the prohibited countries and parts of the world.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt, by His Colonial Majesty's Command, presented, by His Colonial Reports. No. 833 (British Guiana, Report for 1913-14).

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

Miss Hamilton Dolgely (commonly called New Members of the Honourable Miss Hamilton Dolgely), sworn.

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions, which were read as follows:

1. That in the case of the River Glyn: the Standing Improvement Order ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the London Electric Supply Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the following Petitions:

(a) Bethnal Green Borough Council;
(b) Essex County Council;
(c) Stepney Borough Council;
(f) Surrey County Council,

the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

3. That in the case of the Metropolitan Water Board Bill, Petition for dispending with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of the Surrey County Council, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

4. That in the case of the River Wear and Weardale Water Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of Owners, Lessees, and Occupiers of Land, Houses, Shops, Manufactories, and other properties, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

5. That in the case of the Streatley and Goring Bridge Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of the Conservators of the River Thames, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

6. That in the case of the Metropolitan District Railway Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of Owners, Lessees, and Occupiers of Lands, Houses, Shops, Manufactories, and other properties, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Mr. Tennant presented a Bill to amend the Army Act: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to amend the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914: 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, That this House regrets the rise in the price of the Necessities of Life, and calls upon the Government to use every endeavour to prevent a continuance of this unfortunate consequence of war, which is causing much hardship, especially to the poor.—(Mr. Ferrers);

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. 5, by leaving out from the first word "to" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "or prevent a continuance of this unjustifiable increase by employing the shipping and railway facilities necessary to put the required supplies on the market, by fixing maximum prices, and by exercising control of commodities that are or may be subject to artificial costs"—(Mr. Tootill)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

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.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do nominate a Committee, not exceeding Fifteen Members, to be called the Local Legislation 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, sanitary, or other local government regulations in conflict with, deviation from, or excess of the provisions of the general Law.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 124, 150, and 173a apply to all such Bills.

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, sanitary, or other local government 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. Cecil Harmsworth.)

The Southend Water Bill was, according to Southend Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Great Eastern Railway Bill was, Great Eastern according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The postponed proceeding on the Amendment Necessities to the Question, That this House regrets the rise in the price of the Necessities of Life, and calls upon the Government to use every endeavour to prevent a continuance of this unfortunate consequence of war, which is causing much hardship, especially to the poor, was resumed.

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

Mr. Hodge 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. William Thorne 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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Sir Arthur Markham 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.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Irish Police the Report from the Committee on Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) [Pensions, &c.];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [4th the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 4th day of this instant February;]

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [10th the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February;]

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 16th 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance Act (Part II. Amendment) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the British Ships (Transfer Restriction) 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 Medical Compassionate Fund Bill:

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Agg-Gardner, Mr. Bentham, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Rupert Gough, Colonel Henderson, Sir Ivor Herbert, Captain Howard, Colonel Lockwood, Sir John Lushdale, Mr. Macmuster, Sir Henry Norman, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Mr. William Redmond, Mr. Augustine Roche, Sir Harry Samuel, Mr. Watt, and Mr. Tyron Wilson.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Gullick.)

Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, till to-morrow.
The Nottingham Corporation (Treaty Navigation Transfer) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rimini Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Bill:

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

The Seaford and Seaton Junction Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Weardale and Cessnett Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill for the widening and improvement of the River Glen and to incorporate the Glen Bank Trustees, and to confer powers upon them and upon the Deeping Fen Trustees, 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. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Six Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 3rd February 1915, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Prize Courts Act, 1894, dated 3rd February 1915, finally approving an addition to Order 27 of the Rules as to the procedure and practice of Prize Courts.

Copy of Order in Council under the Copyright Act, 1911, admitted to be printed, and be printed.

Copy of Order in Council under the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, dated 3rd February 1915, constituting Spring Assize Counties Nos. 2 and 3 for the Spring Assizes, 1915.

Copy of Order in Council under the Government of India Act, 1858.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 10th February 1915, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 10th February 1915, prescribing the form of Indenture of Apprenticeship to the Sea Fishing Service for Boys under the age of sixteen years.

Copy of Order in Council under the Extra- dition Act, 1870, dated 10th February 1915, directing that an Ordinance of the Gold Coast Colony, entitled the Extradition Ordinance (Ashanti), 1914, shall have effect in Ashanti as if it were part of the Extradition Act, 1870.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 10th February 1915, entitled the Northern Rhodesia Order in Council, 1915.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by European His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letter of 31st July 1914, from the President of the French Republic to the King, respecting the European Crisis, and His Majesty's Reply of 1st August 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to Penal the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Licence granted to a Convict under the Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the Shops Act, undemnioned Local Authorities under the 1912, Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Kingston-upon-Hull.

County Borough of West Bromwich.

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

Mr. Achard presented, by His Majesty's Civil Services Command,—Estimate showing the several Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1916.

No. 127.

Copy of Statement of the sum required to be voted in order to make good an excess on the Re- mote Civil Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1914.

No. 128.

Mr. Achard also presented,—Return to an British Plain Order, dated the 8th day of this instant 1914, for a Return relative to British Plain Spirits in Bond (Scotland).

Ordered, That the said Estimate and the Paper relative to Civil Services (Excesses), 1913-14, be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the said Return do lie upon the Table, and be printed.

Sir Harry Verney presented, by His Majesty's Board of Sir the administration of the Grant for the encouragement and improvement of the Light Horse Breeding Industry for the year from 1st November 1913 to 31st October 1914.

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

The Prime Minister reported from the Committee Supply the dieses of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1915-16.

1. That a number of Land Forces not ex Land Forces, amounting to 3,600,000, 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 1916.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 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 1916.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Acland reported from the Committee of Supply of the 4th instant February, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1914-15.

Class I.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £40,000 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 1915 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.

Class II.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £60,000 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 1915 for His Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

3. 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.

Class III.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £50,650 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

5. 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.

6. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £13,990 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 1915 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

Class IV.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £400 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank, including a Grant in Aid for the purchase of Pictures.

8. 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Institutions of Science and Art in Dublin, and of the Geological Survey of Ireland, and Annual Grants to Schools and Classes of Science and Art and Technical Instruction, including sundry Grants in Aid, administered by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

Class V.

9. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,000 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 1915 for the Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies and a Grant in Aid of the Annual Expenses of the Pacific Cable.

10. That a sum not exceeding £10,759 be Treasury 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 1915 for making good the net loss on transactions connected with the raising of money for the various Treasury Chests Abroad in the year 1913-14.

Class VI.

11. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £81,000 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 1915 for Superannuation, Compensation, Compassionate and additional Allowances, and Grants under sundry Statutes, for Compassionate Allowances and Grannities awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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

(Navy Estimates.)


32,000 additional number of Officers, Seamen, and Boys for the Sea and Coastguard Services during the year already provided in the Navy Estimates.

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 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.

Mr. T. W. Russell reported from the Committee on Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) [Pensions, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the grant of certain Pensions and other allowances in respect of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police who are Reservists or join the Naval or Military Forces.

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. T. W. Russell do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. T. W. Russell accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the grant of certain Pensions and other allowances in respect of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police who are Reservists or join the Naval or Military Forces, and for other purposes incidental thereto: 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 of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February: 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 National Insurance Act (Part II. 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 Naval Medical Compassionate Fund 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 British Ships (Transfer Restriction) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, it being then fourteen minutes after Six of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 24.]
Monday, 22nd February 1915.
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 Bills, referred on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inspired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Southend Water Bill.
Great Eastern Railway Bill.
Friends' Provident Institution Bill.
London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be committed.


Copy of Final Report of the Royal Commission on Sewerage Disposal. General Summary of Conclusions and Recommendations:

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

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Seamen's directions of an Act of Parliament, Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen's Savings Banks under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 20th November 1913, 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 1855 to 31st March 1914; also Statement showing the Receipts and Payments in connection with the transmission of Seamen's Wages, Home and Foreign, from 1878 to 31st March 1914.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command, Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Paper relative to the Duchy of Cornwall do lie upon the Table, and be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum Bill [Lords.]

Copy of Report of the Attorney General on Plymouth Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the said Papers be referred to the Committees on the Bills.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Fourth Interim Report of the Royal Commission on the Natural Resources, Trade, and Legislation of certain portions of His Majesty's Dominions.
Copy of Colonial Report, No. 834 (Imperial Bureau of Entomology, Report for 1914).

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

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements), 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 Tramways No. 3 and No. 3a are struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with, the said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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

(1st allotted Day.)

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Public Works Loan Commission | £5
Registrar General's Office | 21,000
Stationery and Printing | 500,000
Works, Forests, &c., Office of | 10,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of | 67,000
Secret Service | 80,000

Scotland:

Secretary for Scotland, Office of | 7,000
Board of Agriculture | 25,000
Fishery Board | 8,000
General Board of Control | 12,000
Registrar General's Office | 3,500
Local Government Board | 10,000

Ireland:

Lord Lieutenant's Household | 2,500
Chief Secretary's Offices and subordinate Departments | 11,000
Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction | 5
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office | 85,000
Concluded Districts Board | 64,000
Local Government Board | 48,000
Public Record Office | 2,500
Public Works Office | 26,000
Register General's Office | 2,500
Valuation and Boundary Survey | 15,000

**CLASS III.**

United Kingdom and England:

Law Charges | 45,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses | 26,000
Supreme Court of Judicature, &c. | 150,000
Land Registry | 15,000
Public Trustee | 5
County Courts | 50,000
Police, England and Wales | 59,000
Prisons, England and the Colonies | 420,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain | 170,000
Criminal Lunatic Asylums, England | 27,000

Scotland:

Law Charges and Courts of Law | 35,000
Scottish Land Court | 4,000
Register House, Edinburgh | 18,000
Prisons | 51,000

Ireland:

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions | 30,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments | 47,000
Land Commission | 315,000
County Court Officers, &c. | 40,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police | 65,000
Royal Irish Constabulary | 680,000
Prisons | 45,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools | 60,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum | 4,000

**CLASS IV.**

United Kingdom and England:

Board of Education | £5,575,000
British Museum | 70,000
National Gallery | 70,000
National Portrait Gallery | 2,500
Wallace Collection | 3,500
London Museum | 2,500
Scientific Investigation, &c. | 42,000
Universities and Colleges, Great Britain, and Intermediate Education, Wales | 105,000

Scotland:

Public Education | £1,000,000
National Galleries | 2,650

Ireland:

Public Education | 980,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners | 409
National Gallery | 1,500
Science and Art | 25,000
Universities and Colleges, Ireland | 60,000
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CLASS V.

Diplomatic and Consular Services - 405,000
Colonial Services - - 125,000
Telegraph Subsidies and Pacific Cable - 17,000
Cyprus (Grant in Aid) - - 49,000

CLASS VI.

Supernumerary and Retired Allowances - 380,000
Miscellaneous Expenses - - 8,570
Hospitals and Charities, Ireland - - 12,000
Temporary Commissions - - 29,000
Ireland Development Grant - - 180,000
International Exhibitions - - - 2,000

CLASS VII.

Old Age Pensions - - 5,300,000
National Health Insurance Joint Committee - - - - 50,000
National Health Insurance Commission (England) - - - - 1,000,000
National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) - - - - 180,000
National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) - - - - 390,000
Labour Exchanges and Unemployment Insurance - - - - 290,000
National Insurance Audit Department - - - - 30,000
Treatment of Tuberculosis (Special Grants) - - - - 150,000
Highlands and Islands (Medical Services) Board - - - - 2,000
Revenue Departments.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE—Continued.

Total for Civil Services and Revenue Departments - £36,855,000

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.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Galland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 25.]

Tuesday, 23rd February 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The Metropolitan District Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill to empower the London County Council to construct and work new tramways; to alter and reconstruct existing tramways and to make street improvements and other works, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the Naval and direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 16th February 1915.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 16th February 1915.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Ireland a Return showing, to the latest year available, (1) the annual Average Prices for each year from 1881; (2) the annual Average Prices for each period comprised in the period from 1881 of five years, ten years, fifteen years, twenty years, and twenty-five years, and for the period of five years from 1909; such Prices to be compiled from the Returns of Prices of crops, live stock, and other Irish agricultural products heretofore published from time to time by the Irish Land Commission, or the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, or from other information in the possession of those Departments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 182 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Norman.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Universities and Colleges Estates Acts, and to extend the powers of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and the Colleges therein to make Statutes for purposes connected with the present War: And that Mr. Attorney General, the Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Pease, and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly presented Universities a Bill to amend the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill. Estates Acts, and to extend the powers of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and the Bill 32. Colleges therein to make Statutes for purposes connected with the present War: 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 Financial proposed, That this House, having heard the Arrangements Chancellor of the Exchequer's statement on 15th February, approves generally of the arrangements made by him with the Finance Ministers of France and Russia.—(Sir Thomas Whitaker);

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House Member to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. King, Member for North Somerset, and directed his (Irrelevance.) speech.

And the Question being put ;

Resolved, That this House, having heard the Chancellor of the Exchequer's statement on 15th February, approves generally of the arrangements made by him with the Finance Ministers of France and Russia.

Sir Harry Verney reported from the Com-supply [16th Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Navy Estimates, 1915-16.

1. That 250,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Sea and Coast Guard, and Royal Marines be employed.
for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense 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 1916.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution which, upon the 18th day of this instant February, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which was then agreed to by the House, be now read; and the same was read, as followeth:

That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 3,000,000, 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 1916.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And that Mr. Tennant, Mr. Churchill, Dr. Macnamara, and Mr. Harold Baker do prepare and bring it in.

Dr. Macnamara accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant February a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:


That an additional number not exceeding 32,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys be employed for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, beyond the number already voted for the year.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1914-15.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £91,000 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 1915 for the Salaries of the Staff and other Expenses of Labour Exchanges, including the Contribution to the Unemployment Insurance Fund and repayments to Associations pursuant to Sections 85 and 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and certain additional repayments to Associations:— Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class IV.

1. £6,600 (Supplementary), National Gallery, Civil Services (Excess), 1913-14.

2. £441 13s. 6d., International Exhibitions. 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.
Wednesday, 24th February 1915.

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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill:

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Third International Opium Conference, held at The Hague, June 1914.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 168-170, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and to be infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Halifax Corporation [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 Tramways Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, and 21 are struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Colonel Lockwood reported from the Select Committee appointed to control the arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House; 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 Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Defence of the Realm (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. Tennant.)

The British Ships (Transfer Restriction) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. (Transfer Restriction) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Robertson.)

The National Insurance Act (Part II. 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. Robertson.)

The Naval Medical Compassionate Fund 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 Harry Verney.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Second Reading of the Army (Annual) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [22nd the Report from the Committee of Supply of February] the 23rd day of this instant February;

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 [22nd the Report from the Committee of Supply of February] the 22nd 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 Committee of Ways and Means;

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the arrangements for the Publication of Debates, and to inquire into the expenditure on Stationery and Printing for this House and the Public Service generally.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Auy-Gardiner, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Godfrey Collins, Mr. Fletcher, Major Guest, Mr. Ingleby, Mr. MacVeagh, Mr. Partington, Captain William Redmond, Sir George Toulmin, and Mr. Wheler.
Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of this instant February, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 27.]

Thursday, 25th February 1915.

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 Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz:—

Workshop and Bawtry Railway Bill.

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

Ordered, That the River Glen Improvement Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), 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 Metropolitan Water Board Bill;

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

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis Griffith be added to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

Mr. Archibald presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the sum required to be voted for Naval and Military Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War for 1914–15.

Estimate of the sum required to be voted for Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War for 1915–16.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the gross amount of all moneys received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of the Fund for Military Savings Banks, pursuant to the Military Savings Banks Act, 1859, from the 19th September 1845 to the 5th January 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd February 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposits, Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and be printed; and that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of severa[4 lines cut off] of the number of persons committed for Trial in Ireland in 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 Act, 1899.

Returns of the Official Assignee of the King's Bench Division in Bankruptcy in Ireland and the Local Courts, Belfast and Cork, for the year 1914.

Copy of Returns from the Clerks of the Crown Committees and Peace of the number of persons committed for Trial in Ireland in 1914.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Light Command,—Copy of Order made by the Light Railways Railway Commissioners, and confirmed by the Board of Trade, entitled the London and North Western Railway (Dysert and Newmarket Light Railway) Order, 1915.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance (Unemployment Fund Account) Act, 1911, Part II, showing the Receipts and Payments during the period 15th July 1912 to 12th July 1913; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Unemployment Insurance (Unemployment Fund Account) be printed.
Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Orders made by the Council of the County Borough of Plymouth, dividing the Parliamentary Boroughs of Devonport and Plymouth into Polling Districts. Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Palatine of Chester (Urban Districts of Ashton-under-Lyne and Sale). Counties of Devon (Urban District of Exmouth) and Essex (Urban District of Grays Thurrock).

City of Exeter.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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:— Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year 1914, on Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies, Building Societies, Trade Unions, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Commander W. Wilfrid Bellairs, Member for the Borough of Maidstone, was sworn.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd day of this instant February a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16 (Vote on Account). That a sum not exceeding £36,833,000 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 1916, viz.:—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

Board of Trade ..... £ 200,000
Royal Palaces ..... 27,000
Osborne ..... 7,000
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens ..... 52,000
Houses of Parliament Buildings ..... 34,000
Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain ..... 30,000
Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain ..... 36,000
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings ..... 25,000
Revenue Buildings ..... 250,000
Insurance and Labour Exchange Buildings, Great Britain ..... 85,000
Public Buildings, Great Britain ..... 337,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom ..... 125,000
Harbours under the Board of Trade ..... 11,000
Peterhead Harbour ..... 10,000
Rates on Government Property ..... 425,000
Public Works and Buildings, Ireland ..... 120,000
Railways, Ireland ..... 10,000

CLASS II.

United Kingdom and England:

House of Lords Offices ..... 20,000
House of Commons ..... 90,000
Treasury and subordinate Departments ..... 45,000
Home Office ..... 100,000
Foreign Office ..... 22,000
Colonial Office ..... 24,000
Privy Council Office ..... 5,000
Mercantile Marine Services ..... 70,000

Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade ..... £ 5
Board of Agriculture and Fisheries ..... 200,000
Charity Commission ..... 14,000
Government Chemist ..... 11,000
Civil Service Commission
Exchequer and Audit Department ..... 26,000
Friendly Societies Registry ..... 12,000
Local Government Board ..... 127,000
Board of Control ..... 68,000
Mint (including Coinage) ..... 15
National Debt Office ..... 5,500
Public Record Office ..... 11,000
Public Works Loan Commission
Registrar General's Office ..... 21,000
Stationery and Printing ..... 500,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of ..... 10,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of ..... 67,000
Secret Service ..... 80,000

Scotland:

Secretary for Scotland, Office of ..... 7,000
Board of Agriculture ..... 25,000
Fishery Board ..... 8,000
General Board of Control ..... 12,000
Registrar General's Office ..... 3,500
Local Government Board ..... 10,000

Ireland:

Lord Lieutenant's Household ..... 2,500
Chief Secretary's Offices and subordinate Departments ..... 11,000
Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction ..... 85,000
Charitable Donations and Miscellaneous Office ..... 150,000
Congested Districts Board ..... 64,000
Local Government Board ..... 48,000
Public Record Office ..... 2,500
Public Works Office ..... 20,000
Registrar General's Office ..... 5,500
Valuation and Boundary Survey ..... 15,000

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and England:

Law Charges ..... £ 45,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses ..... 26,000
Supreme Court of Judicature, &c. ..... 150,000
Land Registry ..... 15,000
Public Trustee ..... 6,000
County Courts ..... 50,000
Police, England and Wales ..... 50,000
Prisons, England and the Colonies ..... 420,000
Reparliamentary and Industrial Schools, Great Britain ..... 170,000
Military Lunatic Asylums, England ..... 27,000

Scotland:

Law Charges and Courts of Law ..... £ 35,000
Scottish Land Court ..... 4,000
Register House, Edinburgh ..... 14,000
Prisons ..... 54,000

Ireland:

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions ..... 30,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments ..... 47,000
Land Commission ..... 315,000
Count Court Officers, &c. ..... 40,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police ..... 65,000
Royal Irish Constabulary ..... 58,000
Prisons ..... 4,000
Reparliamentary and Industrial Schools ..... 60,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum ..... 4,000

CLASS IV.

United Kingdom and England:

Board of Education ..... £ 5,575,000
British Museum ..... 70,000
National Gallery ..... 7,000
National Portrait Gallery ..... 2,500
Wallace Collection ..... 3,500
London Museum ..... 2,500
Scientific Investigation, &c. ..... 42,000
Universities and Colleges, Great Britain, and Intermediate Education, Wales ..... 105,000

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Adjournment

Motion for

lapsed, without Question put.

(Mr. Beek) ;

proposed, That this House do now adjourn

thereupon ;

(Mr. Walter Rea) :And a Debate

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- Highlands and Islands (Medical Service)

National Insurance Audit Department

Ireland Development Grant

Miscellaneous Expenses

Universities and Colleges, Ireland

Public Education

National Galleries

Post Office

Inland Revenue

Customs and Excise

Labour Exchanges and Unemployment

National Health Insurance Commission

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Old Age Pensions

National Health Insurance Joint Com- mittee

National Health Insurance Commission

(England)

National Health Insurance Commission

(Wales)

National Health Insurance Commission

(Ireland)

Labour Exchanges and Unemployment

Insurance

National Insurance Audit Department

Treatment of Tuberculosis (Special

Grants) -

Highlands and Islands (Medical Service)

Board -

Revenue Departments.

Customs and Excise -

Inland Revenue -

Post Office -

Total for Civil Services and

Revenue Departments - £36,853,000

The said Resolution, being read a second time,

was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question was

proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

(Mr. Walter Rea) ;—And a Debate arising

thereupon ;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the

Motion for the Adjournment of the House

lapsed, without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being

proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

(Mr. Beck) ;

And it being half an hour after Eleven of

the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the

House without Question put, pursuant to

the Order of the House of the 3rd day of

this instant February, till Monday next.

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 Second Reading thereof,

the Standing Orders not previously inquired

into, which are applicable thereto, have been

complied with, viz. ;—

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

Great Central Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

The London County Council (Tramways and

Improvements) Bill was read a second time, and

committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking

into consideration the London County Council

(General Powers) Bill (suspected), as amended

in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con- sideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking

into consideration the Glasgow Corporation

(Celluloid) Bill (suspected), as amended in

the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into con- sideration upon Thursday next.

Sir Harry Verney presented, pursuant to the

directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy

of Order under the Destructive Insects and

Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 171,

declaring an area described in the Schedule

thereof to be infected with Wart Disease, and

an infected area for the purposes of the Wart

Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of

1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the

Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Com-

mand,—Copy of Return under Section 7 of the (Ireland) Act,

1887 (Eviction Notices filed in the High Court

of Justice and County Courts in Ireland during

the quarter ended 31st December 1914.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the

Prisons directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of

(London) Draft Rule proposed to be made under the

Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, by

the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland relative to the

production of Prisoners.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the

Table.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to

the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of

Draft Rule proposed to be made by the

Secretary of State for the Home Depart-

ment under the Prison Acts, 1877 and 1898, with

respect to the constitution of the Visiting

Committee of Plymouth Prison.

Copy of Draft Order proposed to be made (Civil)

by the Secretary of State for the Home Depart-

ment under the Criminal Justice Administra-

tion Act, 1914.
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Order, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Supply.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions to several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended on the 31st day of March 1914; also a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to the same date.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5425 to 5426.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions to several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended on the 31st day of March 1914; also a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to the same date.

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

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1914-15.

1. Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £37,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1915 for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for the conduct of Naval and Military operations; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Food-stuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.——(The Prime Minister.)

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.

Order, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1914 and 1915, the sum of £37,223,440 13s. 9d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.——(Mr. Galland.)

2. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £246,855,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.——(Mr. Galland.)

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.

Order, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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 Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply [23rd February 1917] Report.

Resolved, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army (Naval and Military Service) Bill;

Resolved, 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 the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) 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 Army Act Amendment 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 British Ships (Transfer Restriction) 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 Navy Act Amendment 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 National Insurance Act (Part II. Amendment) 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 Naval Medical Compassionate Fund Bill:

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such additional sums as may be required for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enable contributions to be made for the purpose of Part II. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, by workmen employed abroad in insured trades on work connected with the present War—(Mr. Gulland);

Mr. Joseph Pease, 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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Secretary M'Kenna, presented a Bill to amend Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse, supported by Captain Norton, presented a Bill to provide for the grant of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons in respect of disablement due to causes arising out of the operations of the present War, whilst that part of the country is employed afloat in connection with the telegraph and postal Services, and to their dependants, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) 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. Gallond.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Right of British subject charged with offence to be tried by civil court).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "not owing any allegiance to any foreign state."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "subject," to insert the words "not being an alien enemy nor."—(Mr. Keir Hardie.)

Question proposed, That the words "being a British subject" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "subject," to insert the words "or by a special commission under this Act."—(Mr. Trevelyan.)

Question, That the words "of the offence to be tried by civil court" be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "martial," to insert the words "within forty-eight hours of his arrest to have communicated to him in writing and."—(Mr. Ellis Davies.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "entitled," to insert the words "or to which he may be convicted of new section relating to the ill-treatment of horses, and consequential amendment of section 24."—(Mr. George Greenwood)—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.

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, to be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army Act Amendment Bill.

(Im the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of section 115 of the Army Act)—(Mr. Attorney General)—added.

Another Clause (Insertion into the Army Act of new section relating to the ill-treatment of horses, and consequential amendment of section 24)—(Mr. George Greenwood)—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.

A Schedule (Provisions as to determining amount to be paid for articles requisitioned)—(Mr. Tennant)—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 to-morrow; and be printed.

The Army (Annual) 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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the British Ships (Transfer Restriction) 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Insurance (Part II. Amendment) [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such additional sums as may be required for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enable contributions to be made for the purpose of Part II. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, by workmen employed abroad in insured trades on work connected with the present War.—(Mr. Robertson.)

Resolution 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 Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Medical Com- passionate Fund Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on the Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) Bill;

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 [1st March] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 1st 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 Ways and Means of the 1st 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 23rd day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 3rd March 1915.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNamara presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, a Copy of Draft Order proposed to be made under the Metropolitan Police Staff Superannuation Acts, 1875 to 1885, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department respecting the Superannuation Allowances of certain officers of the staff of the Metropolitan Police and Police Courts.

Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the County of Pembroke (Urban District of Fishguard and at Goodwick, in the Parish of Llanwnda) and of the County Borough of Gateshead, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Order made by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 17th February 1915, under the Motor Car Acts, partially rescinding the Motor Cars Regulation (County of Forfar) (No. 1) Order, 1906.

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

Robert William Hugh O'Neill, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable Robert William Hugh O'Neill), Member for the County of Antrim (Mid Antrim Division), was sworn.

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) [Lords'], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensable with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Liverpool Corporation Bill, Petition for additional provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensable with; that the parties be permitted to insert their additional provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

3. That in the case of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of the Wandsworth Borough Council, the Standing Order ought to be dispensable with.

4. That in the case of the Metropolitan Water Board Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 138 in the case of the Petition of the Wandsworth Borough Council, the Standing Order ought to be dispensable with.

5. That in the case of the Workop and Bawtry Railway Bill the Standing Orders ought to be dispensable with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on the condition that Clause 13 is struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

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, of this day, in respect of the Workop and Bawtry Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Dr. Macnamara, supported by Mr. Churchill Naval and Mr. T. H. O'Neill, presented a Bill to amend the Naval Discipline Bill. And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Lambert, supported by Dr. Macnamara, Naval presented a Bill to provide further facilities for the Marriage of officers, seamen, and marines borne on the books of any of His Majesty's Ships during the continuance of the present war; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Tennant, supported by Mr. Harold Buxer, Army presented a Bill to authorise the suspension of Sentences of penal servitude and imprisonment passed on soldiers engaged in active service beyond the seas during the present war; 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 Alsen put, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the whole administration of the Acts and regulations concerning Aliens and suspected persons during the war should be concentrated in the hands of one Minister who should be responsible to this House—(Mr. Jayson-Hicks) —It passed in the Negative.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Supply of the 1st day of this instant March [1st March] several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1914-15.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £37,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards the expenses arising out of the existence of a state of war, defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1915 for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuity of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses arising out of the existence of a state of war.

Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

2. That a sum not exceeding £250,000,000 be granted, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards the expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuity of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses arising out of the existence of a state of war.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of February last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1914-15. Class IV.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,600 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 1915 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank, including a Grant in Aid for the purchase of Pictures.

International Exhibitions.

2. That a sum not exceeding £441 13s. 9d. be granted to His Majesty, to make good an excess on the Grant for International Exhibitions for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1914. The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 1st day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Ways and Means (1st March) Report.

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the years ending on the 31st day of March 1914 and 1915, the sum of £37,223,440 13s. 9d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £286,855,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Acland do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Acland accordingly 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 fourteen, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and one thousand nine hundred and sixteen: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Robertson reported from the Committee on National Insurance (Part II. Amendment) [Money] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, Bill 41.

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such additional sums as may be required for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enable contributions to be made for the purpose of Part II. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, by workmen employed abroad in insured trades on work connected with the present War. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, [Money.]\n
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance Act (Part II. Amendment) Bill.
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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of pensions and other allowances to certain persons in respect of disablement due to causes arising out of the operations of the present War whilst they are employed afloat in connection with the telegraphic and postal Services, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session to provide for the grant of such Pensions and allowances—(
Mr. Walter Rea);
Mr. Hobhouse, 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Thursday, 4th March 1915.
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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), 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 Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the River Glen Improvement Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Metropolitan Water Board Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Railway directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Companies' Draft Certificate of the Board of Trade under the Railway Companies' Powers Act, 1864, authorising the East and West Yorkshire Union Railways Company to raise additional capital.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Royal Irish Command,—Copy of Return showing the names of all Constabulary Officers in receipt of Pensions on 30th November 1914, of all Head Constables, Sergeants, and Constables, and of all Widows and Children, to whom Pensions have been granted since the Constabulary Estimate for 1914-15 was prepared, with the amount and date of Pension in each case; including also Returns (1) of all Special Pensions to Constabulary Widows, (2) of portions of Pensions chargeable on the Constabulary Vote, and (3) of all Civil Service Pensions similarly charged.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the National Health Insurance (Regulations,) Directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return showing the names of all Civil Service Pensions similarly charged.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to National Health Insurance Commission (England) Regulations be printed.

Mr. Secretary McKenzie presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixty-Fourth Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, for the year preceding 1st March 1915.

Mr. Secretary McKenzie also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1912.

Copies of Orders made by the mentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—
Council of the City of Chester (three).
Council of the County of Carmarthen (Ammanford Urban District).

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

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. Vaughan-Davies.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords Naval and Military Services to give leave to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants) this day, at Five of the clock.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order made upon the 11th day of August Alcoholic Beverages, 1913, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Memorandum and Statistical Tables showing the production and consumption of Alcoholic Beverages (Wine, Beer, and Spirits) in the British Empire and in the principal Foreign Countries, and the Revenue derived therefrom in recent years (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 319 of Session 1910), was read and discharged; and the Orders made upon the 12th day of August 1913, That the said Return 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 give leave to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury to attend the Select Committee of the House of Commons on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants), pursuant to their Message of this day, His Grace consenting thereto.

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any further contributions that may become payable under any Act of the present Session to amend Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911—(Mr. Walter Rea);

Mr. Joseph Pease, 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Methodist Church in Ireland 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Friends' Provident Institution Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Blyth Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on the Liverpool Corporation Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 3rd day of this instant March, the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution had been inserted in the Bill.

Sir William Howell Davies 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.

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on the Provisional Orders (No. 1) 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 William Howell Davies reported from the Private Bills Committee on Group A of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of the House.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and Fund (No. 2) Bill committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.

The Injuries in War (Compensation) (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 Monday next.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Injuries in War (Compensation) (No. 2) [Money].

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons in respect of disablement due to causes arising out of the operations of the present War whilst they are employed abroad in connection with the telegraphic and postal Services, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session to provide for the grant of such Pensions and allowances.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

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 National Insurance Act (Part II. National 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.

Ordered, That the National Insurance (Part I. Amendment) 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. Walter Rea.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 7 agreed to.
Clause No. 8 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 upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Army Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Relations between military and naval forces acting together)—(Mr. Tennant)—was twice read, and made part of 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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Annual) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Preamble 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.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Discipline 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 Naval Marriages Bill;

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

The Army (Suspension of Sentences) 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. Walter Rea.)

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill.
Mr. Runsiman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on their proceedings and business under the Weights and Measures Acts for the year 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir John Soane on 5th January 1915.

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Enemies in certain cases: 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 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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

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

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 National Insurance (Part I. Amendment) [Money].

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of Pensions and other allowances to certain persons in respect of disablement due to causes arising out of the operations of the present War whilst they are employed afloat in connection with the telegraphic and postal Services, and to their dependants, under any Act of the present Session to provide for the grant of such Pensions and allowances.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Injuries in War (Compensation) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

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.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, take into consideration the Irish Police (Naval (Naval and Colleges (Emergency Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be commended to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow. 

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on Injuries in War (Compensation) (No. 2) Bill, Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on the Injuries in War (Compensation) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, take into consideration the Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 12, by leaving out subsection (5) of Clause 1. (Sir Frederick Handbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Suspension of Sentences) Bill.

(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 desire their concurrence.

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then two minutes before Seven of the clock, till to-morrow.

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 River Glen Improvement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of April next.

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.

Public Trustee. Mr. Attorney General presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Seventh General Annual Report of the Public Trustee.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Regulations, dated 8th March 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposits (Regulations), Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary M’Kenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1912. Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Borough of Swindon.
County of Cumberland (Urban District of Wigton).

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by Treaty Series His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Convention (No. 5, 1915.) between the United Kingdom and Switzerland providing for the settlement by Arbitration of certain classes of questions which may arise between the two Governments, Signed at London, 10th June 1914. Ratifications exchanged at London, 3rd February 1915.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return of proceedings under the Land Purchase Acts, 1883 to 1891, and the Land Purchase Acts of the Irish Land Commission during the month of November 1914.

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 names of all Aliens to whom certificates of naturalisation or readmission to British nationality have been issued and whose oaths of allegiance have, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1914, been registered at the Home Office, giving the country and place of residence of the person naturalised or readmitted, 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. 206 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Cecil Harmsworth.)

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 as to any Aliens who have, during the same period, obtained Acts of Naturalisation from the Legislature (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 206 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Cecil Harmsworth.)

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 numbers of Accidents resulting in death or personal injury known by the police to have been caused by Vehicles in streets, roads, or public places during
the year ending the 31st day of December 1914 in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 133 of Session 1914.—(Mr. Cecil Harmsworth.)

Sir William Howell Davies ported the Street ley and Goring Bridge Bill, with Amendments.

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

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday the 13th day of April next, at half an hour after 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 their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 23) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to discontinue the Marriage of Richard Henrik Beamish, of Ashbourne, Gloucthe, in the County of Cork, a Justice of the Peace, and Deputy Lieutenant of the City of Cork, with Violet Edith Beamish, his wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 23) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Beamish's Divorce Bill [Lords.] was read a second time.

The Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Sir Tudor Walters reported the Great Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Sir Tudor Walters reported from the Committee on Group I of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday the 14th day of April next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented a Bill to amend the enactments relating to Customs during the present War: 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 Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914 — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer); 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 (5.0. No. 11.)

And the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary M`Kenna, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

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. Attorney General.)

The Legal Proceedings against Enemies Bill legal Proceedings against, 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to Defective of take into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Witnesses)—(Mr. Attorney General) —was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was ordered to be added to the Bill (Prosecutions).—(Mr. T. M. Healy.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time: —The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was ordered to be added to the Bill (Constitution of special commission).—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time: —The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was ordered to be added to the Bill (Application of 7 Edw. 7, c. 23).—(Sir William Byles.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time: —The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was ordered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of s. 1 (4) of 5 Geo. 5, c. 8).—(Sir William Byles.)

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 read a second time: —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. 5, by leaving out the words "being a British subject, but not
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Marriages Bill.

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 Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on National Insurance (Part I. Amendment) Bill.

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

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 National Insurance (Part I. Amendment) Bill.

Clauses No. 4 to No. 7 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 to No. 4 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) 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 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill;—Money.

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

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

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;—Money.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
9th—10th March. 1915. [No. 34.]

Wednesday, 10th March 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Blyth Harbour Bill.

Skegness Urban District Gas Bill.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended).

Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended).

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 23) Bill.

Charity Commission (England and Wales) Bill.

Street Accidents caused by Vehicles No. 150.

Shops Act, 1912.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Deputy Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Deputy Speaker, without a Question first put, at seventeen minutes after Nine of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 34.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Blyth Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Skegness Urban District Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 20th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 20th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 23) 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.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixty-second Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

Mr. Secretary McKenna also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Street Accidents caused by Vehicles.

Mr. Secretary McKenna also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department—

County of London (Metropolitan Boroughs of Bethnal Green and Stepney).

City of Chester.

Borough of Mansfield (three).

Borough of Middle-brough (two).

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Civil Service Command,—Estimate for Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1916, with Memorandum by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated 6th August, 20th August, and 22nd October 1914, and 19th January 1915, relating to the issue of Currency Notes.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the Navy directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Accounts of the cost of manufacturing Provisions, Victualling Stores, &c. at the House of Victualling Yards and Malta Yard for 1913-14; 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 said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Navy (Victualling Yard Manufacturing Accounts, 1913-14), and Navy (Torpedo Factory, Greenwich), be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Lincoln Standing Order 176a,—Copy of Report of the Attorney General on the Lincoln Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the Army directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Military Instructions) Schemes under the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899 (Mr. Ginnell.)

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, by counties, of all the Estates now in the Land Judge's Court over which receivers have been appointed.—(Mr. Ginnell.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of all moneys contributed out of the Civil and Revenue Departments, for the payment of the salaries due to the Judges of the Queen's Bench, and other officers of the Courts of Ireland. For the years 1913-14, and of the Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements during the year ended 31st March 1914. 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 said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Navy (Victualling Yard Manufacturing Accounts, 1913-14), and Navy (Torpedo Factory, Greenwich), be printed.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ascot District Gas and Electricity 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 Chairmen of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Great Central Railway 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.

The Chairmen of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan District Railway Bill, with Amendments.

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

The Chairmen of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Defence of the Realm Bill, without any Amendment.

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 Legal Proceedings against Enemies Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provision with respect to writs issued against enemy in certain cases). An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, after the word "on," to insert the words "present or future." [Mr. Dennis.]

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 amended and 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the War Powers Bill.

(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.

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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 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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the War Powers 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 the Third Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill (Lords);

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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**[No. 35.]**

**Thursday, 11th March 1915.**

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

**PRAYERS.**

Carmarthen Borough Writ.

**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 Carmarthen, in the room of William Llewelyn Williams, Esquire, K.C., who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Recorder of the City of Cardiff.** (Mr. Gutland.)

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Aliens (Naturalisation). (No. 156.)

Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to In intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act, 1914 (Orders). (No. 155.)

Mr. Secretary McKenna also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Pembroke (Milford Haven Urban District) (two).

County of London (Metropolitan Borough of Paddington).

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the proceedings of the Board of Trade under the Labour Exchanges Act, 1909, and under the National Insurance Act, 1911, Part II., with Appendices.

Copy of Text of Agreements made between His Majesty's Government and the War Risks Insurance Associations.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Railway directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, by the Board of Trade respecting the Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Provisional Order, and the objects thereof.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Fourteenth Annual General Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, for the year 1913-14.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Metropolitan Poor Law Inspectors' Advisory Committee on the Homeless Poor.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Report on the Emigrants' Information Office for the year 1914.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Regulations for Grants in Aid of Agricultural Education and Research in England and Wales, 1915-16.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return 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 to be drunk on the premises, Retailers of beer not to be drunk on the premises, and Brewers of beer not 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 Brewers of beer for sale, and of malt and sugar used by Brewers not for sale, from the 1st day of October 1913 to the 30th day of September 1914:—Of the amount of Licence Duty paid and Beer Duty charged from the 1st day of October 1913 to the 30th day of September 1914, distinguishing Brewers for sale from other Brewers:—Of the number of Brewers 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 1913 to the 30th day of September 1914, separating them into classes, according to the number of barrels of beer charged with duty calculated at 1-953 degrees gravity, viz.: under 1,000 barrels; 1,000 and under 10,000; 10,000 and under 20,000; 20,000 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.
Mr. Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Doncaster 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. 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 Naval Marriages Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire their concurrence.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Discipline Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Mersey Railway Act, 1900; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Company of Proprietors of the Neath Canal Navigation to raise further moneys; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Mersey Railway Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Neath Canal Navigation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval Discipline Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval Marriages Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Central Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan District Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Streatham and Goring Bridge Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Beamish’s Divorce Bill (Lords.)

Mr. Charles Roberts presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 23rd day of June in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing for each province (a) the names of municipalities in which committees have been appointed; (b) the number of official and non-official members, respectively, of each committee; (c) the number of occasions upon each committee has met during the past three years; (d) the number of licences in respect of which each committee has recommended (i) withdrawal, (ii) change of site; and (e) the number of complaints in respect of which the recommendations have been carried out.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Calendar of the Manuscripts of the Most Honourable the Marquis of Salisbury, &c., &c., preserved at Hatfield House, Hertfordshire. Part XIII. Addenda.

Copy of Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, with Appendix.

Mr. Secretary McKenna also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Middlesex, dividing the Parliamentary Polling District of Southgate (Middle) into two Districts and assigning polling places thereto.

Copy of Licence granted to Charles Carpenter under the Penal Servitude Acts, to which is annexed a condition other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864.

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

Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland prescribing the terms of appointment to Clerkships in His Majesty’s General Register House, Edinburgh, dated 12th March 1915.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s National Command,—Copy of Report of the Director of the National Gallery of Ireland for the year 1914.

Copy of Summary of proceedings and Details Department of operations under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, &c., for the period 1907-14.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the Naval Prize directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy Act, 1864, of Order under the Naval Prize Act, 1884, dated 2nd March 1915, on a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, declaring His Majesty’s intention of granting Prize Bounty to the officers and crews of His Majesty’s Ships of War.


Copy of Order under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 2nd March 1915, entitled the East Africa Order in Council, 1915.

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

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the Telegraphs directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, making the Telegraph (Foreign Written Telegram) Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1915, dated 1st March 1915.

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

Mr. Acland presented,—Return to an Order, Brewster’s Licences, dated the 11th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Brewster’s Licences.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His German Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty’s Government and the late United States Ambassador respecting the treat-ment of German Prisoners of War and Interred Civilians in the United Kingdom.

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

Mr. Mount reported from the Committee on Nottingham Corporation (Trent Navigation 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.
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 Customs (War Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Irish Police (Naval and Military Service) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Legal Proceedings against Enemies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to alter the name of the President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, and Governors of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb Poor, and to enable them to acquire and hold additional lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have agreed to the Legal Proceedings against Enemies Bill, with Amendments.

The Lords have agreed to the Asylum Bill, as amended in the Committee.

The Lords have agreed to the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Legal Proceedings against Enemies Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval Discipline 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 Naval Marriages Bill.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 1, l. 20, at the end of Clause 1, add (“Provided that in England no marriage after banns published or an episcopal licence granted in England shall be solemnised elsewhere than in a church or chapel of the Church of England in which marriages may lawfully be solemnised”). the first Amendment, being read a second time;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That to-morrow Mr. Speaker, so soon as he has reported the Royal Assent to the Bills which have been agreed on by both Houses, do adjourn the House, without Question put, until Wednesday 14th April, and that Committees have leave to sit up to and including 25th March, notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(The Prime Minister).

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by leaving out the words “Wednesday 14th April,” and inserting the words “Tuesday 23rd March”—(Lord Robert Cecil), 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 to-morrow Mr. Speaker, so soon as he has reported the Royal Assent to the Bills which have been agreed on by both Houses, do adjourn the House, without Question put, until Wednesday 14th April, and that Committees have leave to sit up to and including 25th March, notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—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.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) 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 Legal Proceedings against the Lords to the Legal Proceedings against the Enemies 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 the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of April next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 14th day of April 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 Wednesday the 14th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty's Commission, for declaring his Royal Assent to the several Acts, had been brought from the Lords by the Lords. One of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Naval Marriages Bill to which this House hath disagreed, and they have agreed to the Amendment which this House hath made in lieu thereof.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Royal Assent, Henry Frederick Stephenson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Deputy 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. Deputy Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned:

Mr. Deputy 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 given the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

2. British Ships (Transfer Restriction) Act, 1915.
6. Army (Suspension of Sentences) Act, 1915.
8. Army Amendment Act, 1915.
10. Injuries in War (Compensation) Act, 1915.
16. Defence of the Realm (Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with), viz.:-
   Mersey Railway Bill [Lords].
   North Canal Navigation Bill [Lords].
   Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Great Central 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 London, Chatham, and Dover 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 Metropolitan District Railway 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 Skegness Urban District Gas Bill be read the third time upon Thursday the 22nd day of this instant April.

The Streatley and Goring Bridge 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 Doncaster Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Nottingham Corporation (Trent Navigation Transfer) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Denney’s Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the River Glen Improvement Bill ; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

A Petition of the London County Council, praying that provision may be made in the case of the following Borough Councils to permit the use of certain open spaces for the purposes of rifle ranges, or to provide rifle ranges in parks, gardens, recreation grounds, and open spaces under their control, and also to empower the Council to provide and equip lawn tennis courts, croquet lawns, bowling greens, cricket, hockey, and football grounds in parks and open spaces under their control, was presented, and read ; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty’s Command during the Easter Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of 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. 5422, 5429, 5430, and 5433 to 5455.
Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty’s Government and the United States Government respecting the Rights of Belligerents.
Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty’s Government and the United States Ambassador respecting the treatment of Prisoners of War and Interned Civilians in the United Kingdom and Germany, respectively.
Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty’s Government and the United States Ambassador respecting the release of Interned Civilians and the exchange of Diplomatic and Consular Officers, and of certain classes of Naval and Military Officers, Prisoners of War, in the United Kingdom and Germany, respectively.
Copy of Accession of Russia to the Convention Treaty Series of 9th November 1914 between the United Kingdom and France relating to Prizes captured during the present European War. London, 5th March 1915.
Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 838 (Strait’s Colonial Settlements, Annual Report for 1913) and Reports 839 (Cayman Islands (Jamaica), Report for 1913-14).

Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee for the Tropical Diseases Research Fund for the year 1914.
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Copy of Twenty-second Report of the Con- gested Districts Board for Ireland, with references to subsequent transactions, and with Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1914.

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

Mr. Aeland presented, pursuant to the direc- tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing Receipts and Expenditure on account of proceedings in connection with the winding up of Companies under the Com- panies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, during the year ending 31st March 1915.

Copy of Account showing the Receipts and Bankruptcy Expenditure on account of Bankruptcy pro- ceedings during the year ended 31st March 1915.

Abstract Account of Receipts and Payments of the Treasury Solicitor, in the year 1914, in the administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown; and alphabetical List of Estates in respect of which Letters of Administra- tion 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.

Account of all moneys received and of the Government disposal thereof, and of all Contracts for the grant of deferred Life Annuities and for payments on Death made, during the year 1914.

An Account of the gross amount of all Bank National Debt Annuities and any Annuities for terms of years, which have been 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, and other Acts, within the year ended 9th January 1915.

Annual Account of Receipts and Disburse- ments of the Court of Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland for the year 1914.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannua- tion Act, 1887, dated 17th March 1915, granting a retired allowance to Mr. George E. Ashdowne, Constructor, Gibraltar Yard, Adm.-R.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Irish Insur- ance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Con- solidated Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Irish Insur- ance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Mercantile Marine) (Collection of Contributions) Regulations (Ireland), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insur- ance Payments to Insurance Committees) Regu- lations (Ireland), 1914.

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th March 1915, National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commis- sioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners,
and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Exempt Irish Migratory Labourers' Benefits) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Panel and Pharmaceutical Committees) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Mercantile Marine) (Collection of Contributions) Regulations (Scotland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Consolidated Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Consolidated Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Payments to Insurance Committees) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Panel Committee) Regulations (England and Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Pharmaceutical Committees) Regulations (England and Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Consolidated Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 6th April 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Married Women) Consolidated Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Mercantile Marine) (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 23rd March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Time for joining an Approved Society) Amendment Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 23rd March 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army Parliamentary Grant) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 24th March 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Naval and Military Forces, Service during War) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 10th March 1915, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subscriptions and Donations) Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th April 1915, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Naval and Military Forces, Service during War) Regulations (Ireland), 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 6th April 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Naval and Military Forces, Service during War) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 5th April 1915, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Naval and Military Forces, Service during War) Regulations (Scotland), 1915.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 31st March 1915, authorising the temporary application of surplus Votes for the year 1914–15 to defray part of an excess on another Army Vote for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, Bankruptcy Act (Proceedings), Crown's Nominee Account, Government Insurances and Annuities, National Debt Annuities, National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), and Public Accounts (Army Votes), 1914–15, be printed.

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 69) Warrant, 1915, dated 9th March 1915.

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

Mr. Joseph Peace presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Summary of Returns as to School Attendance and Employment in Agriculture supplied by Local Education Authorities, for the period 1st September 1914 to 31st January 1915.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account showing the nature and amount of the National Securities held by the Commissioners for the Insurance
Reduction of the National Debt at 31st December 1914, as investments for moneys forming part of the National Insurance Fund. No. 195, paid over to them by the Insurance Commissioners for England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, under Section 54 (3) of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Return of all sums received by the Visitors Lanyon of Lunatics for travelling expenses or upon any other account, from 1st January to 31st December 1914.

Copy of Rule in Council, dated supreme Court 29th March 1915.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the National Insurance Act, 1911 (Part I.), Account be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Sergeant-at-Arms Erskine, K.C.V.O., the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House, which Mr. Speaker read to the House, as followeth:

Sir, April 13th, 1915.
I have the honour to make application that you will be pleased to sanction my retirement on 1st June next from my Office by Petition of His Majesty's Sergeant-at-Arms attending the Speaker of the House of Commons. I have been in the service of this Honourable House for upwards of forty years, and I feel that the time has arrived when it is desirable that I should no longer retain my appointment.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient Servant, H. D. ERSKINE, Sergeant-at-Arms.

To the Right Honourable the Speaker, House of Commons.

William Llewelyn Williams, Esquire, K.C., New Member for the Borough of Carnarthen, was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Sergeant-at-Arms had received a letter from Sir Henry Davitt, K.C.V.O., the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House, which Mr. Speaker read to the House, as followeth:

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To the Right Honourable the Speaker, House of Commons.

William Llewelyn Williams, Esquire, K.C., New Member for the Borough of Carnarthen, was sworn.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates).—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £38,250 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 1916 for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in Aid:

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Walter Rea.), 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 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 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 39.] Thursday, 15th April 1915.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Tramways Act, 1870, relating to Bury Corporation Tramways and Hull Corporation Tramways: 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 on capital account and lending of money by the London County Council during the financial period from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, to the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Secretary McKeena presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed to investigate the danger attendant on the use of Paints containing lead to the health of persons engaged in painting buildings, and to consider and report what should be done to obviate or reduce the danger. Volume 1. Report.

Mr. Secretary McKeena also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of (England and Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Rules proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the Prison Act, 1898, with respect to the division and classification of persons sentenced to Penal Servitude.

Account of moneys received and paid by the Metropolitan Chamberlain of the City of London for the Cattle Market, year 1914: also an Account of extraordinary works executed, other than general repairs, for the same period.

Copy of Rules, dated 10th March 1915, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, and the Prison Act, 1907 (Rules).—Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence (Gold Coast).—Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hanbury also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879. (Rules.)—Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the University of the West Riding of Yorkshire, constituting certain Polling Districts in the Parliamentary Divisions of Pudsey and Doncaster, and assigning polling places thereto.

Accounts of the General Medical Council and Branch Councils, and of the Dental Registration Council.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the Army directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment made in the Rules of Procedure for Courts-Martial in the Army, 1907.—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 Summary of Abstract of Accounts of the University of Aberdeen for the year ending 30th September 1914.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the Army directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment made in the Rules of Procedure for Courts-Martial in the Army, 1907.

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

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the Army directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment made in the Rules of Procedure for Courts-Martial in the Army, 1907.
Greek Loan of 1898.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several acts of Parliament, — Account, up to 31st March 1915, of the total sums issued from the Consolidated Fund, pursuant to the Greek Loan Act, 1898, in respect of the Annuity which was guaranteed by Her late Majesty Queen Victoria 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.

Treasury Bills. Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 13th April 1915, prescribing further Regulations relating to the preparation, issue, and cancellation of Treasury Bills under the Acts 40 Vict. c. 2, and 52 Vict. c. 6. Account, up to the 31st March 1915, 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 Queen Victoria 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; and that the Papers relative to Public Accounts (Navy Votes) and Treasury Bills be printed.

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 1915, specifying whether held in England or Ireland (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 291 of Session 1914) —

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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 the Documents deposited, in the case of Beamish's Divorce Bill [Lords] and Denny's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills that they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses for Beamish's Divorce Bill [Lords] and Denny's Divorce Bill [Lords].

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 confer further powers upon the Ilfracombe Gas Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ilfracombe Gas Bill [Lords] was read for the first time.

Resolved, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this sitting, do adjourn till Tuesday next. —(The Prime Minister.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class I.

1. £38,250, to complete the sum for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in Aid.

2. £3,650, to complete the sum for Expenditure in respect of Osborne.

3. £69,400, to complete the sum for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

4. £40,000, to complete the sum for Houses of Parliament Buildings.

5. £28,200, to complete the sum for Expenditure in respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings.

6. £63,800, to complete the sum for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain.

7. £24,440, to complete the sum for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

8. £58,000, to complete the sum for Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.

9. £214,800, to complete the sum in respect of Insurance and Labour Exchange Buildings, Great Britain.

10. £156,600, to complete the sum in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes.

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11. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £29,500 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A be reduced by £100.—(Mr. William Young)—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to. 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 Tuesday 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 Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords] ;

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

Adjournment,

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 40.]

Tuesday, 20th April 1915.

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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum 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 additional provision in the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

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

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 Nottingham Corporation (Trent Navigation 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 House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Methodist Church in Ireland Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Mersey Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Neath Canal Navigation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 29th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 29th day of this instant April.

Mr. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Bridlington, Huddersfield, Saint Helens, Scarborough, and Skelmersdale : 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. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Cowes and East Cowes, Milford Haven, Southend-on-Sea (two), Stafford, and Worthing: 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. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Hursley (Rural), Pudsey, Ruislip—(No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to East India (Excise Administration Advisory Committees), which was presented upon the 15th day of March last, be printed.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1912. Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Chester.
Borough of Dudley.
Urban District of Saint Anne's-on-the-Sea.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 communicate the Minutes of Evidence taken upon the Second Reading of Mr. Beamish's Divorce Bill [Lords] and of Denney's Divorce Bill [Lords], as desired by this House, and request that the same may be returned.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to the Right Honourable Lieutenant-Colonel Amelius Lockwood, C.V.O., a Member of this House, to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on House of Lords Refreshment Rooms.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House hath given leave to Colonel Lockwood to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Resolved, That Colonel Lockwood have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Saford and Sefton Junction 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 thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Bury and Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill, with an Amendment.

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

Mr. Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Dewsbury 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. Cecil Harmsworth presented a Bill to facilitate the early treatment of mental disorder of recent origin arising from wounds, shocks, and other causes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That for the remainder of the Session, Questions to whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to Ministers.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws in the Session 1866, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Register of Temporary Laws for the Fifth Session, Thirtieth Parliament, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (5 & 6 Geo. V. 1914-15).

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.
give Notice of Questions for oral Answer on a
Tuesday or Wednesday may send Notices of
such Questions to the Clerks at the Table, and
any Notices of Questions so received by them
before Five of the clock on a Friday or Monday
shall be accepted as Notices of Questions for
oral Answer on the following Tuesday or
Wednesday respectively, and be printed and
circulated with the Votes.-(Mr. Chancellor of
the Exchequer.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That this House is of opinion that,
during the continuance of the War, no alcoholic
liquors shall be sold in the refreshment rooms or
at the bars attached to the House of Commons,
and requests the Kitchen and Refreshment
Rooms Committee to arrange accordingly—
(Mr. Wing) :—And a Debate arising there-
on;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed 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 Welsh Church (Post-
ponement) Bill [Lords] ;

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
15th day of this instant April ;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-
morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the
Order of the House of the 3rd day of February
last, proposed the Question, That this House do
now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till one minute before Five of
the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Closing Order made by the Corporation of Sligo under the Shops Act, 1912.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report on the Work of the National Insurance Audit Department, 1912-14.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 19th April 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army) Regulations (No. 1), 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table ; and that the Paper relative to National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations) be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the alcoholic strength, degree by degree, of Wines imported in cask into this country during the year 1914, consigned from the various countries of Europe, Madeira, Australia, and other countries (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 189 of Session 1914).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the Paper relative to National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations) 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 Act to authorise the Spennymoor and Tudhoe Gas Company to raise additional capital, and to confer further powers upon that Company ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Spennymoor and Tudhoe Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee ; That in the case of the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extension, &c.) 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 put, That this House, while welcoming well-considered steps for increasing the mobility and efficiency of labour, is of opinion that it is urgently necessary that the resources of all firms capable of producing munitions of war should be enlisted under a united administration in direct touch with such firms—(Mr. Hearne) :—It passed in the Negative.

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 Mental Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations) Bill [Lords] ; Ordered, That the Bill be a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords] ; Ordered, That the Bill be a second time 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 April ; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz. :

Iffinchome Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be 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, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz. :

Tramways Provisional Orders Bill.

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

The Skegness Urban District Gas 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. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Birmingham, Bolton, Bradford, Liverpool, and Stockport - 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 Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented.—Return to an Order, dated the 21st day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Wines imported.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, dated 21st April 1915, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army) Regulations (Ireland) (No. 1), 1915.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Commission, a copy of Eleventh Report of the Inspector for Ireland under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, for the year 1914 (with Appendices).

Copy of Return giving particulars of cases in which persons had been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 31st December 1914.

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

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland, determining the maximum number of Superintendents to be appointed, 1915.

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

Mr. Tenant, supported by Mr. Harold Baker, presented a Bill to amend the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, with respect to the conditions of service during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented a Bill to amend the enactments relating to the Police during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That Mr. Speaker be requested to acquaint Sir Henry David Erskine, k.c.v.o., that this House entertains a just sense of the exemplary manner in which he has uniformly discharged the duties of the Office of Serjeant-at-Arms, and has devoted himself to the service of the House of Parliament for a period of upwards of forty years.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next. —(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of the Army Estimates, 1915-16.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental Second Reading of the Mental Health Bill; Resolution agreed to.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Committee Bill; Resolution agreed to.

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

**No. 43.**

Tuesday, 27th April 1915.

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

**Prayers.**

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

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Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The Great Eastern Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Methodist Church in Ireland Bill.

Ordered, That the Methodist Church in Ireland Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Dewsbury Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Dewsbury Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Sefton and Seaforth Junction Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Seaforth and Sefton Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Def and Dumb Poor Asylum Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Tramways Provisional Orders Bill.

The Tramways Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders Bill (No. 1) Bill 61.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, relating to Clitheroe and Ramsbottom : 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, relating to Haworth Urban District, Ilkley, Kingston-upon-Hull (Extension), Knaresborough, Litherland, Normanton Urban District, Ryele (Amendment), Skipton, Stanley (Yorkshire), and Tenby : 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. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Report of His Majesty's Inspectors of Constabulary for the year ended 29th September 1914, with Statistical Tables appended.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Borough of Newark.

Urban District of Rambottom.

Copy of Correspondence relative to the refusal of the Secretary of State's Certificate under Section 17 (2) of the Police Act, 1890, to the Tyne River Police Force, for the year ended 30th September 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Police (Counties and Boroughs, England and Wales) be printed.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1914 of the Astronomer Royal for Scotland.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Royal Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Astronomer Royal (Edinburgh) for Scotland.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University of Edinburgh.

Copy of Abstract of Accounts of the University of Edinburgh be printed.

Copy of Report on the state of the Finances of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in the year ended 31st March 1915 ; together with the balances in the Exchequer on the 1st April 1914, the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31st March 1915, and the balances in the Exchequer on that day.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 13th April 1915, granting a retired allowance to Richard H. Langridge, Assistant Superintendent, Class II., Eastbourne Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations) and to Public Income and Expenditure be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Royal Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Astronomer Royal (Edinburgh) for Scotland.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 840 (East Africa Protectorate, Report for 1913-14).

Copy of Miscellaneous Report, No. 90 Colonial (Saint Vincent, Report on the administration of the Roads and Land Settlement Fund from the 1st January 1911 to 31st March 1914).

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on the Irish Pig-Breeding Industry.

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 :—Abstract
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgessess of the Borough of Sunderland to reconstruct the Wearmouth Bridge, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act for conferring further powers upon the Frimley and Farnborough District Water Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to regulate the user of the Shirehall and Guildhall at Shrewsbury, in the County of Salop, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Warwick Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Ormskirk Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Salop County Council Bill [Lords] was read the 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 Mental Second Reading of the Mental Treatment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Police (Emergency Provisions) 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. Walter Rea.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Territorial Force 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. Walter Rea):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Resolved, That, in view of the grave statements that have been made regarding the treatment of Prisoners of War in Germany, this House requests His Majesty's Government to take all the means in their power to ensure their better treatment in the future.—(Sir Frederick Bowbury.)

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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant April;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House requests His Majesty's Government to resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

[No. 44.]

Wednesday, 28th April 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Ilfracombe Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Dewsbury Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Mr. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provis. 
onal Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Cardiff, Coventry, Lytham, Sheffield, and the Rothwell Joint Cemetery 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.

Mr. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the County of Nottingham: 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.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 27th April 1915, under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain classes of Shops in the Borough of Largs.

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

Mr. Hobhouse presented, pursuant to the direc- 

Post Office Post Office and Colonial 

Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment Parcel Post.)

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Army 

Command,—Copy of Statement showing the financial position of Territorial Force County Finances.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant Metropolitan 


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

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 List of Estates and Treasure Trove on behalf of the Crown:—And of alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as Ultimus Heredes in Scotland, administered by the King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the same year.

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 List of Estates.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Street and Road Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trackless Trolleys Undertakings.
working expenditure, net receipts, and appropriations; 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. 463 of Session 1914);—Also similar particulars relating to Trackless Trolley Undertakings.—(Mr. Ruskinman.)

Sir John Tudor Walters reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Howell Davies reported the Barnoldswick Urban District Council Water Bill, with Amendments.

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

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board (Lords), 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 London Electric Railway Companies’ Facilities, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for a 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 London County Council (General Powers) 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.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Acland presented a Bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1911, with respect to the delivery of Books to the British Museum: 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 the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Revenue Departments.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £15,336,380 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones:

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Morton)—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.
[No. 45.]

Thursday, 29th April 1915.

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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Oakham Gas, Staveley Gas, Thirsk Gas, and Thirsk District Water: 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. Acland presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to Ultimus Hares (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates), No. 216.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the High Court of Justice, the Court of Appeal, and the Court of Criminal Appeal during the year ended 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Mc-Kenna presented, pursuant to an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Durham (Whickham Urban District, Dunston Ward).

Borough of Haslingden.

Borough of Blackburn.

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on the Meat Export Trade of the Commonwealth of Australia, with Appendices.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, for each financial year commencing the 1st day of April, from 1875 to 1915, inclusive:—

(1) The total amount of deadweight Debt outstanding on the 1st day of April, the amounts which were made available in each year to 1914-15, inclusive, 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;

(2) A similar Statement in respect of other capital liabilities;

(3) A similar Statement in respect of the aggregate gross liabilities of the State.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Report and Statistics of bad Time kept in Shipbuilding, Munitions, and Transport Areas.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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

Sir William Howell Davies reported the Metropolitan Water Board Bill, with Amendments.

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

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Private Bills Committee on Group A of Private Bills; That the parties opposing the Weardale and Consett Water Bill had stated that the evidence of Ernest Prescott Hill 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 Ernest Prescott Hill do attend the said Committee on Tuesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Ernest Prescott Hill do attend the Committee on Group A of Private Bills on Tuesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Beamish’s Divorce Bill [Lords.] as to the marriage of the parties, the adultery charged as the ground for dissolving the marriage, the verdict at law, and the sentence of divorce a mensa et thoro 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 suspect 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.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Denny’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 thoro 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 suspect 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 Proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Beamish's Divorce Bill [Lords] and Denny's Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in each case, be returned to the House of Lords.—(The Lord Advocate.)

Ordered, that the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to extend the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Spirits (Customs).

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on spirits imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

For every gallon computed at proof of spirits of any description except perfumed spirits 0 14 9

For every gallon of perfumed spirits — — — — — 1 3 7

For every gallon of liqueurs, cordials, mixtures, and other preparations entered in such a manner as to indicate that the strength is not to be tested 1 0 0

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Wine.

3. Resolved, That, in lieu of the duties now payable on wine imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged, levied, and paid the following duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Wine:

Not exceeding 30 degrees of proof spirit — the gallon 0 5 0

Exceeding 30 but not exceeding 42 degrees of proof spirit — the gallon 0 12 0

And for every degree, or part of a degree, beyond the highest above charged, an additional duty — the gallon 0 1 0

Sparkling wine in bottle, an additional duty — the gallon 0 1 0

Still wine in bottle, an additional duty — the gallon 0 1 0
And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

In this Resolution the word "wine" includes lees of wine; and the word "degree" does not include a fraction of the next higher degree.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Beer (Customs).

4. Resolved, That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on beer imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the third day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged, levied, and paid, in the case of every description of beer (other than beer called or similar to mum, spruce, black beer, or Berlin white beer, or other preparations, whether fermented or not fermented, of a similar character), the following duties on heavier beers (that is to say):—

£ s. d.
For every 36 gallons of beer brewed at a gravity—
Of more than 43 degrees and not exceeding 48 degrees - 0 12 0
Of more than 48 degrees and not exceeding 53 degrees - 1 4 0
Of 53 degrees and over - - 1 16 0
And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Beer (Excise).

5. Motion made, and Question put, That, in addition to the duty of Excise in respect of beer brewed in the United Kingdom, there shall, on and after the third day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged, levied, and paid, the following duties on heavier beers (that is to say):—

£ s. d.
For every 36 gallons of beer brewed at a gravity—
Of more than 43 degrees and not exceeding 48 degrees - 0 12 0
Of more than 48 degrees and not exceeding 53 degrees - 1 4 0
Of 53 degrees and over - - 1 16 0
And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Galland, Yeas;] [Mr. Howard;] 74.

Tellers for the [Mr. Crean, Noes;] [Mr. Gilbould;] 5.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy 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 Tuesday 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.
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 from this day's Sitting: Whereupon Mr. Whitley, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Orders (Standing Orders Bills Provisional) thereto applicable.

Prayers.

Mr. Deputy 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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

- Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill [Lords].
- Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords].
- Brighton and Hove Gas Bill [Lords].
- Frimley and Farnborough District Water Bill [Lords].
- Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords].
- Salop County Council Bill [Lords].
- Warwick Gas Bill [Lords].
- Falhounds Docks Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy 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.:—

- London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy 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, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

- Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
- Sea Fisheries (Cardigan Bay) Provisional Order Bill.
- Sea Fisheries (Poole) Provisional Order Bill.
- Conwy Fisheries Provisional Order Bill.

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

Mr. Deputy 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. 3) Bill.
- Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

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

London County Council (Money) Bill (Standing Orders not previously inquired into and complied with.)

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

The Bury and District Joint Water Board Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Seahurst and Salford Junction 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 Barnoldswick Urban District Council Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mersey Railway Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) 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 Methodist Church in Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dewsbury Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Acts of the Irish Land Commission during the
month of December 1914.

Copy of Seventy-seventh Annual Report of
the Loan Fund Board of Ireland, 1914.

Copy of the Annual Report of the Commis-
sioners of Education in Ireland for the year
1914.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Pawnbrokers' Returns from the City Marshall
of Dublin for the year 1913.

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

Mr. Holhouse presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
the Foreign and Colonial Post (Cash on Delivery)
Amendment (No. 12) Warrant, 1915, dated
31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Runceiman presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Supplementary Regulation, dated 29th April
1915, made by the Board of Trade pursuant to
Section 2 of the Labour Exchanges Act, 1909.

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

Mr. Secretary M'Kenna presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the
Departmental Committee on alleged German
Outrages, with Appendix.

Copy of Appendix to the Report of the Royal
Commission on the Public Services in India,
Minutes of Evidence relating to certain Depart-
ments taken at Delhi, Calcutta, Madras, Bombay,
and London. Volumes XIII., XIV., XVI.,
XVII., XVIII., and XX.

Mr. Secretary M'Kenna also presented, pur-
suant to the directions of several Acts of Parlia-
ment,—Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict,
discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison
on condition that she enters a Home.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of
the aforementioned Local Authorities under the
Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary
of State for the Home Department—
Borough of Wallasey,
City of York,
Urban Districts of Willesden and Gelly-
ager.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Greg, presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and
Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 5441.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Com-
mand,—Copy of Order, dated 31st March 1915,
made by an Act of Parliament, under Section 2 of
the Local Government Board's
Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 3) Act,
1914, entitled the County Borough of Wakefield
(Insurance Committee) Order, 1915.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Provisional Regulations, dated 3rd May 1915,
made by the National Health Insurance Joint
Committee, entitled the National Health Insur-
ance (Societies' Accounts and Administration
Expenses) Amendment Regulations, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table; and that the Paper relative to National
Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regula-
tions) 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:—General
Report of the proceedings of the Conservators
of the River Thames during the year 1914, 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
Financial a Copy of Statement of Revenue and Expen-
siture as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor
of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—
(Mr. Acland.)

Mr. Acland accordingly presented the said
Paper.

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

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 showing the number
of Death Sentences and Executions in British
Crown and other Colonies and Protectorates
during the year 1914, with the population of
such Colonies and Protectorates, respectively
(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 334
of Session 1914).—(Mr. George Greenwood.)

James Coggrave, Esquire, Member for the New Members
County of Galway (East Galway Division), was sworn.

Samuel Goldsmith, Esquire, Member for the County of Durham (Mid Division), was sworn.

Sir John Tudor Walters reported from the Worksop and Bawtry Railway Bill; That in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 3rd day of March last the Committee had struck out Clause 13.

Resolved, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House Message from
Mr. Acland accordingly presented the said
Paper.

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House Message from
the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords communicate that they have come Consolidation to the following Resolution, viz., That it is
desirable that all Consolidation Bills in the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

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

Mr. Middlebrook reported from the Local
Legislation Committee; That in the case of the
Lurgan Urban District Council Bill they had
examined the allegations contained in the Pres-
sumption 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 there-
unto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table; and be printed.
Mr. Secretary Harcourt, supported by Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to enable the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, to be extended to Protected States; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Harcourt, supported by Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to facilitate Marriages between British subjects resident in the United Kingdom and British subjects resident in other parts of His Majesty's Dominions or in British Protectorates: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Teanant presented a Bill to amend section eighty-three of the Army Act with respect to Transfers during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, 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, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means. (In the Committee.)

Income Tax.

Resolved, That—

(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, at the rate of two shillings and six pence in the pound; and Super Tax shall be charged for that year at double the rates mentioned in section three of the Finance Act, 1914; and

(b) the like provisions shall have effect with respect to the Income Tax so charged, including Super Tax, and the annual value of property, as had effect under section two of the Finance Act, 1914, with respect to the Income Tax thereby charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and the value of property during that year; and

(c) it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy 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.

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 the Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Bill;
Wednesday, 5th May 1915.

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 from this day's Sitting:

Whereupon Mr. Whitely, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Beamish'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.

Denny'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.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Chelmsford Corporation Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Southend Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Conway Fisheries Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Sea Fisheries (Cardigan Bay) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Sea Fisheries (Poole) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, relating to Andover, Boston and District, Chipstead and District, Connah's Quay, East Grinstead Urban District, Selby and District, Southampton (Extension), and Street and 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.

Mr. M'Kinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Caledonian Railway; And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Labour Exchanges Acts, 1909, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the University of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, made by the Governing Body of Oriel College, Oxford, on the 7th No. 225, December 1914, and sealed on the 8th day of that month, amending Statute II., Clauses 6 and 7, of the existing Statutes of the College.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of the Annual Report by the Accountant for Scotland to the Scotch Education Department.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, pursuant to the East India House Accounts of the Government of India.

No. 326. Copy of Finance and Revenue Accounts of East India of the Government of India for the year 1914-14.

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

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Sir John Tudor Walters reported from the Railway Bills Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, (Group 1.) for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on Tramways Provisionsal Orders Bill; 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 same to the House, with Amendments.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman reported the Ilfracombe Ilfracombe Gas Bill [Lords.] with Amendments.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported the Deaf Dumb and Dumb Poor Asylum Bill [Lords.] with Amendments.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported the Neath South Canal Navigation Bill [Lords.] with an Amendment.

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

Mr. Speaker informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting:

Whereupon Mr. Whitely, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

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Mr. Deputy 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 Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled an Act to authorise the Sutton District Water Company to raise further moneys, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled an Act to confer further powers on the Northwich Gas Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled an Act for conferring further powers on the Altrincham Gas Company, and for providing for the raising of 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 for creating and issuing preference shares, and debentures or debenture stock, so as in each case to be redeemable: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Sutton District Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The Northwich Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The Altrincham Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, that the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

The 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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment, (Mr. Walter Rea.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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

The Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Methodist Church in Ireland Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended.)

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Caledonian Railway Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Labourers' (provisional) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Disability (Sailors and Soldiers) (Departmental Committee.)

Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Local Government Board upon the provision of Employment for Sailors and Soldiers disabled in the War.

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

Congested Districts (Ireland) (Population.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving the population (1891, 1901, and 1911) and valuation, according to Counties and Poor Law Unions, of the various districts scheduled as congested in Ireland, in the following form—


| Electoral Division | Poor Law Union | County | Valuation 1891 | Populating, 1891 | Populating, 1891 under 45 | Number of Labourers' Cottages or 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 the said area | (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-aces to cottages already built under the said scheme, the number of applications for cottages and extra half-aces 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: (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) Acts, 1906 and 1911, to agricultural Labourers; and (g) Return made up to the 31st day of March 1915 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 276 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Flavin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 4th day of May 1915, stating the circumstances under which certain Civil Servants have been retained in the Service after they have attained the age of Sixty-five; and of the Return therein referred to.—(Mr. Acland.)

Mr. Deputy 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 revive and extend the powers for the acquisition of lands, and to extend the time for the construction of certain authorised trams of the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Company, Limited, 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 the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of the House (Supply).—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Territorial Force Bill.—(Mr. Tennant.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm Bill [Amendment] (No. 3) Bill; and of the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon Monday next. (Mr. Tennant.)

The Agriculture (Ireland) Bill was read a second time; and the Committee of the whole House for Monday next. (Mr. Tennant.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Police (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Suspension of right to retire on a pension).

Amendment proposed: in p. 2, l. 11, to leave out from the word "life" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "But provided in such case that the right to receive on retirement such pension shall not, while the constable continues to serve in the force, be liable to forfeiture except in the cases in which a pension when granted is liable to forfeiture under section eight of the Police Act, 1890."—(Mr. Lynch.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and 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.

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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Copyright (British Museum) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Secretary Harcourt.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

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Resolved, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

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 desire their concurrence.

The Statutory Companies (Redeemable Stock) 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. Robertson.)

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply:

Resolved, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Supply of [28th April] be received upon Monday next.

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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 29th 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 Mental Treatment Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 4th day of this instant May, communicating a Resolution, That it is desirable that all Consolidation Bills in the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in the said Resolution.—(Mr. Galland.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith : And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Seven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary M'Kenzie presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, 1912.—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the Local Authorities under the Shop Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Devon (Parish of Hemyock),

County of Brecon (Urban District of Brynmawr),

Borough of Bury Saint Edmunds,

Rural District of Gower (Parish of Llanrhidian Higher).

Copy of Orders (three) made by the Council of the County Palatine of Lancaster, dividing the Parliamentary Counties of the Gorton, Prestwich, and Stretford Divisions of the County of Lancaster into polling districts, and assigning polling places and Courts of revising barristers thereto.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, by His Majesty's Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, directions of an Act of Parliament, copied from the Annual Report of the National Insurance Commissioners for the year 1914.

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

Mr. Runesson presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Insurance (Courts of Referees) Emergency Regulations, 1915, made by the Board of Trade under the National Insurance Act, 1911, dated 5th May 1915.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Council of Ireland, by Order of the Irish Land Commission during the month of January 1915.

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

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Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 26th April 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army Fund) Regulations, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return, and the Paper relative to National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Reports by United States Officials on the treatment of British Prisoners of War and interned Civilians at certain places of detention in Germany.

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

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Result of test of Gun-layers with Heavy Guns and Light Quick-firing Guns in His Majesty’s Fleet, 1914.

Copy of Report of His Majesty’s Astronomer at the Cape of Good Hope Observatory to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the year 1914.

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

Sir Harry Verney, supported by Mr. Macnamara and Mr. Robertson, presented a Bill to make provision for facilitating the improvement, management, and maintenance of small Harbours principally used by the Fishing industry: And the same was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert Lewis, supported by Mr. Herbert Samuel, presented a Bill to consolidate certain enactments relating to Milk and Dairies: And the same was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant May, That the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 3) 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 from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “this House declines to proceed further with a measure under which invidious distinctions may be made between similar localities, which does not provide for the enforcement of a uniform control by the State of the sale and supply of intoxicating liquor in all areas in which war material is being made, or loaded or unloaded, or dealt with in transit, or in which men belonging to His Majesty’s naval or military forces are assembled, and makes no provision for the drastic limitation of opportunities for drink in all other areas in Great Britain”—(Mr. Cowen),—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.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Army Act Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

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 Statutory Companies (Redeemable Stock) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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.

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 Mental Treatment 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) 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 receiving Supply of the 4th day of this instant May;—The Report from the Committee of Supply of the 5th day of this instant May:—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply of the 15th day of April last;—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply of the 26th day of April last;—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant May;—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 29th day of April last;—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Tuesday, 11th May 1915.

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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Liverpool Corporation 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 Barnoldswick Urban District Council Barnoldswick 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 Chelmsford Corporation Gas Bill was Chelmsford Corporation Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Dewsbury Corporation Bill was read the Dewsbury Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Friends' Provident Institution Bill was Friends' Provident Institution Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Mersey Railway Bill [Lords] was read Mersey Railway Bill [Lords].

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 Metropolitan Water Board Bill was read Metropolitan Water Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &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 Southend 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 House proceeded to take into consideration the Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ilfracombe Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lurgan 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 North Canal Navigation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Brighton and Hove Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Frimley and Farnborough District Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Orderd, That the London County Council (Money) Bill [Lords] be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Ormskirk Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Salop County Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Warwick Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Sir Harry Verney presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Land Drainage Act, 1891, in the matter of a proposed Drainage District in the Parishes of Fangfoss, Full Sutton, Bolton, High Catton, Wilberfoss, Newton-upon-Derwent, Allerthorpe, Thornton, Storrowd, Melbourne, Whaldrake, Thorngaby with West Cottingwith, East Cottingwith and Blyby, in the East Riding of the County of York: 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. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Great North of Scotland Railway: 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 19th day of this instant May: and to be printed.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Five Orders in Council under the Naval and Military Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 29th April 1915, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Prize Act, 1864, and the Prize Courts Act, 1894, dated 29th April 1915, finally approving certain amendments in the Rules as to the procedure and practice of Prize Courts, in force under the Orders in Council dated 17th September and 28th November 1914, and 3rd February 1915.

Copy of Order in Council under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, dated 29th April 1915, transferring to the Essex County Association certain property hitherto held by Trustees for the benefit of the 7th Battalion Essex Regiment, of the Territorial Force.

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

Mr. Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Navy Command,—Copy of Return showing the number of Recruits that have been elected from German warships by His Majesty's vessels, and from His Majesty's vessels by German warships, respectively.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by the Lords.

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 Return of the Lord Chancellor of the number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, and the number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics, between 1st October 1914 and the 31st March 1915.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Halifax Act to confer powers on the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Halifax for the construction of tramways; to provide and run trolley vehicles and omnibuses, and to make further provision with regard to their tramway undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An South Shields Act to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of South Shields in regard to their tramway undertaking; to extend their mill-lam quay; to construct street works and to acquire lands; to make better provisions in regard to their tramway undertaking and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An West Aberdare Act to confer further capital powers on the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of West Aberdare to make and maintain tramways, and to run trolley cars by railless traction and motor omnibuses; to carry out street improvements, etc. Bill [Lords].
Spirits

Immature

Bill.

(Scotland)

Consolidation

Bills.

South

Staffordshire

Water

Bill

[Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to authorise the South Staffordshire Waterworks Company to extend their limits of supply; to construct new works; to raise additional capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Five Lords to join with a Committee of this House to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session, and request this House to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room A on Monday the 17th day of this instant May, at half an hour after Three of the clock.

The Lords have referred the Government of India Bill [Lords] to the Joint Committee appointed to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session.

The Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. M'Kinnon Wood, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the appointment of Special Constables 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 proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to restrict the supply and sale of Immature Spirits—(Mr. Attorney General—

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.

And the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Acland do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly presented a Bill to restrict the supply and sale of Immature Spirits: 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 the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (State control of liquor trade in certain areas).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the word "twelve," in order to insert the word "six."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the word "twelve" stand part of the Clause—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that if the local authority in any area or part of an area to which the regulations apply represent that the continuance of such regulations, or any of them, is inexpedient, such regulations, or regulation shall not have effect after one month from the date of such representation in that area or part of an area, unless a public local inquiry shall have been held during such month by a commissioner appointed by His Majesty, and the report of the said commissioner shall have been received and published. For the purpose of this section the expression "local authority" means, for any area or part of an area comprised within a county borough or borough, the council of such borough, and in every other case the council of the county in which the area or part of an area is comprised."—(Mr. James Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, to leave out the words "selling or supplying or."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

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. 28, to leave out the words "and either."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

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. 2, after the word "licensed," to insert the word "business."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the word "business" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out the words "(including, if thought fit, the supply of intoxicating liquor)."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

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. 15, after the word "interested," to insert the words "or employed."—(Mr. Clynes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Limitation of Act)—(Mr. Pratt)—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.

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 now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

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

Array Act Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Powers of transfer and posting).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the word "forces," to insert the words "other than the Army medical services."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee proceeded to a Division; Mr. Hodge was appointed a Teller for the Ayes, but no Member being willing to act as the Second Teller, the Chairman declared the Noes had it.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Treatment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wales Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Fishery Harbours Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fishery Harbours Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Sir Henry Verney.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) 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.

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The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [4th May] 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 [15th April] 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 [28th April] 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 Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant May;—(Lords.)

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Ways and Means of the 29th day of April Means last several Resolutions;—which were read, as follows:

Spirits (Customs).

1. That, in addition to the duties of Customs Spirits now payable on spirits imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Spirits (Excise).

2. That, in addition to the duty of Excise Spirits now payable, for every gallon computed at proof (Excise) of spirits distilled in the United Kingdom there shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):—

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and so on in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Wine.

3. That, in lieu of the duties now payable on Wine, wine imported into Great Britain or Ireland,
There shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged, levied, and paid the following duties (that is to say):

**Beer (Excise).**

- For every 36 gallons of beer brewed at a gravity—
  - Of more than 45 degrees and not exceeding 48 degrees - £ 0 12 0
  - Of more than 48 degrees and not exceeding 53 degrees - £ 1 4 0
  - Of 53 degrees and over - £ 1 16 0

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

**Beer (Customs).**

4. That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on beer imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the third day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged, levied, and paid, in the case of every description of beer (other than beer called or similar to mum, spruce, black beer, or Berlin white beer, or other preparations, whether fermented or not fermented, of a similar character), the following duties on heavier beers (that is to say):

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

**Wine:**

- Of more than 43 degrees and not exceeding 48 degrees - £ 0 12 0
- Of more than 48 degrees and not exceeding 53 degrees - £ 1 4 0
- Of 53 degrees and over - £ 1 16 0

Order, That the postponed Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

**Prayers.**

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

**Order of the day.**

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

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, for the year 1914.
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The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland under the Motor Car Act, 1903, dated 30th April 1915, partially rescinding the Motor Cars Regulation (County of Argyll) (No. 3) Order, 1915.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order, dated 7th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Customs, Crown Employment) Order (Scotland) (No. 1), 1915.

Copy of Special Order, dated 7th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Employers' Custom) Order (Scotland), 1915 (No. 1).

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

Mr. Secretary Harcourt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the amendment of the British North America Act, 1867.

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. 5443 and 5444.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to Rules for Military Detention Barracks and Military Prisons.

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 Indian Financial Statement and Budget for 1915-16, and discussions thereon in the Legislative Council of the Governor General (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 232 of Session 1914).

—(Colonel Tate.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Conway 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Sea Fisheries (Poole) 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Provisional Orders) Bill; 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, 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 (Provisional Orders) Bill; 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 to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Provisional Orders) Bill; 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, 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. Secretary Harcourt, supported by the Prime Minister and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to amend the British North America Act, 1867: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Defence of the Realm (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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into Ways and Means.

(In the Committee,

Resolved, That the Customs duty charged on tea until the first day of July, nineteen hundred...
and fifteen, shall be charged as from that date until the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen (that is to say)—

Tea, the pound - eight pence;

and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax—Supplemental.

Rate of Income Tax for the purpose of the Reduction of Tax on Earned Income and Small Incomes.

Resolved, That the rates of tax mentioned in sections four and six of the Finance Act, 1914, in connection with the relief given in respect of earned income and small incomes, shall be doubled.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Assessment of Total Income.

Resolved, That an assessment to Income Tax on income from any source which has become final and conclusive for the purpose of Income Tax for any year shall, in estimating total income from all sources for the purposes of Super Tax for the following year, or of any exemption, relief, or abatement under the Income Tax Acts, be deemed to be the amount of income from that source.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Insurance Companies.

Resolved, (1) That it is expedient that assurance companies be assessed and charged to Income Tax separately in respect of each class of business carried on by them.

(2) That, in ascertaining whether a company carrying on life assurance business has sustained a loss in respect of that business, any income of the company derived from its life assurance investments shall be treated as part of the profits of the company acquired in that business.

(3) That the amount of annuities which a company carrying on the business of granting annuities is entitled, for the purposes of subsection (3) of section twenty-four of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1888, to treat as having been paid out of profit or gains brought into charge to Income Tax shall not exceed the amount of the taxed income of its annuity fund.

(4) That an assurance company not having its head office in the United Kingdom, but doing assurance business through any branch or agency in the United Kingdom, shall be charged to Income Tax on its income from investments, wherever received, in proportion to the amount of business done by the company in the United Kingdom.

(5) That a person shall not be entitled under section 54 of the Incomes Tax Act, 1853 (as amended by any subsequent enactment), to deduct from profits or gains—

(a) in respect of any premium or other payment payable for securing a capital sum on death (whether in conjunction with any other benefit or not), more than five per cent. of that capital sum; and

(b) in respect of any premiums or payments to which that section applies payable for securing any other benefits, more than fifty pounds in all; and

the relief under that section by way of repayment of tax, and the deductions from income allowed for the purposes of Super Tax under subsection (2) of section sixty-six of the Finance (1909–10) Act, 1910, shall be accordingly limited.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Amendment of Law.

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise).—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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 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 Immature Spirits (Restriction) Bill was, Immaterially proxied according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Gulland.)

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant May;—

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the first and second of the Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 29th day of April last, and which Resolutions were then postponed;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Fishery Committee on the Fishery Harbours Bill;

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

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 6th day of this instant May;

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 15th day of April last;

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 28th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 11th day of this instant May, as relates to the appointment of a Joint Committee to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session be now taken into consideration.

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 appointed by the Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 11th day of this instant May, to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mr. Cave, Sir John Jardine, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Charles Roberts, and Colonel Yate were nominated Members of the Select Committee.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That the Committee of this House do meet the Lords' Committee, as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Gulland):—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.

[No. 52.]
Thursday, 13th May 1915.

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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), 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 Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended).

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Conway Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sea Fisheries (Cardigan Bay) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sea Fisheries (Poole) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Conway Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 12th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to East India (Financial Statement and Budget).

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Manchester.

Borough of Alderburgh.

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

Mr. Tevlin presented, by His Majesty's Army Command, Estimate of charge for Ordnance Factories for the year 1915-16.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Retail Coal Command, Copy of Minutes of Evidence, with Appendix, of the Departmental Committee.
appointed by the Board of Trade to inquire into the causes of the present rise in the retail price of Coal sold for domestic use.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Interim Report on the work in connection with the War at present undertaken by the Medical Research Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill, without any Amendment.

Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Sir John Taunton Walters reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Adjourment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(The Prime Minister):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Housing (Rosyth Dockyard) Bill.

Mr. McKinnon Wood, supported by Mr. George Lambert, presented a Bill to facilitate the early payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid:

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915–16.

Class II.

£70,545, to complete the sum for the Salaries and other Expenses in the Department of His Majesty’s Treasury and subordinate Departments, including Expenses in respect of Advances under the Light Railways Act, 1896. Resolution to be reported.

Class IV.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £20,915,374 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid:

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

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

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 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 5th day of this instant May; 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 15th 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 26th day of April last; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 12th day of this instant May; 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 4th day of this instant May; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the first and second of the Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee (Postponed Resolutions) of Ways and Means of the 29th day of April last, and which Resolutions were then post-poned; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fishery Committee on the Fishery Harbours Bill; Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) 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 Special Constables (Scotland) Bill:

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

[No. 53.]

Monday, 17th May 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The Conway 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 Local Government Provisional Orders (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.

The Sea Fisheries (Cardigan Bay) 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 Sea Fisheries (Poole) 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.

Sir Harry Verney presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Land Drainage Act, 1914, relating to the River Ouse, in the County of Norfolk : 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 Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the months of August, September, October, and November 1914.

Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1877, of the number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in Ireland during the quarter ended 31st March 1915.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the high directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statute V. of University College, Cork, under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

Copy of the Compensation for Gooseberry Department of Bushes (County Dublin) Order, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Irish Parliament, Universities, 1908, be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by European War His Majesty's Command,—Copy of collected Diplomatic Documents relating to the outbreak of the European War.

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

Sir Harry Verney presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of collected Diplomatic Documents relating to the outbreak of the European War.

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

Mr. Secretary McKenna presented, pursuant shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Bradford (a specified area within the city).

County of Buckingham (Urban District of Slough).

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of the Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Conservators of the River Medway for the year ending 25th March 1915.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Copyright (British Museums) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Fugitive Offenders Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriage of British Subjects Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Police (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Doncaster Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Blyth Harbour Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Lords have agreed to the Great Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Central Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorize the Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board to construct additional tramways; to extend their area for the supply of electricity, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate and convert the existing shares of the Prescot Gas Company; to authorize the Company to raise additional capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Wolverhampton Corporation Water Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Prescot Gas Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.


Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

**Income Tax.**

(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, at the rate of two shillings and six pence in the pound; and Super Tax shall be charged for that year at double the rates mentioned in section three of the Finance Act, 1914; and

(b) The like provisions shall have effect with respect to the Income Tax so charged, including Super Tax, and the annual value of property as had effect under section two of the Finance Act, 1914, with respect to the Income Tax thereby charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and the value of property during that year; and

(c) It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 12th day of this instant May several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

**Tea.**

That the Customs duty charged on tea until the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifteen, shall be charged as from that date until the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen (that is to say):—

Tea, the pound - eight pence; and it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

**Income Tax—Supplemental.**

Rate of Income Tax for the purpose of the Reduction of Tax on Earned Income and Small Incomes.

That the rates of tax mentioned in sections one and two of the Finance Act, 1914, in consideration with the relief given in respect of earned income and small incomes, shall be doubled.

**Ascertainment of Total Income.**

That an assessment to Income Tax on income Ascertainment of Total Income, from any source which has become final and conclusive for the purpose of Income Tax for any year shall, in estimating total income from all sources for the purposes of Super Tax for the following year, or of any exemption, relief, or abatement under the Income Tax Acts, be deemed to be the amount of income from that source.

**Assurance Companies.**

(1) That it is expedient that assurance companies be assessed and charged to Income Tax Companies, separately in respect of each class of business carried on by them.

(2) That, in ascertaining whether a company carrying on life insurance business has sustained a loss in respect of that business, any income of the company derived from its life insurance investments shall be treated as part of the profits of the company acquired in that business.

(3) That the amount of annuities which a company carrying on the business of granting annuities is entitled, for the purposes of subsection (3) of section twenty-four of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1888, to treat as having been paid out of profits or gains brought into charge to Income Tax shall not exceed the amount of the taxed income of its annuity fund.

(4) That an assurance company not having its head office in the United Kingdom, but doing assurance business through any branch or agency in the United Kingdom, shall be charged to Income Tax on its income from investments, wherever received, in proportion to the amount of business done by the company in the United Kingdom.

(5) That no person shall be entitled under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853 (as amended by any subsequent enactment), to deduct from profits or gains—
(a) in respect of any premium or other payment payable for securing a capital sum on death (whether in conjunction with any other benefit or not), more than five per cent of that capital sum; and
(b) in respect of any premiums or payments to which that section applies payable for securing any other benefits, more than fifty pounds in all;
and the relief under that section by way of repayment of tax, and the deductions from income allowed for the purposes of Super Tax under subsection (2) of section sixty-six of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, shall be accordingly limited.

Amendment of Law.

That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise).

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the first and second of the Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 24th day of April last, and which Resolutions were then read a second time, and postponed;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Immature Spirits (Restriction) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Restriction on delivery for the purposes of home consumption of immature spirits).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "delivered," to insert the words "out of bond."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That these words be there inserted....Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the word "three," in order to insert the word "two."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

Question proposed, That the word "three" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "to the payment of such duties, if any, as Parliament may determine and."—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.)

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. 17, to leave out from the second word "to" to the end of l. 20, in order to insert the words "persons, firms, or bodies corporate licensed for the purpose, for use in the making of such products, including medicines and perfumes, as the Commissioner of Customs and Excise may determine."—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave out the words "one year," in order to insert the words "six months."—(Mr. Ronald M'Neill.)

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. 9, to leave out the word "nine," in order to insert the word "three."—(Mr. Bigland.)

Question proposed, That the word "nine" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Existing contracts) — (Mr. Scott Dickson)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Compensation not to be given) — (Mr. Concise)—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.

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; and be printed.

The British North America Bill was, according British North America Bill.

Ordered, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Secretary Harcourt.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(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.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

The Special Constables (Scotland) Bill was, Special Constables (Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. McKinnon Woulfl.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fishery Harbours Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Classes No. 1 to No. 4 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 Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th 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 Supply of the 15th day of this instant May;—(Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Reports be received to-morrow.

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 not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

- Spennymoor and Todhoe Gas Bill [Lords].
- South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords].
- West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords].
- Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords].
- Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) Bill [Lords].
- South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

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, the Standing Orders applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

- Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
- Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

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

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th day of this instant May, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Great Central Railway 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 Deaf and Dumb Poor Asylum 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 Ilfracombe 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 this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Lurgan 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 Northwich Gas 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 Workkamp and Bawtry Railway 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 Altrincham Gas Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Northwich Gas Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Sutton District Water Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government 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.

Six Harry Verney presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Land Drainage Act, 1861, in the matter of a proposed drainage district in the Parishes of Raveningham, Norton Subcourse, Thurlton, Loddon, Chedgrave, and Reedinam: 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Lossiemouth and Port- (Extension), (No. 4) Bill. Made: 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Catterwater and Poole (No. 2) Bill. Made: 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. Birrell presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the Urban District of Kingstown, the Rural Districts of Dingle, Kenmare and Bathurst, and the Londonerry Hospital District, the Henley and Wallingford Hospital Districts, and the North-East Salop United Districts: 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Boards of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Orders, 1909, relating to Harrogate (Extension), (No. 4) Bill. Made: 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Orders, 1861, relating to Lossiemouth and Port- (Extension), (No. 4) Bill. Made: 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. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Orders, 1861, relating to Catterwater and Poole (No. 2) Bill. Made: 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.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Orders, 1861, relating to Catterwater and Poole (No. 2) Bill. Made: 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.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Robertson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Orders, 1861, relating to Catterwater and Poole (No. 2) Bill. Made: 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. Ernest Gardner reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 28th day of April last, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution.

Mr. Ernest Gardner 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 to confer further powers upon the London County Council with regard to Parks and Open Spaces and other matters; to confer various powers upon Metropolitan Borough Councils, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the London Electric Railway Companies’ Facilities, 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 Port of London Authority [Lords], 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.

Sir John Tudor Walters reported from the Committee on the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill; That in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 22nd day of February last the Committee had struck out Tramways Nos. 3 and 3A.

Sir John Tudor Walters 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.

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 Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Army Act Amendment (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Statutory Companies (Redeemable Stock) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the North Canal Navigation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Defa and Dumb Poor Asylum Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Ilfracombe Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Immature Spirits (Restriction) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by inserting, after the word “consumption,” the words “during the period of the war.”—(Mr. Outhwaite.)

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. 7, by leaving out the word “three,” and inserting the word “five.”—(Mr. Outhwaite), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “three” stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 26, by leaving out Clause 2. —(Mr. Laugh.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 six months.”—(Mr. Cowan.)

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 House, according to Order, proceeded to Ways and Means and took into further consideration the first and second of the Resolutions which, upon the 11th day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 29th April last, and which Resolutions were then read a second time, and postponed.

The First Resolution was again read, as followeth:

1. That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on spirits imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and
fifteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say) —

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. — (Mr. Attorney General.)

Resolved, That, in addition to the duty of Excise now payable, for every gallon computed at proof of spirits distilled in the United Kingdom there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duty on spirits which are permitted to be delivered for home consumption without having been warehoused for a period of three years (that is to say) —

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and so on in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913. — (Mr. Attorney General.)

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 tomorrow.

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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Housing (Rozyth Dockyard) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to. Clause No. 2 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; and be printed. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House approves of the Reports of the Select Committee on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grants) — (Mr. Secretary M.Keenan); And 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.

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The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The postponed proceeding on the Question, That this House approves of the Reports of the Select Committee on Naval and Military Services (Pensions and Grantes), was resumed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 13th 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 Supply of the 5th 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 Supply of the 15th day of April last:
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) 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.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House to join with a Committee of the Lords on Consolidation Bills have leave to sit during the Recess, notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Forfar Gas Order Confirmation Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Great North of Scotland Railway Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Mr. Robertson, supported by Mr. Herbert Lewis, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Lighting Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, with the concurrence of the Local Government Board, constituting a Joint Board, consisting of representatives of the Urban Districts of Wath-upon-Dearne, Bolton-upon-Dearne, and Thursooe, all in the West Riding of the County of York, for the joint exercise of powers under the Electric Lighting Acts in respect of their respective districts: 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 authorise the City and South London Railway Company, the Central London Railway Company, the London Electric Railway Company, and the Metropolitan District Railway Company, or any of them, to make agreements with each other and with the London General Omnibus Company, Limited, for the purpose of providing increased facilities for the interchange and alternative routing of traffic; the application of receipts; the appointment of a Joint Committee, and other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Ordered, That the Local Legislation Committee have leave to sit to-morrow, notwithstanding the Adjournment of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Forfar Gas Order Confirmation Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee and other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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Mr. Secretary M'Kenna presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales by the Executive Committee of the National Relief Fund on the administration of the Fund up to 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of University College, Oxford, on the 5th December 1914 and the 16th January 1915, amending the Pension Scheme under Statute VI., Section 8 (Miscellaneous), of the existing Statutes of the College.

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


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Mr. Acland 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 1915; 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.

The Order made upon the 2nd day of February last, That the Supplement to the Report of the Board of Trade on the state of Employment in the United Kingdom in December 1914 do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

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 Kilmar noskirk District of Burghs, in the room of Lieutenant William Gymne Charles Gladstone, killed in action.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Weardale and Consett Water Bill.

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

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on the Weardale and Consett Water 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 Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; 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 to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 7) 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, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill do read the third time.

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Frimley and Farnborough District 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.

Ordered, That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Warwick Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Salop County Council 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.

Ordered, That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Bright and How Gas Bill [Lords], with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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Ordered, That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Falmouth Docks 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 directed him to report the same, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Housing (Rosyth Dockyard) 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.

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Mr. Walter Roe reported from the Committee on Ways and Means of the 18th day of this instant May several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
That, in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on spirits imported into Great Britain or Ireland, there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duties on spirits which are permitted to be delivered for home consumption without having been warehoused for a period of three years (that is to say):—

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

That, in addition to the duty of Excise now payable, for every gallon computed at proof of spirits distilled in the United Kingdom, there shall, on and after the eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen, be charged the following duty on spirits which are permitted to be delivered for home consumption without having been warehoused for a period of three years (that is to say):—

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Finance Bill to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue, including Excise; to alter other duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue, including Excise, and the National Debt; and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That this House, at its rising this day, (Whitsuntide,) do adjourn till Tuesday the 8th day of June next.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

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 agreed to the British North America Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Special Constables (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Fishery Harbours Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Immature Spirits (Restriction) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing (Rosyth Dockyard) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Caledonian Railway Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Urban District Council of Ashington to construct new waterworks; to confer further powers on the Council in regard to their water undertakings, and for other purposes; which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ashington Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Message was delivered by Captain Thomas Dacres Butler, 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 having 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 several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follows:

1. Copyright (British Museum) Act, 1915.
2. Fugitive Offenders (Protected States) Act, 1915.
The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 3rd day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till Thursday the 3rd day of June next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 56.]

Thursday, 3rd June 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consider-ation the Amendments made by the Lords to the Blyth Harbour 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 considera- tion 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 considera- tion the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Eastern 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 Frimley and Farnborough District 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 Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.
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Copy of Appendix to the Report of the Royal Commission on Public Services in India, in India (Royal Commission.)

Minutes of Evidence relating to certain
Departments, Volumes XII. and XV.


Copy of the Fifty-ninth Annual Report on the Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Scotland, for 1913.

Copy of Report of the Board of Education for the year 1913-14.


Copy of Regulations under which Grants are made by the Board of Education, payable by the Board of Education to Day Nurseries in England and Wales (in force from 1st April 1915).

Copy of Summary of Returns as to School Board Attendance and Employment in Agriculture, supplied by County Local Education Authorities for the period 1st September 1914 to 30th April 1915.

Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, entitled the Hutton Magna Light Railway Order, 1915.

Copy of Order, dated 25th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the County Borough of Darlington (Insurance Committee) Amendment Order, 1915.

Copy of Order, dated 25th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners under Section 2 of the Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation Bill, and also passed.

The South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Spennymoor and Tunstall Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Forfar Gas 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 Electric Lighting 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 take into consideration the Great North of Scotland Railway Order Confirmation Bill.

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

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 Preston, in the room of Alfred Aspinall Tobin, Esquire, K.C., who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Judge of the County Court of Hereford.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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 Borough of Dublin (College Green Division), in the room of Joseph Patrick Nannetti, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Patrick O'Brien.)

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 Tipperary (North Tipperary Division), in the room of Dr. John Emond, deceased.—(Mr. Patrick O'Brien.)

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Whitsuntide Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:—

Copy of Colonial Report, No. 841 (Leeuward Islands, Report for 1913-14).

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken in Newfoundland in 1914 by the Royal Commission on the Natural Resources, Trade, and Legislation of certain portions of His Majesty's Dominions.
inquire into the conditions prevailing in the Coal Mining Industry due to the War. Part I. Report.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hennessy 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 year 1914.

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

Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the year 1914.

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 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 1915.

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 1915.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract of Account of Fines accounted for by the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks for the year 1913.

Copy of Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure under the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, for the year 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Fines, &c. (Ireland), and the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, be printed.

Mr. Montague presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of April last, for a Return relative to Government Departments Securities.

Mr. Montague also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 21st May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Amendment Regulations (Wales), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 19th May 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1915.
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 Finance Second Reading of the Finance (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till Adjournment, to-morrow, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.—(Mr. Gulland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 4th June 1915.

The House met at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into considera-
tion the Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the London County Council London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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.

The Great North of Scotland Railway Order Great North of Scotland Railway 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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desired 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 having 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 Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as follows:—

Re-election of Ministers Act, 1915.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Gulland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 58.]

Monday, 7th June 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

T H E House proceeded to take into consideration the Brighton and Hove Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ormskirk Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Weardale and Consett Water Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 204 and 255 be suspended in the case of any Bill the time for the Second Reading of which expired during the Whitsuntide Recess, and that the Second Reading of any such Bill shall be set down upon Wednesday the 9th day of this instant June.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 174, dated 28th May 1915, entitled the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1915.

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

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The Ministry of Munitions 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. Walter Ren.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Ministry of Munitions (Salaries, &c.).

(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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of April 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 13th day of May 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 28th day of April last:

Ordered, That the Report be received 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 Second Reading of the Finance (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment.

Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Wolverhampton Corporation Water Bill [Lords].
Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Bill [Lords].
Prescot Gas Bill [Lords].
Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board Bill [Lords].
Ashington Urban District Council Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report provisional from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Order Bills, That in the case of the following Orders, Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no applicable Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill.
Land Drainage (Raveningham) Provisional Order Bill.
Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report provisional from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Order Bills, That in the case of the following Orders, Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the applicable Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.
Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.
Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.

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

Sanction County Council Bill [Lords.]

The Salop County Council 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.

Preliminary Act (Conditional Licence.)

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command.— Copy of Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, and modified and confirmed by the Board of Trade, entitled the Clayton-le-Moors Light Railway (Extension of Time) Order, 1915.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Report of the proceedings of the Board of Trade under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, up to the 31st December 1914, and of the proceedings of the Light Railway Commissioners up to the same date.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on applications made during the year 1914 under the Railway Companies' Powers Act, 1896, and of the proceedings of the Board of Trade with respect thereto.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, and the Railway Companies' Powers Act, 1884, be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the work done in the Land Registry, in each of the years 1912, 1913, and 1914, and of the proceedings of the Board of Trade with respect to the same.

A statement, so far as may be practicable, of the nature and amount of the work done under these Acts from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.

The number of registrations, official searches and ordinary searches made from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.


The number of registrations and searches made from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.

The number of registrations, official searches and ordinary searches made from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.

The number of registrations, official searches and ordinary searches made from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.

6. Under the Middlesex Registry Act, 1708, and the Land Registry (Middlesex Deeds) Act, 1891—

The number of registrations, official searches and ordinary searches made from the 1st day of January 1912 to the 31st day of December 1914.

And showing the amount of fees received and the amount of salaries and expenses in the Land Registry from the 1st day of April 1912 to the 31st day of March 1915, distinguishing for the purposes of Section 22 of the Land Transfer Act, 1897, the fees received and salaries and expenses paid under the Land Transfer Acts and the other Acts above referred to (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 453 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Rowlands.)
Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Forfar Gas Order Confirmation Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on Ministry of Munitions [Salaries, &c.] a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a salary not exceeding five thousand pounds a year to the Minister of Munitions; and of such salaries and remuneration as the Treasury may determine to the secretaries, officers, and servants of the Ministry of Munitions, and of all expenses incurred by the said Ministry, to such amount as may be sanctioned by the Treasury, under any Act of the present Session for establishing, in connection with the present War, a Ministry of Munitions of War, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ministry of Munitions Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of Ministry of Munitions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word “it,” in l. 6. —(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

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. 10, to leave out the word “Minister,” in order to insert the word “Treasury.”—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the word “Minister” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Powers of Minister).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word “war,” to insert the words “and for the organisation of industry and the utilisation of labour and capital in connection therewith,”—(Mr. Cowan.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Ability of Minister and secretaries to sit in Parliament).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 29, to leave out the word “two,” in order to insert the word “one.”—(Mr. Hobhouse.)

Question proposed, That the word “two” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 6 and No. 7 amended, and 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 now taken into consideration:—

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

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 Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of 15th April 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 5th May 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 13th May 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 28th April last;

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 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 Finance Second Reading of the Finance (No. 2) Bill; (No. 59) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Post-Peace Settlement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the London Electric Railway Companies' Facilities Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), 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 Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Weardale and Consett Water Bill, 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 Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23rd day of this instant June.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Forfar Gas Order Confirmation 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 Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Land Drainage (Raveningham) Provisional Order Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1877, made by the Secretary for Scotland, declaring Police Cells at Dunoon, Inveraray, and Lochgilphead, in the County of Argyll, to be Legal Prisons for the detention of Prisoners for a period not exceeding five days before or during or after trial.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the County Borough of Brighton, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Prisons the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Scotland.) Rule under the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, made by the Secretary for Scotland, declaring Police Cells at Dunoon, Inveraray, and Lochgilphead, in the County of Argyll, to be Legal Prisons for the detention of Prisoners for a period not exceeding five days before or during or after trial.

Copy of Rule under the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, made by the Secretary for Scotland, (Scotland.) as to the appointment of a Visiting Committee No. 257. to the Police Cells Prison at Lochgilphead.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's See Fund Command,—Copy of Account of the Fee Fund of the House of Lords from the 1st April 1914 to the 31st March 1915.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented East India 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, Works.) and the proposed expenditure thereon during 1915-16 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 318 of Session 1914.)-(Sir Robert Price).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Munitions Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Streatley and Goring Bridge Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16. Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £41,553 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, including certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod being come with a Message for the House to attend the Lords Commissioners, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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:—Having 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 Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

2. Frimley and Farnborough District Water Act, 1915.
5. Great Eastern Railway Act, 1915.
7. Salop County Council (Shirehall and Guildhall) Act, 1915.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £13,030 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, including certain Grants in Aid:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class II.

1. £13,030, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board for Scotland, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays.

Class IV.

2. £1,609,905, to complete the sum necessary for Public Education in Scotland, and for Science and Art in Scotland.
3. £2,278, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, and the Museum of Antiquities.

Class II.

4. £6,355, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

5. £5,321, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in Scotland.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,630 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board for Scotland:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

6. £10,421, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and subordinate Offices, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, and Expenses under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

Class III.

7. £52,476, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in Scotland.
8. £6,084, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Scottish Land Court.
9. £25,811, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh.
10. £63,135, to complete the sum necessary for the Salaries and Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, and of the Prisons under their control, including the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics, Defectives, and Inmates of the State Inebriate Reformatory, and the preparation of Judicial Statistics.

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 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 receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of (15th April) the 15th day of April last:

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 (15th May) the 5th day of May last:

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 (15th May) the 15th day of May last:

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 (28th April) the 28th day of April last:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Adjournment.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance (No. 2) Bill; 

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

Wales Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.];

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 61.]

Thursday, 10th June 1915.

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 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.:—

Electrical Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time upon 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, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

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

The Brighton and Hove Gas 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 Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments, Vol. 170.

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 London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) 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 the Second Reading of the London Electric Railway Companies' Facilities Bill:

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Board of Education,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Museum and on the Geological Survey and Education;

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Navy and Command,—Copy of Report for the year 1914 on the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Bethnal Green Museum.

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

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1915, and payable under the provisions of Section 9 (1) of the Civil List Act, 1910.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table, and be printed; and that the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Colonial Reports for 1914 of the Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ionard Law presented, by His Colonial Office,

Copies of Reports for 1914 on the Science Board of Agriculture, Warlike Operations and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1915-16; and Supply of Credit.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.
Gas and Water Provisional Orders. (No. 1) Bill. [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords.]

The Deputy Chairman reported the Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords], with an Amendment.

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

West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Supply [12th allotted Day.]

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class II.

1. £178,549, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and subordinate Departments.

2. £74,671, for the Salaries and Expenses of certain Services transferred from the Mercantile Marine Fund, and other Services connected with the Mercantile Marine, including Merchant Seamen’s Fund Pensions.

3. £6, for meeting the deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914.

Class VII.

4. £734,430, for the Salaries of the Staff and other Expenses of Labour Exchanges, including the Contribution to the Unemployment Insurance Fund and Repayments to Associations pursuant to Sections 85 and 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Class I.

5. £12,087, for maintaining certain Harbours under the Board of Trade, and for Grants in Aid of Harbours.

Class VI.

6. £500, for Expenditure in connection with International Exhibitions.

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 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 receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [15th April] the 15th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [5th May] the 5th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [18th May] the 15th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [28th April] the 28th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [9th June] the 9th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 3rd day of
February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

[No. 62.]

Monday, 14th June 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Metropolitan District 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 proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Seaford and Sefton Junction 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.

Ormskirk Gas and Electricity 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 Weardale and Consett 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 Ashington Urban District Council Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Prescot Gas Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Stalybridge, Hyde, Moseley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Wolverhampton Corporation Water Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) 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 Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Bryce presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act, 1905.

Ordered, That Standing Order 195 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.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Railway Command,—Copy of Summary 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 1914; together with Reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's National Command,—Annual Accounts of Receipts and Payments in respect of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Pension Fund for the year 1914.

Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee on Aeronautics for Aeronautics for the year 1914—15.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the Superdirections of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 14th May 1915, granting a retired allowance to Richard Thomas Perry, Assistant Inspector of Postmen, Harrow, Post Office.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Universities Statute V. of the National University of Ireland under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into Tuberculosis (Human and Bovine), Part II. Appendix. Volume VII. Graphic Charts.

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Licence granted to a Convict, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

- County of Cornwall (Urban District of Newquay).
- County of Glamorgan (Urban District of Bridgend).
- City of Gloucester.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Comparison between Pay Allowances and regular compulsory Deductions in the case of Infantry Privates of the Territorial Force at Home and in India.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to East India (Railways and Irrigation Works).

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to the 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Urban Hanlon Broughton, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Preston, was sworn.

The Finance (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

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

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 29th day of April 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 June.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception of such as relate to Private Bills; and that such Committee do classify and prepare abstracts of the same, in such form and manner as shall appear to them best suited to convey to the House all requisite information respecting their contents, and do report the same from time to time to the House; and that the Reports of the Committee do set forth, in respect of each Petition, the number of signatures which are accompanied by addresses, and which are written on sheets headed in every case by the prayer of the Petition, provided that on every separate sheet after the first the prayer may be reproduced in print or by other mechanical process; that such Committee have power to direct the printing in extenso of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions, as shall appear to require it; and that such Committee have power to report their opinion and observations thereupon to the House.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Galland.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Tuesday, 15th June 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Eighth Report from the Commissioners of Arundel Port, for the period from 25th March 1914 to 25th March 1915.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of Saint Andrews for 1913-14.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the University of Saint Andrews be printed.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 12th June 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Transition to Full Rate of Benefit) Amendment Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 14th June 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Amendment Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th June 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Time for Joining an Approved Society) Amendment Regulations, 1915.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson, pursuant to Naval and Military Pay Provisions of Two Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 2nd June and 10th June 1915, respectively.


Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, dated 2nd June 1915, postponing the date of operation of the Act of 1894 to 1st January 1916.

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 the Annual Report and General Account of the Commissioners of Arundel Port for the period from 25th March 1899 to 25th March 1915.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords' Messenger, one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Highland Railway; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Highland Railway Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Confirmation Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Tennant, supported by Mr. Forster, Army Act Amendment Bill presented a Bill to amend the Army Act: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:—

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(The Prime Minister).

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 desires to call attention to expenditure by Government Departments in relation to the War, and to the vital need for public economy."—(Mr. Eversley Cecil).

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 Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.
(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £250,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916 for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 sit again.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £269,888,662 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Montagu.)

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 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 of Supply of the 15th day of May 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 10th day of this instant June ;

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 28th day of April 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 13th day of May 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 June ;

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 26th day of April 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 10th day of this instant June ;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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[No. 64.]

Wednesday, 16th June 1915.

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 Streatley and Goring Bridge 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 Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Ormskirk made by this House to the Ormskirk Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to consolidate, with amendments, certain of the local Acts in force in the Borough of Plymouth; to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of that borough; and to make further provision in regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Plymouth Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Haynes Fisher, supported by Mr. Walter Long and Mr. McKinnon Wood, presented a Bill to postpone the operation of the Milk and Dairies Act, 1914, and the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Act, 1914: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Supply of the 15th day of this instant June a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

That a sum not exceeding £250,000,000 be Supple- granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the monetary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords, according to Order, resolved itself Finance into a Committee on the Finance (No. 2) Bill, (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Duties on immature spirits). Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word "which," to insert the words "if they were imported would."—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.) Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, after the word "manufacture," to insert the words "if the mixture, compound, or preparation is one which is recognised by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise as being used for medicinal purposes."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amend- ment, after the word "recognised," to insert the words "by an advisory body representing medicine, pharmacy, and the Commissioners of
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant June:
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 15th day of this instant June:
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 June:
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 5th day of May last:
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, ordered the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage 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 upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) 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 upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported local from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Spenymoor Committee on the Spenymoor and Tudhoe Gas (No. 5) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended 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 Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

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

(The Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class II.

1. £167,169, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate Offices.
2. £45,603, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England.

Class III.
3. £58,396, for the Salaries of the Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police, and the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary, and Expenses in connection with Special Constables and the Police Reserve.

4. £357,990, for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with discharged Prisoners.

5. £161,824, 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 in Places of Detention under the Children Act, in Great Britain.

6. £29,120, for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Criminal Lunatic Asylums at Broadmoor and Rampton.

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.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant June several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class II.

1. That a sum not exceeding £13,030 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

2. That a sum not exceeding £6,935 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

3. That a sum not exceeding £2,278 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, and the Museum of Antiquities.

Class III.

4. That a sum not exceeding £5,247 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in Scotland.

5. That a sum not exceeding £10,421 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry Office for Scotland.

6. That a sum not exceeding £58,396 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

7. That a sum not exceeding £3,211 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Register General's Office.

8. That a sum not exceeding £2,278 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

9. That a sum not exceeding £6,935 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

10. That a sum not exceeding £63,135 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Supply of the 9th day of this instant June several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class IV.

1. That a sum not exceeding £1,609,905 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 1916 for Public Education in Scotland, and for Science and Art in Scotland.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,609,905 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 1916 for Public Education in Scotland, and for Science and Art in Scotland.

3. That a sum not exceeding £2,278 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland.
and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of
Privy Council for Trade and subordinate
Departments,

2. That a sum not exceeding £74,671 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 1916 for the Salaries and
Expenses of certain Services transferred from
the Mercantile Marine Fund, and other
Services connected with the Mercantile Marine,
including Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions.

3. That a sum not exceeding £6 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 1916 for meeting the
deficiency of Income from Fees, &c., for the
requirements of the Board of Trade under the
Bankruptcy Act, 1914.

Class VII.

4. That a sum not exceeding £734,430 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 1916 for Salaries and
Expenses of the Staff and other Expenses of Labour
Exchanges, including the Contribution to the
Unemployment Insurance Fund and Re-
payments to Associations pursuant to Sec-
tions 85 and 106 of the National Insurance
Act, 1911.

Class I.

5. That a sum not exceeding £12,087 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 1916 for maintain-
ing certain Harbours under the Board of
Trade, and for Grants in Aid of Harbours.

Class VI.

6. That a sum not exceeding £500 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 1916 for Expenditure
in connection with International Exhibitions.

The said Resolutions, being read a second
time, were agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee
Supply of the 5th day of May last several
Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments
Estimates, 1915-16.

Class II.

1. That a sum not exceeding £88,250 be Royal Palaces.
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 1916 for Expenditure
in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in
Aid.

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,650 be Osborne,
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 1916 for Expenditure
in respect of Osborne.

3. That a sum not exceeding £9,400 be Royal Parks
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 1916 for Royal
Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

4. That a sum not exceeding £40,000 be Houses of
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 1916 for Houses of
Parliament Buildings.

5. That a sum not exceeding £28,200 be Miscellaneous
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 1916 for Expenditure
in respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings.

6. That a sum not exceeding £53,800 be Art and
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 1916 for Expenditure
in respect of Arts Buildings in Great Britain.
in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916 for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain.

7. That a sum not exceeding £24,440 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 1916 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

8. That a sum not exceeding £538,800 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 1916 for Public Buildings in Great Britain.

9. That a sum not exceeding £141,800 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 1916 in respect of Insurance and Labour Exchange Buildings, Great Britain.

10. That a sum not exceeding £456,600 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 1916 in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain not provided for on other Votes.

11. That a sum not exceeding £92,500 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were 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. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 10th day of this instant June a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £269,888,662 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. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Montagu 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 sixteen: 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 the Second Reading of the Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill.

Order: That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance (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 Army Act Second Reading of the Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wages 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords].

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

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

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

PRAYERS.

The Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords] was read Bristol the third time and passed, with an Amend- ment.

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 Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords] was Halifax read the third time and passed, with Amend- ments.

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 West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amend- ments.

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 taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 5) 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 Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 3) 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 Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order 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 (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Intoxicating Liquors (Restrictions in Foreign Countries during War.)

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relative to the measures taken in certain Foreign Countries for the restriction of the sale of Intoxicating Liquors since the outbreak of War.

Penal Servitude Acts (Conditional Licence.)

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict under the Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

Copies of Order made by the Council of the Local Authority under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County of the West Riding of Yorkshire (Urban Districts of Sowerby Bridge (two) and Luddendenfoot).

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

Shops Act, 1912.

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

Prisoners of War (Miscellaneous.)

Secretary Sir Edward Greg presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report received from the United States Ambassador at Berlin, dated 8th June 1915, on the conditions at present existing at the Internment Camp at Ruhleben.

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

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consolidated two and a half per cent., annuities, or two and three-quarters per cent., annuities, or two and a half per cent., annuities, or three and a half per cent., war stock and war bonds issued under the War Loan Act, 1914, to take new securities in lieu of those annuities, stock, or bonds, and may create securities for the purpose; and

(b) charge on the Consolidated Fund the principal and interest of any securities so created, and any expenses incurred in respect of any such borrowing or exchange of securities; and

(c) charge on the Consolidated Fund any additional remuneration to the Bank of England and the Bank of Ireland in respect of any sums raised or securities issued either under the War Loan Act, 1914, or in pursuance of this Resolution.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question amended, in L. 11, by leaving out the words "issued under any Act relating to Ways and Means"; and in l. 28, by inserting, after the word "England," the words "and the Bank of Ireland."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Main Question, as amended, put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Treasury may borrow, in such manner as they think fit, on the security of the Consolidated Fund—

(a) any sums required for raising the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen; and

(b) a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty million pounds in addition; and

(c) any sums required for cancelling any securities issued under the War Loan Act, 1914, or any Treasury bills which the Treasury may, for the time being, be authorised to cancel; and

and, in connection therewith, the Treasury may—

(a) arrange for giving an option, subject to such conditions and on such terms as the Treasury determine, to any holders of consolidated two and a half per cent., annuities, or two and three-quarters per cent., annuities, or two and a half per cent., annuities, or three and a half per cent., war stock and war bonds issued under the War Loan Act, 1914, to take new securities in lieu of those annuities, stock, or bonds, and may create securities for the purpose; and

(b) charge on the Consolidated Fund the principal and interest of any securities so created, and any expenses incurred in respect of any such borrowing or exchange of securities; and

(c) charge on the Consolidated Fund any additional remuneration to the Bank of England and the Bank of Ireland in respect of any sums raised or securities issued either under the War Loan Act, 1914, or in pursuance of this Resolution.

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.

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.

Then the House, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, proceeded to take into consideration the said Resolution: and the same, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the War Loan said Resolution: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision for raising money for the present War, and for 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 Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill was, Consolidated according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

The Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill was, Army Act according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement 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 17th day of this instant June;

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 Finance Committee on the Finance (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 Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords] ;

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Gas and Water Provisional Orders (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.

The Land Drainage (Ouse) 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 Local Government (Ireland) 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.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Colonial Majesty's Command, — Copy of Colonial Report, No. 843 (Zanzibar Annual Report for 1914).

Copy of Supplemental Charter to the British South Africa Company, dated 19th March 1915, — Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to Dockyard the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy Ports Regulation Act, 1865, dated 16th June 1915, relating to the Dockyard Ports of Chatham and Sheerness.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Aliens Act, Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statement with regard to the Expulsion of Aliens, Part I. Ninth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspector under the Aliens Act, 1905, for the year 1914, Part II. — Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Robert 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 the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report 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 the money to be provided by Parliament, of any Salaries and Remuneration which may become payable under any Act of the present Session to amend the Enactments relating to Prize Courts — (Mr. Attorney General); —

Mr. Attorney General, 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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Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; 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 to-morrow.

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 Methodist Church in Ireland Bill, with Amendments; 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 Gas and Burgh Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Port of Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension; 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 Irvine and District Water Board (Emergency Powers); 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 Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Port of London Act, 1898, relating to the Election of elected Members of the Port of London Authority; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Port of London Act, 1908, in reference to the Election of elected Members of the Port of London Authority; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Port of London Act, 1908, in reference to the Election of elected Members of the Port of London Authority; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Kilmarnock Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

The Irvine and District Water Board (Emergency Powers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was 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 Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Port of London Authority Bill [Lords] was the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Prize Courts Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the Enactments relating to Prize Courts: 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 Consolidated Fund (No. 3) 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 read the third time to-morrow.

The War Loan Extension 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. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Customs (Exportation Restriction) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Prettyman.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to prohibit exportation to persons other than authorised consignee). Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the word “consignee,” in order to insert the word “person.”—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question, That the word “consignee” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to. Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and 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.

The Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement 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. Hayes Fisher.)

The Maintenance of Live Stock 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. Walter Rea.)
The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 3) 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 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 17th day of this instant June;
Ordered, That the Report be received 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 on the Finance (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 Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Warwick 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 County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), 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 Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), 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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The London County Council (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) 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 Irvine and District Water Board (Emergency Powers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the said Order do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to an Order, dated 21st day of this instant June, for a Return relative to the Colloquium Act, No. 272, 1900.
Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to an Order, dated the 21st day of this instant June, for a Return to an Order, relating to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy 1912, of Order made by the Council of the County of Glamorgan (Parishes of Llangyawd Lower, Newcastle, and Ynyssaerw) under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 71) Warrant, 1915, dated 11th May 1915.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a now Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of York (Keighley Division), in the room of Sir Stanley Owen Buckmaster, Knight, now Baron Buckmaster, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Lord Chancellor of Great Britain.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Sir Edwin Cornwall reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; 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 to-morrow.

Sir Edwin Cornwall reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at 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 Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Tramways Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Sheffield Corporation (Tramways) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the West Gloucestershire Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for furthering the efficient manufacture, transport, and supply of Munitions for the present War, and for purposes incidental thereto: And that Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, Secretary Sir John Simon, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Dr. Addison, and General Ivor Philipps do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker, the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill, having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,
Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself War Loan into a Committee on the War Loan Extension Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill into a Committee on the Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill.

(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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Maintenance Committee on the Maintenance of Live Stock Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Act Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill:

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

The Prize Courts 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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Prize Courts [Salaries and Remuneration].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of money to be provided by Parliament, of any salaries and remuneration which

The Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker, the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill, having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,
Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself War Loan into a Committee on the War Loan Extension Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill into a Committee on the Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill.

(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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Maintenance Committee on the Maintenance of Live Stock Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Act Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill:

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

The Prize Courts 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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Prize Courts [Salaries and Remuneration].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of money to be provided by Parliament, of any salaries and remuneration which
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Irvine and District Water Board (Emergency Powers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom for the year ended 31st March 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 22nd June 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Durham and Darlington Insurance Committees) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 22nd June 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Combination of Insurance Committees) Regulations, 1915.

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

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the additional number of Officers and Men required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1916.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts 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 1915.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the applications to, and proceedings of, the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, during the past year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909 (Proceedings), be printed.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Orders of Copies under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:
—County of Cornwall (Village of Troom).
—County of Glamorgan (Parishes of Pyle and Tythegston Higher).
—Urban District of Tottenham (Tottenham (remainder) area).

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in India 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 31st March 1915, 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.

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during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the closing 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; 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, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage (Raveningham) Provisional Order Bill; 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 upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Royal Assent. 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 having 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 Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

2. Customs (Exportation Restriction) Act, 1915.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £234,791 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Walter Rea),—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.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ammanford Urban District Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 12, by leaving out the words "lawn tennis courts, croquet lawns, bowling greens, and grounds for cricket, hockey, football, and other games and recreations."—(Mr. Ros- linson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "bowling," in l. 12, stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 26, by leaving out the words "courts, lawns, greens, and grounds."—(Mr. Brunner.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "courts, lawns," 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 Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time:—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means, 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.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then seventeen minutes after Nine of the clock, till Monday next.
Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders made under the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks (Temporary Ruins, 1915, made under the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Acts, 1914) and Trade Marks Acts, 1914.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Annual Report of the General Board of Control for Scotland under the Mental Deficiency and Lunacy Act, 1913.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence (Mined with the United States Ambassador respecting Interned Civilians in Germany.

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

Mr. Long presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the number of Paupers relieved on the 1st day of July 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 4th day of May last, for a Return relative to Crown Colonies, &c. (Death Sentences).

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Moots of Second Reading of the Munitions of War 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 ;

Sir Arthur Markham rose in his place and claimed, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and Sir Arthur Markham declined then to put the Question.—Then the Assent. House resumed the Debate.

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Walter Rost.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Munitions of War [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 remuneration and expenses which may become payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make provision for furthering the efficient manufacture, transport, and supply of Munitions for the present War.—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Lloyd George), —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 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 Committee of Supply:

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

War Loan Extension Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the War Loan Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Prize Courts [Salaries and Remuneration.]

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Prize Courts [Salaries and Remuneration]:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Prize Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prize Courts Bill:

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

Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill:

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

Maintenance of Live Stock Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Maintenance of Live Stock Bill:

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

Finance (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance (No. 2) Bill:

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

Supply (17th June) Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant June:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]:

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Return relating to Imperial Revenue and Expenditure for the year ending the 31st day of December 1914; and the Metropolitan District Railway Company, or any of them, to make agreements with each other and with the London General Omnibus Company, Limited, for the purpose of establishing a common fund; the application of such fund, and for other purposes.

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

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee on Railway Bills on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Montagu, Dr. Macauley, Mr. Foster, and Mr. Hayes Fisher, presented a Bill to make better provision as to the Pensions, Grants, and Allowances made in respect of the present War to officers and men in the Naval and Military Service of His Majesty and their dependants, and the care of officers and men disabled in consequence of the present War, and for purposes connected therewith; 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 for the compilation of a National Register—

(Mr. Long): And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who puts the Question (pursuant to Standing Order No. 11.)

Ordered, That Mr. Long, Mr. McKinnon Wood, Mr. Birrell, and Mr. Hayes Fisher do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 2) Bill. (In the Committee.)

A Clause (Extension of relief from income tax in favour of savings banks, 57 & 58 Vict. c. 30)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Relaxation of duty in the case of spirits used in hospitals)—(Mr. Bridge man)—brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause (Repayment of interest on bankers' loans)—(Mr. Peto)—brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause (Exemption of motor ambulances in respect of duty on motor spirit)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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Another Clause (Relief from income tax in respect of interest on bankers' loans)—(Mr. Peto)—brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause (Relief for sailors and soldiers on the active list)—(Mr. Pollock)—brought up, and read the first time.
The War Loan Extension Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's Table, and desire their concurrence (the Bill Certificate having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,

Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Munitions of War.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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 Prize Courts (Salaries and Remuneration);

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Munitions of War Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Act Committee on the Army Act Amendment Bill (No. 3),

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 Maintenance of Live Stock Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to make orders for the maintenance of stock).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, after the word "animals," to insert the words "except male lambs of pure breeds and all cross-bred lambs."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "such," to insert the word "immature."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That the word "immature" be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "such," to insert the words "immature or pregnant."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clause 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 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 desire their concurrence.

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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

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 any expenses and allowances incurred under any Act of the present Session for the compilation of a National Register—(Mr. Walter Ratu);

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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, National to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of money provided by Parliament, of any expenses and allowances incurred under any Act of the present Session for the compilation of a National Register—(Mr. Walter Ratu);

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Prescot Gas Bill [Lords] as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Spennymoor and Tindhoe Gas Bill [Lords] as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That in the case of many's Divorce now's Bill [Lords] Standing Order 204 be suspended, Divorce and the time for the Second Reading of the Bill be extended to Wednesday the 7th day of July next.—(The Deputy Chairman.)
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Post Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords],

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Kilmainnock Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered (under Sections 9 and 16 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:


Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict under the Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from being a Convict. Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

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


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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of all Deposits received and paid during the year 1914, together with a Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities under 'the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed pursuant to the directions of Sections 9 and 16 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 844 (Turk's and Caicos Islands, Annual Report for 1914), 845 (Weihaiwei, Annual Report for 1914), and 846 (Seychelles, Annual Report for 1914).

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Post Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords],

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

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Astronomer Observatory. Royal to the Board of Visitors of the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, 1915.

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

John Lymbrick Esmonde, Esquire, Member New Member for the County of Tipperary (North Tipperary sworn. Division), was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) 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 Order (No. 7) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Conway Fisheries Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sea Fisheries (Cardigan Bay) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sea Fisheries (Pooe) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Chelmsford Corporation Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Tramways Provisional Orders Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments in the Altrincham Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments in the Warwick Gas Bill made by this House to the Warwick Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords communicate that they have some Indictments to the following Resolution, viz., That it is expedient that the Indictments Bill [Lords] be referred to the Joint Committee appointed to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tramways Provisional Orders Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Trustees to borrow money for the purpose of exercising any option to convert Securities given under the War Loan Act, 1915, to holders of that Loan, and to indemnify Trustees for any loss in respect of any such borrowing or any transaction in relation to the Loan; and to authorise the investment of moneys subject to any trust in any Securities created under that Act: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Sir John Simon, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to enable Trustees to borrow money for the purpose of exercising any option to convert Securities given under the War Loan Act, 1915, to holders of that Loan, and to indemnify Trustees for any loss in respect of any such borrowing or any transaction in relation to the Loan; and to authorise the investment of moneys subject to any trust in any Securities created under that Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

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. Walter Rea.)

The Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. 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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. [Salaries].

In the Committee.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of salaries and remuneration which may become payable under any Act of the present Session to amend the Enactments relating to Prize Courts.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on Prize Courts [Salaries and Remuneration] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any salaries and remuneration which may become payable under any Act of the present Session to amend the Enactments relating to Prize Courts.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Prize Courts Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 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 Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 9 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Second Reading of the National Registration Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the National Committee on National Registration [Ex. Pensions] ;

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

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on Munitions of War [Expenses] a Resolution of War Expenses, which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any remuneration and expenses which may become payable under any Act of the present Session to amend the Enactments relating to Munitions of War.
payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to make provision for furthering the efficient manufacture, transport, and supply of Munitions for the present War.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Orders 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 Kilmarnock Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

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 Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, that they are of opinion that the Provisional Orders be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the several Orders.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Revenue and Expenditure of March 1915, (1) the amount contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, of the Revenue collected by the Imperial officers; (2) the Expenditure on English, Scottish, and Irish Services met out of such Revenue; and (3) the balance of Revenue contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, which is available for Imperial Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 387 of Session 1914).—(Mr. John O'Connor.)

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Local Government Provisional Order Committee that they had considered the Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; 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 Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; 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 Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman reported the Sutton District Water Bill [Lords], with an Amendment.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported from the London County Council (Money) 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.

The Deputy Chairman reported the Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

The Deputy Chairman reported the Northwich Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Sir Luke White reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edwin Cornwell reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at 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 Milk and Dairies Acts Postponement Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Sunderland Corporation (Wearmouth Bridge) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Mr. Long, supported by Mr. McKinnon Wood, Mr. Birrell, and Mr. Hayes Fisher, presented a Bill to extend the Notification of Births Act, 1907, to areas in which it has not been adopted, and to make further provision in connection therewith for the care of mothers and young children: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the Munitions of War Bill and the War Loan (Trustees) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That the House do sit to-morrow, at Five of the clock, and that the proceedings be not interrupted at half an hour after Five of the clock, and that Mr. Speaker, as soon as he has reported the Royal Assent to the Bill which have been agreed on by both Houses, do adjourn the House without Question put.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Munitions of War Bill.

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Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, after the word "difference," to insert the words "whether existing or apprehended."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, to leave out the second word "or."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the second word "or" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the word "articles," to insert the words "of a similar character."—(Mr. George Terrell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 17, to leave out from the word "work" to the end of l. 25.—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "of," in l. 19, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, to leave out the words "of any description," in order to insert the words "which may affect the output of munitions."—(Mr. Snowden.)

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. 20, to leave out from the word "difference" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "by Resolution of the House of Commons."—(Mr. Ramsay Macdonald.)

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. 23, after the words last added, to add the words "Where this Part of this Act is applied to any work, the conditions of labour and the remuneration thereof prevailing before the difference shall be continued until the said difference is settled in accordance with the provisions of Schedule I. of this Act."—(Mr. Hodge.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Controlled establishments).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out from the beginning to the word "is," in l. 34, in order to insert the words "The Minister of Munitions may, if he considers it expedient in the national interest to do so, make an order declaring any establishment in which munitions work is carried on."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "limitations," in l. 31, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, to leave out the words "limitation of employers' profits and."—(Mr. George Terrell.)

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. 26, to leave out the word "controlled."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word "controlled" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 39, at the end, to insert the words "and if the owner of any establishment shall wilfully fail so to pay any such excess, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour under this Act."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 1, to leave out from the word "change," in order to insert the word "reduction."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question, That the word "change" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that no change shall be approved which increases the recognised working hours before the establishment became a controlled establishment, unless the additional hours are paid for at overtime rates."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words "Provided further that in considering any application for an advance of rates or wages the tribunal shall take into account any increase in the prices of necessaries which may have taken place since the beginning of the war, or since the previous advance of wages or rates was made."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Clynes, ]

Yeas, [Mr. Thomas Richardson: ]

Noes, [Mr. George Roberts: ]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, after the word "shall," to insert the words "by notice in writing effectively published throughout the establishment."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, after the word "custom," to insert the words "or threatens, annoys, insults, or molests any other person on account of the non-compliance of any person therewith."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 34, at the end, to insert the words "and any employer failing to carry out such undertaking in any particular shall be guilty of an offence under this Act.

If any question arises whether this undertaking has been carried out, that question shall be referred to the Board of Trade, and the Board of Trade shall refer the question for settlement in accordance with the provision contained in the First Schedule to this Act. The decision of the arbitration tribunal shall be conclusive for all purposes."—(Mr. Anderson.)
in order to insert the words "passing of this Act."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words "In arriving at the net profits the value of any new buildings erected or plant put down for the purpose of this Act shall be taken on the following bases:—

(a) If the new buildings and plant are required for the ordinary business of the controlled establishment, then on the valuation as a going concern;

(b) In the case where the controlled establishment does not require such buildings and plant, then at the estimated value of a sale by auction."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 31, after the word "profit," to insert the words "or losses."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 21, after the word "passing of this Act," to insert the words " engaged in munition work."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 31, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that any workman who applies for a situation without informing the person or firm to whom he is applying that his last previous employment has been on or in connection with munitions work shall commit an offence under this Act."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 37, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) Where a munitions tribunal grant a certificate under the last foregoing subsection they may also direct the employer to pay to the workman such sum as compensation as they may think just, and the sum so ordered to be paid shall be a civil debt recoverable summarily."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 37, at the end, to add the words—

"(3) Any person who is employing any workman in or about a controlled establishment on munitions work shall not discharge or suspend any such workman without the previous assent of the Minister of Munitions."—(Mr. Hodge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Regulations as to badges).
Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 1, after the word "any," to insert the words "work done for the Army or Navy or in any."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived. Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Application of Part II. to docks used by Admiralty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 12, after the word "work," to insert the words "experiment or research."—(Mr. Edgar Jones.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 10 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Power to require information from employers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 41, after the word "Act," to insert the word "knowingly."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the word "knowingly" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 14 (Penalties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 6, after the word "person," to insert the words "who is a civilian other than a permanent civil servant."—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 36, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "for a first offence."—(Mr. George Terrell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 39, after the word "fit," to insert the words "providing that no larger sum than five shillings may be deducted from any one week's wages."—(Mr. Jowett.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Clauses No. 16 and No. 17 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Regulations as to badges)—(Mr. Lloyd George)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Rules to be laid before Parliament)—(Mr. Lloyd George)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Transfer of powers)—(Sir Henry Dolphix)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

Friday, 2nd July 1915:

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chaplin),—put, and negatived.
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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National 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 National Registration 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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c.; Bill;

Resolved, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance (No. 2) 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 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of June last;

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, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

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

Ordered, That so much of the Message from the Lords by the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Munitions of War Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Gulland.)

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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty's Command, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 to 1908. No. 287.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented,—Return Prosecution of to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 29th of June last, for a Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 to 1908.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Munitions of Munitions of War Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Munitions of Lords to the Munitions of War Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Gulland.)

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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the War Loan War Loan Extension Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Army Act Army Act Extension Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Prize Courts Prize Courts Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Loan War Loan (Trustees) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Education Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords.], intitled An Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Bill [Lords.], to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1911, to enable the London County Council to put in force the Lands Clause Acts; 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.

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Royal Assent.

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 having 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. War Loan Act, 1915.
4. Army Act Amendment (No. 3) Act, 1915.
8. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1915.
9. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1915.
10. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1915.
11. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1915.
12. Conway Fisheries Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
15. Tramways Orders Confirmation Act, 1915.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 1st day of this instant July, adjourned the House without Question put, it being then seven minutes before Six of the clock, till Monday next.

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 Skegness Urban 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 Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board 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 Prescot 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 this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Spennymoor and Tudhoe 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 this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London Electric Railway Companies' Facilities Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 233 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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Massy's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Port of London Authority Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords], 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 taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill, as amended, be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "recommitted to the Local Legislation Committee"—(The Chairman of Ways and Means)—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 those words be there added—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put—

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be recommitted to the Local Legislation Committee.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to divide the Bill into two Bills dealing with the provisions relating to Celluloid and Cinematograph Films, and the remaining provisions of the Bill, respectively, and to report the Bills, without Amendment, except so far as is consequent upon the division of the Bill, to the House.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee have leave to sit and proceed to-morrow.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Local Government (Ireland) 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 Marriage 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.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be recommitted to the Local Legislation Committee.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to divide the Bill into two Bills dealing with the provisions relating to Celluloid and Cinematograph Films, and the remaining provisions of the Bill, respectively, and to report the Bills, without Amendment, except so far as is consequent upon the division of the Bill, to the House.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee have leave to sit and proceed to-morrow.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Kilmarnock Gas 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 the Bill is now read a second time.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-eighth Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery, 1914-15.

Copy of Fifty-ninth Report of His Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners, with Appendices.

Mr. Montagu also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of February last, for a Return relative to the British Museum.

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

Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Ryde.

Urban District of Bedwelley (five).

Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict under Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Army Command,—Copy of Statement of proposed Expenditure out of the Vote of Credit on New Works, &c. of a permanent character amounting to £2,000 and upwards, for the year ending 31st March 1916.

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

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords Divorce Bills, 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 Massy's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Massy's Select Committee on Divorce Bills that they do hear Counsel and examine Witnesses for Massy'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.—(The Lord Advocate.)

Sir Edwin Cornwall reported from the Com. Private Bills Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Ashington Urban District Council Bill [Lords] had stated that the evidence of William Cash 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 Cash do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That William Cash do attend the Committee on Group B of Private Bills to-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Second Reading of the National Registration 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 this Bill until proof has been adduced that the powers already possessed by the Government, amplified by the Munitions of War Act, are insufficient for the production of the necessary munitions of war"—(Sir Thomas Whittaker)—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:

Mr. Richard Lambert moved, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Speaker, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the Debate.
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. Gallaud, 
Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot: 259,

Tellers for the Mr. Hooper,

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main 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 Lord Edmund Talbot, 
Yeas, Mr. Gallaud: 259,

Tellers for the Sir Thomas Whittaker,
Noes, Mr. Holt: 30.

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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Registration [Expenses.]

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred and allowances payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to provide for the compilation of a National Register.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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 Notification of Births (Extension) 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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. [Salaries];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance into consideration the Finance (No. 2) 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 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 17th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ruled the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 76.]

Tuesday, 6th July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Money) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders 223 and 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 desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
Ordered, That in the case of the Port of
London Authority Bill [Lords] Standing
Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee on unopposed Bills have leave to consider the said Bill upon Thursday next.
—(The Deputy Chairman.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Army
(Ordnance Factories), which was presented upon
the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by
His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further
Correspondence respecting Contract Labour in
Portuguese West Africa.

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

Mr. Balfour presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of further
Correspondence respecting Contract Labour in
Portuguese West Africa.

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

Naval Prize
Money.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee
on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c.

[Salaries] a Resolution; which was read, as
followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment,
out of moneys provided by Parliament, of salaries
and separation allowances for Naval and Military
officers and men in the Naval and Military
Service of His Majesty and their dependants.

The said Resolution, being read a second time,
was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself
into a Committee on the Naval and Military
Wages, &c. Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of Statutory
Committee of Royal Patriotic Fund Corpora-
tion).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5 to 6, to leave
out the words " and allowances.
—(Sir Charles Nicholson.)

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. 6,
after the word " allowances," to insert the
words " other than separation allowances."
—(Sir Charles Nicholson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there
inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10,
after the word " constituted," to insert the
words " under the direction of the Local
Government Board."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted,
pent, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11,
to leave out from the word " Committee " to the
word " consisting," in l. 12.—(Mr. Pratt.)

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. 12,
to leave out the word " twenty-six."
in order
to insert the word " twenty-eight."—(Colonel
Fate.)
Clause No. 2 (Establishment of local committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, after the word "duties," to insert the words "the county boroughs and district councils having pensions committees under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, shall be invited to allow such pensions committees, and such pensions committees shall be invited to allow such pensions committees, and such pensions committees shall be invited to consent, to serve as local committees for the purpose of this Act; failing such allowance and consent."—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, to leave out the words "county and county."—(Mr. George Thorne.)

Question proposed, That the word "county" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 18, to leave out the words "at least two women among," in order to insert the words "as many women as will constitute at least one-fourth of the total number of."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That the words "at least" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 18, after the word "women," to insert the words "and two men representative of working-class industrial organisations."—(Mr. Hodge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, at the end, to insert the words "(d) for the inclusion of adequate representation of the local branch of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association."—(Sir Charles Nicholson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, to leave out from the word "thousand" to the word "shall," in l. 26.—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, to leave out the words "subsection (4)."—(Mr. Williams.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after the word "duties," to insert the words "the county boroughs and district councils having pensions committees under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, shall be invited to allow such pensions committees, and such pensions committees shall be invited to consent, to serve as local committees for the purpose of this Act; failing such allowance and consent."—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 31, to leave out from the word "committee" to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words "approved by the Statutory Committee shall be paid by the Statutory Committee."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Functions of Statutory Committee).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words "to decide by way of appeal from the Admiralty or War Office whether any officer, sailor, marine, or soldier, widow, child, or dependant is entitled to any and what pension, grant, or separation allowance under the warrant, order, or regulation made by the Admiralty or War Office to give effect to the report of the pensions committee."—(Mr. Hoehler.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words "among other relevant matters."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 4, to leave out from the word "decide" to the word "the," in l. 5, in order to insert the words "in accordance with scales and regulations approved by Parliament."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words "any question of fact" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 4, after the word "fact," to insert the words "referred to them by the local committee."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 8, after the word "grants," to insert the words "including grants in aid of education, training, and emigration, provided such emigration be to one of His Majesty's dominions overseas."—(Sir Clement Kinloch-Cooke.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 9, to leave out the word "exceptional."—(Mr. Anstrin Williams.)

Question, That the word "exceptional" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 21, to leave out paragraph (g).—(Mr. Hoehler.)

Question, That paragraph (g) stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 25, after the word "decide," to insert the words "as application from the local committee."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 39, after the word "service," to insert the words "and the widows and children and dependants of deceased officers and men."—(Mr. Dickinson.)
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Northwich Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, presented, by His Majesty's Command, - Copy of Regulations under which Grants to Schools in England and Wales will be made by the Board of Education.

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

Mr. Bancroft, 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 1914-15.

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

Sir Edwin Cornwell reported the South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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 their Lordships.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Eastern Valleys (Monmouthshire) Joint Sewerage Board Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Prescot Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Spennymoor and Tadcaster Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 further considered.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, after the word "health," to insert the word "housing."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question again proposed, That the word "housing" be there inserted:

Question, That the word "housing" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, at the end, to insert the words "and for other purposes which, in the opinion of the Statutory Committee, may conduce to the attainment of such objects."—(Mr. Roch.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 11, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That subsection (5) stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, after the word "proceedings," to insert the words "to both Houses of Parliament."—(Mr. Hogge.)

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Registration Bill:

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 Finance (No. 2) 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 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 17th day of June last:

Ordered, That the Report be received 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 Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put, and negatived.

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

[No. 77.]

Wednesday, 7th July 1915.

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 Chelmsford Corporation 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 Lurgan 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.

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 18, at the end, to add the words—

"(3) For the purpose of enabling the Statutory Committee to discharge their functions, the Admiralty, the War Office, and any body of persons administering trusts, whether public or private, for the benefit of officers, sailors, marines, and their widows, children, or dependants, shall, on request, supply the Statutory Committee with such particulars as they may require with regard to any payments made by them to any officer, sailor, marine, soldier, widow, child, or dependant; and no supplementary grant shall be made until such particulars have been obtained."—(Sir Charles Nicholson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Functions of local committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 20, to leave out the words "any case referred to them by," in order to insert the words "all local cases for."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words "(To report to the War Office and the Admiralty any claim made by a person entitled to separation allowance, dependant's allowance, or motherless children's allowance, and also in cases where payment is delayed.)"—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words "(and to hear and determine appeals by any person claiming a separation allowance against the decision of the local pensions officer, and such officer shall be under obligation to attend the hearing of such appeal.)"—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words "(and to appoint some person whose duty it shall be to assist applicants for such supplementary grants.)"—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 30, to leave out paragraph (d).—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 36, to leave out paragraph (e).—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Provisions to Corporation).

Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 13, to leave out the word after the word "Corporation," in order to insert the words "and at least one-third of the members so co-opted shall be women."—(Mr. Wing.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "men," in l. 15, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 15, after the word "men," to insert the words "representative of industrial organisations."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 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; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Registration [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred and allowances payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to provide for the compilation of a National Register:

Amendment again proposed, at the end of the Question to add the words "Provided that the expenses for the year 1915-16 shall not exceed a sum of £50,000 for England and Wales, and of £25,000 for Scotland, and of £12,000 for Ireland."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment again proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out "£25,000," in order to insert "£10,000."

Question again proposed, That "£25,000" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Main Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred and allowances payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to provide for the compilation of a National Register:

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 to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Registration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Register of persons between the ages of fifteen and sixty-five).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "A," to insert the word "voluntary."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That the word "voluntary" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the word "register," in order to insert the word "census."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That the word "register" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 5, after the word "all," to insert the word "male."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question, That the word "male" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out from the word "persons" to the word "not," in l. 6, in order to insert the words "in the case of males between the ages of fifteen and forty-five, and in the case of females between the ages of fifteen and forty-five."—(Sir Leo Chiozza Money.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "fifteen," in order to insert the words "names and ages."—(Mr. Ronald McNeil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, after the word "dependants," to insert the words "number and names of servants, male and female, respectively, and their occupations."—(Mr. Jowett.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "or," in l. 11, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, to leave out the words "and willing."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 postponed.

Clause No. 10 (Right to use schools).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

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 the Notification of Births of Births (Extension) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance into consideration the Finance (No. 2) 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 Ways and Means Bill;

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

for any of such persons as aforesaid residing in his house."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 3, to leave out from the word "age" to the word "profession," in l. 6.—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "of," in p. 2, l. 4, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, after the word "number," to insert the words "names and ages."—(Mr. Ronald McNeil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, after the word "dependants," to insert the words "number and names of servants, male and female, respectively, and their occupations."—(Mr. Jowett.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "or," in l. 11, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, to leave out the words "and willing."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 postponed.

Clause No. 10 (Right to use schools).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.
Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Glasgow Corporation (Parks, Harbour Tunnel, Gas, &c.) Orders Confirmation Bill.

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 West Ham, and the Urban District of Leyton, of Ely, and Montgomery, the County Borough of West Ham, and the Urban District of Leyton, to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Chairmen of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, that they had considered the Orders therein contained, and that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bills 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 upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Secretary for Scotland on War Organisation in Trades in Scotland, was received.

Griffith Carnegie Rees, Esquire, Member for the County of Carnarvon (Northern or Arfon Division), was sworn.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Orders had been brought from the Lords by the Lords. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of June last:

Order, That the Report be received 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 Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) 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 (Joint Committee);

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House to join with a Committee of the Lords on Consolidation Bills have leave to sit notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 78.]

Thursday, 8th July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Rotherham 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 in the case of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended) Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill, as amended in the Committee, into consideration.

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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

GRANT.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Secretary for Scotland on War Organisation in the Distributing Trades in Scotland, was received.

Griffith Carnegie Rees, Esquire, Member for the County of Carnarvon (Northern or Arfon Division), was sworn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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 17th day of June last;—(Mr. Gallond.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill (suspended) Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill, as amended in the Committee, into consideration.

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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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 West Ham, and the Urban District of Leyton, of Ely, and Montgomery, the County Borough of West Ham, and the Urban District of Leyton, 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 certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Education under the Education Acts, 1870 to 1911, to enable the Councils of the Administrative Counties of Derby, the Island of Ely, and Montgomery, the County Borough of West Ham, and the Urban District of Leyton, 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 under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Irvine and District Water Board (Lothersdale) Bill [Lords]; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Derbyshire, &c.) 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 Irvine and District Water Board 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 upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Private Bills (Group B.)

Sir Edwin Cornwall reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House (Supply.)

Ordered, That the other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

Business of the House (National Registration Bill.)

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the National Registration Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on National Registration [Expenses] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred and allowances payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to provide for the compilation of a National Register.

The said Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 4, by adding at the end thereof the words "Provided that the expenses for the year 1915-16 shall not exceed a sum of £100,000 for England and Wales, and of £200,000 for Scotland, and of £10,000 for Ireland."—(Mr. Clough.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added.—It passed in the Negative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Registration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 10.

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Clause, put, and negatived.

Clause No. 11.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 21, after the word "institution," to insert the words "except vagrants in the casual ward, a register of whom must be prepared by the workhouse master after consulting the vagrants."—(Sir John Spear.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 12.

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 33, after the word "Act," to insert the words "whether paid or unpaid."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that no person shall be liable to a penalty under this section unless seven days' notice of the offence in writing shall have been given to him by the local registration authority of the district in which he has been registered or in which he resides, and he has failed within that time to comply with such notice."—(Mr. Richard Lambert.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 13.

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 6, after the word "authorities," to insert the words "and the county or burgh assessors."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 8, after the word "prescribed," to insert the words "by the Secretary for Scotland."—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 12, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 14.

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 23, at the beginning, to insert the words "In the application of,"—(Mr. Ronald M'Neil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 9 agreed to.

A Clause (Duty of employers to furnish information)—(Mr. Long)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Application of 52 & 53 Vict. c. 52)—(Mr. M'Cordy)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Registration in one area only)—(Mr. King)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Bill, as amended, to be read a second time.

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.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Notification of Births (Extension) 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. Walter Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. 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 taking into consideration the Finance (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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 17th day of June last,

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 the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn;

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

[No. 79.]

Monday, 12th July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Aberdare Urban District Council (Tramways, &c.) 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.

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Supply of Public Services in India (Royal Commission.)

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Report of the Royal Commission on Public Services in India, Volume XIX. Minutes of Evidence relating to the Railway Department, taken at Delhi, Calcutta, and London, with Appendices.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders as to Disability Pensions for Soldiers.

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

Trustee Savings Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, for the year ending the 20th day of November 1914, (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 Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, excluding the surplus fund; the balance in the hands of the treasurer; the total amount of the separate surplus fund in the hands of the Commissioners; the other assets, including the estimated value of the Bank premises, furniture, &c.; the total assets; the rate of interest paid to depositors on the various amounts of deposit, and the average rate of interest on all accounts; the annual expenses of management, inclusive of all payments and salaries; 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. 347 of Session 1914).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

(The Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

Class VII.

1. £598,275, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee (including sundry Grants in Aid).

2. £3,300,356, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (England), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

3. £177,553, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Wales), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

4. £419,027, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Scotland), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

5. £228,090, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Ireland), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

6. £57,700, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Audit Staff under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

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 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 receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [17th June] 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 Notification Committee on the Notification of Births (Extension) Bill;

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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. 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 Finance into consideration the Finance (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Tuesday, 13th July 1915.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Staffordshire Water 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 Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Glasgow Corporation (Parks, Harbour Tunnel, Gas &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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Irvine and District Water Board Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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


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

Mr. Birrell, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-first detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in Ireland, 1914.

Vol. 170.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Local Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Government Areas, Population, and Valuation of Counties, Burghs, and Parishes in Scotland.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 5th July 1915, granting a life annuity to Edward Churchill Killeen, Sub-Postmaster, Clara, Athlone, Post Office.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts reported from the Select Consolidation Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation Bills; That in the case of the Indictments Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, the Committee had considered the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. Charles Roberts reported from the Select Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Bill they had agreed to report to the House; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Charles Roberts further reported from the Special Committee; That in the case of the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Bill they had agreed to the following Special Report:

The Committee have considered this Bill, and in their opinion it represents simply the present Law. The Committee have amended the Bill with respect to the date of commencement. This amendment is necessitated by the passing of the Milk and Dairies Acts (Postponement) Act, 1915, which became Law since the introduction of the present Bill, and the Committee have made a consequential amendment in the schedule of repeals.

The Committee think it right to point out that the Bill differs from other Consolidation Bills which they have approved, in that it represents a part only of the Law relating to its subject-matter. They understand, however, that there are difficulties in including the whole of the Law affecting Milk and Dairies in one Bill, and that it is desired that the Law shall be consolidated to this limited extent.

Ordered, That the Report and Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Middelesbrook reported from the Local Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Plymouth Corporation Bill [Lords] they had examined the allegations contained in the Corporate Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the said Bill, with the result that the said Bill is the same, and found the same, as amended, to be complete.
Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House desires to place on record its grateful appreciation of the distinguished skill and ability with which General the Right Honourable Louis Botha planned and conducted the recent military operations in South West Africa, and of the eminent services rendered by him and by General Smuts, and by the officers and the forces of the Union of South Africa under their command. 

(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Runciman, supported by Mr. Prestyman, presented a Bill to provide for the limitation of the price of Coal: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Repayment in certain cases of tax on interest paid to banks)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Power to warehouse certain spirits of wine on drawback for home consumption or for delivery duty-free for use in arts, &c.)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 23, by inserting, after the word "apply," the words "to cases of off-licences and."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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. 23, by inserting at the end thereof the words "except upon the pay of sailors and soldiers serving in the armed forces of the Crown, on which income tax shall be charged at the rates mentioned in section three of the Finance Act, 1914."—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—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. 14, l. 49, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Where blends consist of spirits of different ages the additional duty shall be levied upon the average ages of the spirits included in such blends, and not upon the spirit of the lowest age so included."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Notification of Births (Extension) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Extension of Notification of Births Act, 1907).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the words "as soon as may be," in order to insert the words "within five days."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Arrangements for attending to mothers and young children).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the word "any," in order to insert the word "every."—(Mr. King.)

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 from the word "Act" to the end of l. 8, in order to insert the words "(whether a sanitary authority or not) may, for the purpose of the care of expectant mothers, nursing mothers, and young children, exercise any powers which a sanitary authority has under the Public Health Acts, 1875 to 1907, or the Public Health (London) Act, 1891, as the case requires."

(2) Any expenses incurred in the exercise of these powers.—(Mr. Long.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "make," in l. 3, stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Subsequent words omitted.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, to leave out the words "for the purpose of," in order to insert the words "provides for;"—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, to leave out the words "in such manner as the authority may direct."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) Where the Local Government Board are satisfied that an authority for the purposes of this section are refusing or neglecting to discharge their duties thereunder to the satisfaction of the Board the Board may exercise, in respect of the area of that authority, all or any of the powers of the authority, and may recover from the authority any sums expended by them in relation to such exercise.

For the purposes of any inquiry into any supposed refusal or neglect, as aforesaid, the Board may apply by Order any enactments relating to the holding of public inquiries, and the enactments as so applied shall extend accordingly."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

 Clause No. 3 (Application to Scotland and Ireland).
Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after "(1)," to insert the words "Any metropolitan borough council may make such arrangements as they think fit, and as may be sanctioned by the Local Government Board, for attending to the health of expectant mothers and nursing mothers, and of children under five years of age who are not being educated in public elementary schools."

—(Mr. Dickinson.) Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, at the end, to insert the words—

"(b) The following subsection shall be substituted for subsection (1) of section two—

(1) Any local authority within the meaning of the principal Act may make such arrangements as they think fit, and as may be sanctioned by the Local Government Board for Scotland, for attending to the health of expectant mothers and nursing mothers, and of children under five years of age within the meaning of section seven of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908."

—(The Lord Advocate.) Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 4, after the word "may," to insert the words "provide such buildings and may."—(Mr. Watt.) Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment: Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Proposed words there inserted. Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 4 amended, and 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 be now read the third time and passed. Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Readings of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) 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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill.

Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy and Army Departments, which were presented upon the 2nd day of February last, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Gulland.) Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

And the Question being put, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Recommendation made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under Section 80 of the Children Act, 1908, as to the Parliamentary Grant to certified Day Industrial Schools.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-third Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, 1914.

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

Mr. Rowaninan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Examinations for Certificates of Competency in the Mercantile Marine and the Sea-Fishing Service for the year 1914.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of a Committee appointed to examine the issues arising out of the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons on Post Office Servants.

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

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. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords was received by the House of Commons on the 17th days of May last, the 9th, 17th, and 23rd days of June last, and the 6th day of this instant July, 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. Montagu presented a Bill to continue Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, No. 121.

Mr. Montagu presented a Bill to amend the Public Works Loan Bill, for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes Bill 122, and to be printed.

Mr. Montagu presented a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes Bill 123, and to be printed.

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Execution. of Trusts (War Facilities) Bill 124, ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments of the Government of India Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate Enactments relating to the Government of India ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Game (Scotland) Act, 1772, with respect to Muir Fowl; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Government of India Bill [Lords] was Government of India Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Sir William Bull reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions ; That they had passed a Bill, for the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes Bill 124.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments of the Government of India Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Public Works Loan Bill, for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes Bill 124, and to be printed.

Ordered, That, for the purpose of concluding Business of the Business of Supply for the present Session, the House do on the 17th day of July be reconvened, and proceed to conclude Business of Supply for the present Session, and to take into consideration the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by leaving out from the word " dependants " to the word " there," in l. 10.

---(Mr. Goldstone.)
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. 12, by leaving out from the word "Corporation" to the end of l. 14, and inserting the words "A Statutory Committee shall consist of twenty-nine members, who shall be appointed as follows (that is to say)"—(Mr. Dickinson)—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. 2, l. 31, by leaving out the words "as they think fit."—(Mr. King.)

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. 2, l. 36, by inserting, after the word "that," "(a)."—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That "(a)" 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. 28, by leaving out from the word "thousand" to the word "shall," in l. 30.—(Mr. Dickinson.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 33, by leaving out the words "may, but."—(Mr. King.)

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. 3, l. 41, by leaving out from the word "barth" to the word "and," in p. 4, l. 2.—(Mr. Watt.)

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. 4, l. 9, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Sir William Aylmer.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "decide," in p. 4, l. 10, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 16, by leaving out from the word "decide" to the word "the," in l. 11, and inserting the words "in accordance with scales and regulations approved by Parliament"—(Mr. Dickinson)—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.

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. 4, l. 16, by leaving out the word "separation."—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That the word "separation" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "disposal," the words "to make advances towards and."—(Mr. Raffan.)

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. 4, by leaving out paragraph (i).—(Mr. Price.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 23, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of Clause 3, and inserting the words "presented to Parliament"—(Mr. Goldstone)—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. 5, by inserting at the end thereof the words—"(g) a local committee, if it appoints any officer, shall consider in each case whether the nature of the duties to be performed makes it desirable that such officer shall be a woman."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance (No. 2) 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 from the word "be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House"—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—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 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 Navy and Army Expenditure, 1913-14.

(In the Committee.)

I. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1914, 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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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Navy Services:

1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Dr. Macnamara.)

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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 tomorrow.
No. 81.] 6 GEO. V. 14th—15th July. 199

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Order Bills Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, brought from the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Derbyshire, &c.) Bill [Lords] Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board 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 South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Board of Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Regulations for Education. Technical Schools, Schools of Art, and other forms of provision of further Education in England and Wales (in force from 1st August 1915). Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, Return to an Order, Public Works dated the 14th day of this instant July, for a Loan Bill. Return relative to the Public Works Loans No. 294. Bill. Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Aircraft Insurance Command,—Copy of Report of the Aircraft Insurance Committee on the Government War Risks Insurance Scheme.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Companies directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Winding-up.) Twenty-Fourth General Annual Report by the No. 295. Board of Trade under Section 283 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Companies (Winding-up) be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5446 and 5448.

[No. 82.]

Thursday, 15th July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) 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 Price of Coal (Limitation) 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 17th 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 12th day of this instant July; 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the National Registration Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Walter Ren.)

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, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 7th July 1915, extending the provisions of Section 8 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, to other Diseases.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations made by the Minister of Munitions under the Munitions of War Act, 1915, with respect to the general ordering of the work in a controlled Establishment.

Copy of Provisional Rules constituting and regulating Munitions Tribunals made under the Munitions of War Act, 1915, by a Secretary of State as far as relates to offences and by the Minister of Munitions as far as relates to other matters.

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 One Hundred and Tenth Report of the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal.

Ordered, That the Paper be printed.

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the remission of certain Debts in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Loans.—(Mr. Walter Rent); 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Massy's Divorce Bill [Lords] as to the marriage of the parties, 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 Proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Massy's Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the Documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords.—(The Lord Advocate.)

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 Maintenance of Live Stock Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Dunfermline Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Dunfermline and District Order Tramways (Extensions) to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Order (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Maintenance of Live Stock Bill [Lords] be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland) Bill Grouse [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That on this day, notwithstanding Business of anything in Standing Order No. 15, Supplementary Estimates for Civil Services and Revenue Departments may be considered in Committee of Supply; and that Business other than Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

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

(The Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1915–16.

Class VI.

1. £446,215, for Superannuation, Compensation, Compassionate, and additional Allowances, and Gratuities under sundry Statutes, for Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

2. £13,384, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses, including certain Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain.

3. £533, for Hospitals and Infirmaries, and certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in Ireland, including sundry Grants in Aid.

4. £15,000, for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions, Committees, and Special Inquiries.

5. £3,387, for making good certain sums written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.

6. £5,000, for the Ireland Development Grant (Grant in Aid).

Class VII.

7. £7,889,000, for the payment of Old Age Pensions in the United Kingdom, and for certain Administrative Expenses in connection therewith.

8. £235,000, for the payment of Grants towards the cost of the extension of Sanatorium Benefit to the dependants of insured persons under the National Insurance Act, 1911, and of the treatment of Tuberculosis generally.
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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 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 1916 for Services to assist in the provision of Laboratory facilities, with a view to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of Disease:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

9. £42,015, for the Expenses of the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Board, and for a Grant in Aid of the Highlands and Islands Medical Service.

10. £14,712, for making good the deficiency on the Income Account of the Fund for Friendly Societies.

Class I.

11. £29,000, for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.

12. £458,000, 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.

13. £100,585, for the erection, repairs, and maintenance of Public Buildings in Ireland, for the maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for the maintenance of Drainage Works on the River Shannon, and sundry Grants in Aid.

14. £40,008, for payments under the Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883, &c., the Railways (Ireland) Act, 1896, the Marine Works (Ireland) Act, 1902, and for other purposes connected with Irish Railways.

Motion made, and Question, That a sum not exceeding £250,000 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 1916 for Works to be carried out for the Approach to the Mall:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £25,000 be granted for the said Service:—(Mr. Leif Jones):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class II.

15. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £23,166 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 1916 for Grants to assist in the provision of Laboratory facilities, with a view to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of Disease:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

16. £44,754, for the Salaries of the Law Officers of the Department; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of His Majesty's Treasury and King's Proctor, and the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions; for the costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.

17. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £23,166 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 1916 for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses, including Grants in Aid of the Expenses of the Incorporated Law Societies of England and Ireland:

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Whereupon, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod having come with a Message to attend the Lords Commissioners, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker,

A Message was delivered by Thomas Dacres Royal Assent. 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 having 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. National Registration Act, 1915.
3. Irvine and District Water Board Order Confirmation Act, 1915.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £23,166 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 1916 for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses, including Grants in Aid of the Expenses of the Incorporated Law Societies of England and Ireland:

Question put, and agreed to.

18. £180,995, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature and Court of Criminal Appeal as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.
19. £24,497, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.
20. £6, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.
21. £68,982, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.
22. £35,508, for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland, including a Grant in relief of certain Expenses payable by statute out of Local Rates.
23. £67,744, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and of certain other Legal Departments in Ireland, as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.
25. £68,685, for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers and of Magistrates in Ireland, and the Expenses of Revision.
26. £40,914, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.
27. £774,267, for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.
28. £68,974, for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in Ireland and of the Establishments under their control, the Registration of Habitual Criminals, and the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics confined in District Lunatic Asylums.
29. £50,916, for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland.
30. £4,542, for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

Class IV.
31. £9,906,378, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid.
32. £54,935, for the Salaries and other Expenses of the British Museum and of the Natural History Museum, including certain Grants in Aid.
33. £5,670, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank.
34. £2,456, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.
35. £4,402, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Wallace Collection.
36. £2,906, for the Salaries and Expenses in respect of the London Museum, Lancaster House.
37. £45,582, for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., and other Grants.
38. £211,200, for Grants in Aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in Great Britain, and of the Expenses under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889.
39. £145,000, for special Grants in Aid of certain Universities, Colleges, Medical Schools, and Agricultural Institutions, to meet loss of Income arising during the War.
40. £825,219, for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, including a Grant in Aid of the Teachers' Pension Fund, Ireland.
41. £40,000, for the Grant towards the Salaries of Teachers in Secondary Schools in Ireland.
42. £500, for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners for managing certain School Endowments in Ireland.
43. £655, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of Ireland.
44. £121,287, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Institutions of Science and Art in Dublin and of the Geological Survey of Ireland, and of the Annual Grants to Schools and Classes of Science and Art and Technical Instruction, including sundry Grants in Aid, administered by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.
45. £56,000, for Grants under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

Class V.
46. £289,917, for the Expenses in connection with His Majesty's Embassies, Missions, and Consular Establishments Abroad, and other Expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote.
47. £516,765, for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.
48. £25,129, for Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies and a Grant in Aid of the Annual Expenses of the Pacific Cable.
49. £1,000, for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of Cyprus.

Class II.
50. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £15,785 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords:

Question put, and agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded to put severally the Questions, That the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in Classes II., IV., VI., and VII. of the Civil Services Estimates, including Supplementary Estimates, and the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in the Estimates for the Navy and the Army, and the Revenue Departments, be granted for the Services defined in those Classes and Estimates.

Class II.
51. That a sum not exceeding £1,710,386 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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35. Chief Secretary for Ireland - 14,156
36. Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction - 84,406
37. Charitable Donations and Requests Office - 1,220
38. Congested Districts Board for Ireland 105,750
39. Local Government Board - 67,269
40. Public Record Office - 51,302
41. Public Works Office - 26,732
42. Registrar General's Office - 7,892
43. Valuation and Boundary Survey - 22,733

£1,710,968

Question put, and agreed to.

Class IV.

52. That a sum not exceeding £25,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:-

7a. Scientific Investigation, &c. - 25,000

£

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

53. That a sum not exceeding £11,776 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:-

Accounting, &c. - 11,776

£

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VII.

54. That a sum not exceeding £50,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:-

13. Expenses under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905 - 50,000

£

Question put, and agreed to.

Navy Estimates, 1915-16.

55. That a sum not exceeding £16,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:-

2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy - 1,000
3. Medical Establishments and Services - 1,000
4. Civilians employed on Fleet Services - 1,000
5. Educational Services - 1,000
6. Scientific Services - 1,000
7. Royal Naval Reserve - 1,000
8. Sec. 1. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.-Personnel - 1,000
9. Sec. 2. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.-Material - 1,000

£

Question put, and agreed to.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.

56. That a sum not exceeding £15,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:-

2. Medical Establishment : Pay, &c. - 1,000
3. Special Reserve - 1,000
4. Territorial Forces - 1,000
5. Establishments for Military Education and Non-effective Charges for Officers - 1,000
6. Quarters, Transport, and Remounts - 1,000
7. Supplies and Clothing - 1,000
8. Ordnance Department Establishments and General Stores - 1,000
9. Armaments, Aviation, and Engineer Stores - 1,000
10. Works and Buildings - 1,000
11. Miscellaneous Effective Services - 1,000
12. War Office - 1,000
13. Half Pay, Retired Pay, and other Non-effective Charges for Men, &c. - 1,000
14. Pensions and other Non-effective Charges for Men, &c. - 1,000
15. Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities - 1,000

£15,000

Question put, and agreed to.

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 Government of India Bill [Lords] was, Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, Resolved, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.

—(Mr. Walter Rea.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs) 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 Frederick Banbury):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Public Works Loans 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. Walter Rea.)

Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) (recommenced) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Price of Coal (Limitation) 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 17th day of June 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 12th day of this instant July; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn; and the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

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The Prime Minister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the sum required to be voted for Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Council of the County Borough of Burnley.
Council of the Borough of Cheltenham.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the Munitions, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of No. 300.

Regulations made by the Minister of Munitions under the Munitions of War Act, 1915, with respect to the general ordering of the work in a controlled Establishment.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House War Charges, a Return showing (1) the estimated amount of War Charges incurred up to the 31st day of March 1915; (2) how these charges have been met; and (3) how the money borrowed has been raised. (Mr. Molteno.)

John Mackintosh Macleod, Esquire, Member New Member for the Burgh of Glasgow (Central Division), sworn. was sworn.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Police to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund and of moneys provided by (Allowances.) Parliament, of Superannuation Allowances to Metropolitan Police Magistrates, the Dublin Divisional Justices, and the Stipendiary Magistrates for Chatham and Sheerness — (Mr. Gulland);—

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

Mr. Charles Roberts 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 1913-14. Fiftieth Number.

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 particulars of cases in which persons had been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarter ended 31st March 1915.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule con-tituting Tramore an additional Centre of Examination for Intermediate Education in Ireland in 1915.

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

Mr. Runaceman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of the cases in which they have exercised their powers under Section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, during the year ended 31st May 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Runciman and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the Trading with the Enemy Acts, 1914: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Petytman, supported by Lord Robert Cecil, presented a Bill to amend the Customs (War Powers) Act, 1915:—And the same was 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 Price of Coal (Limitation) 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."—(Sir Joseph Walton.)

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Walter Res.)

The Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) 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. Walter Res.)

The Government of India 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. Gulland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant July, That the Isle of Man (Customs) 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.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Gulland.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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 Arthur Markham):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission of Debts].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the remission of arrears of principal and interest due to the Public Works Loans Commissioners in respect of Eyemouth Harbour, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Loans.—(Mr. Montagu.)

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 Public Works Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;

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 Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) (recommitted) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 21 agreed to.

Schedules No. 1 to No. 5 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 Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Preamble 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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made at Live Stock Bill.
by the Lords to the Maintenance of Live Stock 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 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant July;

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 17th 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 12th day of this instant July;

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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Ordered, That the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill, as amended on consideration, be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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


Ways and Means.

Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill, as amended on consideration, be printed.

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

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of this House.

Standing Order 196 was read, and amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "and if the House is not sitting on the latest day on which the Bill ought to be laid upon the Table of the House, then the Bill shall be so laid on the first day on which the House again sits."

Standing Order 224a was read, and amended, in I. 11, by inserting, after the word "extended," the words "in respect of (a) and (b)."

And in I. 12, by inserting, after the word "adjournment," the words "in respect of (c)" to the second day upon which the House sits after the adjournment."

Standing Order 225 was read, and amended, in I. 4, by leaving out the words from the first word "List" to the end of I. 5.

And in I. 14, by leaving out the words "5. First Reading."

Standing Order 238 was read, and amended, in I. 2, by leaving out the words "Committee clerk to the."

And in I. 2, by inserting, after the third word "the," the words "Committee and.

Standing Order 248 was read, and amended, in I. 1, by inserting, after the second word "the," the words "Committee and.

And by inserting, after the word "Office," the words "and the clerk to the Examiner, as the case may be."

Ordered, That Standing Orders 230 and 245, Private Bill, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

Ordered, That as regards Private Bills to be returned by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if unopposed) shall be considered forthwith.
Ordered, 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 time as the Chairman of Ways and Means may determine.

Ordered, That when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto a Copy of such Amendments shall be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the House of Lords.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 5449.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to inquire and report as to the conditions necessary for the adequate Lighting of Factories and Workshops. Volume I., Report and Appendices. Volume II., Summary of Evidence, Minutes of Evidence.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 13th July 1915.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Winter Assizes Act, 1876, dated 13th July 1915, respecting Winter Assize Counties, Nos. 1 to 7, for the Winter Assizes, 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 847 (Saint Helena, Annual Report for 1914) and 848 (Fiji, Annual Report for 1914). 848.

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:—Annual Accounts of the Chamberlain of London for the years ending 31st December 1914 and 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

John Dillon Nugent, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Dublin (College Green Division), 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 agreed to the Glasgow Corporation (Parks, Harbour Tunnel, Gas, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London Electric Railway Companies' Facilities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Weardale and Consett Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Dr. Macnamara, supported by Mr. Balfour Naval and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the Naval Discipline Act: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply: (Supplementary Vote of Credit.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(Ordered.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £150,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for general Army and Navy Services in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and Materials, or otherwise for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of war.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(Ordered.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £183,752,254 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

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 tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 and 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 the Third Reading of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., 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 "be" to the end of the Question, and inserting the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, 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.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question and not passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer as Amendments to be moved on recommittal" be there inserted:

—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, 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. 1 amended, and 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 be amended, as recommended, 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 desire their concurrence.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., 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 "be" to the end of the Question, and inserting the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, 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.)

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The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and 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 be amended, as recommended, 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 desire their concurrence.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., 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 "be" to the end of the Question, and inserting the words "recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, 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.)

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—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, ls. 12 and 14, and p. 2, l. 10, 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. 1 amended, and 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 be amended, as recommended, 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 desire their concurrence.

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.
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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 Trading with the Enemy Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—

(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 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.

Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) (Amendment) Bill:

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

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

The Courts (Emergency Powers) 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. Walter Rea.)

The Special Acts (Extension of Time) 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. Walter Rea.)

The Customs (War Powers) (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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of India Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 135 agreed to.

Schedules No. 1 to No. 5 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.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming (Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland)) Bill [Lords], the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant July, That the Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] 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 Price of Coal Committee on the Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill;

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 15th day of this instant July;

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 17th day of June last;

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 July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Welsh Church Second Reading of the Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

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

**Prayers.**

**The House, pursuant to the Order of the Rhondda House of the 20th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &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, pursuant to the Order of the Weardale and House of the 20th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Weardale and

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**Wednesday, 21st July 1915.**

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

**PRAYERS.**
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The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Extensions) Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Cranfield) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Land DRAINAGE (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Devonshire Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Water Board Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Stalybridge, Hyde, Mossley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Ashington Urban District Council Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Wolverhampton Corporation Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Scottish Universities (Emergency Powers) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Scottish Universities (Emergency Orders) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Ordinance (No. 1) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas and Water Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Scottish Universities (Emergency Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to confirm action taken by any Cotton Association for dealing with emergencies due to the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That on this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, the Report of the Supplementary Vote of Credit and of new Services may be considered before Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

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Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant July 1916, and of several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1915-16.

Class VI.

1. That a sum not exceeding £446,215 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 1916 for Superannuation, Compensation, Com pasture, and additional Allowances, and Gratuities under sundry Statutes, for Compassionate Allowances and General Benefits awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

2. That a sum not exceeding £13,584 be Miscellaneous 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 1916 for certain Miscellaneous Expenses, including certain Charitable and other Allowances, Great Britain.

3. That a sum not exceeding £853 be Hospitals 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 1916 for Hospitals and Infirmaries, and certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in Ireland, including sundry Grants in Aid.

4. That a sum not exceeding £15,000 be Temporary 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 1916 for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions, Committees, and Special Inquiries.

5. That a sum not exceeding £3,387 be Local Loans 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 1916 for the Ireland Development Grant (Grant in Aid).

6. That a sum not exceeding £5,000 be Old Age 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 1916 for the payment of Old Age Pensions in the United Kingdom, and for certain Administrative Expenses in connection therewith.

7. That a sum not exceeding £7,889,000 be Old Age 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 1916 for the payment of Old Age Pensions in Ireland.

8. That a sum not exceeding £235,000 be Treatment of 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 1916 for the payment of Grants towards the cost of the extension of Sanatorium Benefit to the dependants of insured persons under the National Insurance Acts, 1911, and of the treatment of Tuberculosis generally.
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<td>9. That a sum not exceeding £42,015 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 1916 for the Expenses of the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Board, and for a Grant in Aid of the Highlands and Islands Medical Service.</td>
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<td>10. That a sum not exceeding £14,712 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 1916 for making good the deficiency on the Income Account of the Fund for Friendly Societies.</td>
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<td>11. That a sum not exceeding £29,000 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 1916 for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.</td>
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<td>12. That a sum not exceeding £456,000 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 1916 for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &amp;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.</td>
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<td>13. That a sum not exceeding £160,585 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 1916 for the erection, repairs, and maintenance of Public Buildings in Ireland, for the maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for the maintenance of Drainage Works on the River Shannon, and sundry Grants in Aid.</td>
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<td>14. That a sum not exceeding £40,008 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 1916 for payments under the Tramways and Public Companies (Ireland) Act, 1883, &amp;c., the Railways (Ireland) Act, 1896, the Marine Works (Ireland) Act, 1902, and for other purposes connected with Irish Railways.</td>
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<td>15. That a sum not exceeding £32,000 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 1916 for a Contribution to the cost of the improvement of the Approach to the Mall.</td>
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<td>16. That a sum not exceeding £44,754 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 1916 for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of His Majesty's Treasury and King's Proctor, and the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions; for the costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.</td>
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<td>17. That a sum not exceeding £23,166 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 1916 for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses, including Grants in Aid of the Expenses of the Incorporated Law Societies of England and Ireland.</td>
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<td>18. That a sum not exceeding £80,995 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 1916 for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature and Court of Criminal Appeal as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.</td>
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<td>19. That a sum not exceeding £24,947 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.</td>
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<td>20. That a sum not exceeding £5 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.</td>
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<td>21. That a sum not exceeding £58,982 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.</td>
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<td>22. That a sum not exceeding £33,308 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 1916 for such of the Miscellaneous Legal Expenses payable out of Local Rates.</td>
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<td>23. That a sum not exceeding £67,744 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of certain other Local Departments in Ireland as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.</td>
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<td>24. That a sum not exceeding £470,320 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Irish Land Commission.</td>
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<td>25. That a sum not exceeding £68,885 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 1916 for such of the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers and of Magistrates in Ireland, and the Expenses of Revision.</td>
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<td>26. That a sum not exceeding £40,914 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 1916 for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.</td>
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<td>27. That a sum not exceeding £74,267 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 1916 for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Metropolitan Police Department as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.</td>
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in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

28. That a sum not exceeding £88,974 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 March 1916 for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in Ireland and of the Establishments under their control, the Registration of Habitual Criminals, and the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics confined in District Lunatic Asylums.

29. That a sum not exceeding £50,516 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 1916 for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland.

30. That a sum not exceeding £4,152 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 1916 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

31. That a sum not exceeding £9,906,378 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid.

32. That a sum not exceeding £84,935 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the British Museum, and of the National History Museum, including certain Grants in Aid.

33. That a sum not exceeding £8,670 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.

34. That a sum not exceeding £2,493 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 1916 for the National Gallery of Ireland.

35. That a sum not exceeding £4,452 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Wallace Collection.

36. That a sum not exceeding £2,965 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the London Museum, Lancaster House.

37. That a sum not exceeding £48,582 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 1916 for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., and other Grants.

38. That a sum not exceeding £211,900 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 1916 for Grants in Aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in Great Britain, and of the Expenses under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1898.

39. That a sum not exceeding £14,500 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 1916 for special Grants in Aid of certain Universities, Colleges, Medical Schools, and Agricultural Institutions, to meet loss of Income arising during the War.

40. That a sum not exceeding £285,919 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 1916 for Grants in Aid of the Teachers' Pension Fund, Ireland.

41. That a sum not exceeding £90,000 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery, and of the National Portrait Gallery in Secondary Schools in Ireland.

42. That a sum not exceeding £500 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of Ireland.

43. That a sum not exceeding £665 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

44. That a sum not exceeding £121,287 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of London.

45. That a sum not exceeding £64,000 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 1916 for Grants in Aid of the Teachers Pension Fund, Ireland.
the 31st day of March 1916 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.

48. That a sum not exceeding £23,129 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 1916 for Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies and a Grant in Aid of the Annual Expenses of the Pacific Cable.

Cyprus (Grant in Aid)

49. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 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 1916 for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of Cyprus.

Class II.

50. That a sum not exceeding £15,785 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords.

51. That a sum not exceeding £1,710,386 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

2. House of Commons - - - - - 219,649
5. Foreign Office - - - - - 38,413
6. Colonial Office - - - - - 37,410
7. Ferry Council Office - - - - - 5,333
12. Charity Commission - - - - - 10,931
13. Government Chemist - - - - - 15,397
14. Civil Service Commission - - - - - 29,373
15. Exchequer and Audit Department - - - - - 40,362
16. Friendly Societies Registry - - - - - 10,036
17. Local Government Board - - - - - 224,791
19. The Mint - - - - - 48
20. National Debt Office - - - - - 7,963
21. Public Record Office - - - - - 14,981
22. Public Works Loan Commission (including a Supplementary sum of £7,200) - 7,211
23. Registrar General’s Office, England - 20,251
24. Stationery and Printing - - - - - 531,657
25. Office of Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues - - - - - 13,346
26a. Privy Seal Office - - - - - 1,000
27. Secret Service - - - - - 70,000

Scotland:

29. Board of Agriculture, Scotland - - - - - 14,553
33. Local Government Board - - - - - 14,630

Ireland:

34. Household of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland - - - - - 9,064
35. Chief Secretary for Ireland - - - - - 14,165
36. Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction - - - - - 84,406
37. Charitable Donations and Bequests Office - - - - - 1,320
38. Congested Districts Board for Ireland - - - - - 105,750
39. Local Government Board - - - - - 67,200
40. Public Record Office - - - - - 4,410
41. Public Works Office - - - - - 25,732
42. Registrar General’s Office - - - - - 7,862
43. Valuation and Boundary Survey - - - - - 22,733

£1,710,386

Class IV.

52. That a sum not exceeding £55,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

7a. Scientific Investigation, &c. - - - - - 25,000

Class VI.

53. That a sum not exceeding £11,776 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

8. Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund - - - - - 11,776

Class VII.

54. That a sum not exceeding £50,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

13. Expenses under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905 - - - - - 50,000

Army Estimates, 1915-16.

56. That a sum not exceeding £16,000 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:

2. Medical Establishment : Pay, &c. - - - - - 1,000
3. Special Reserve - - - - - 1,000
4. Territorial Forces - - - - - 1,000
5. Establishments for Military Education - - - - - 1,000
6. Quartering, Transport, and Remounts - - - - - 1,000
7. Supplies and Clothing - - - - - 1,000
8. Ordnance Department Establishments and General Stores - - - - - 1,000

£16,000
57. That a sum not exceeding £2,738,399 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 1916 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.:—

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The first fifty Resolutions were read a second time, and postponed.

The subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Then the postponed Resolutions, being further considered, were agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of June last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

**Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.**

### Class II.

1. That a sum not exceeding £167,169 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate Offices.

2. That a sum not exceeding £45,603 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England.

### Class III.

3. That a sum not exceeding £58,396 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 1916 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, the Contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary, and Expenses in connection with Special Constabules and the Police Reserve.

4. That a sum not exceeding £357,990 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 1916 for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with discharged Prisoners.

5. That a sum not exceeding £161,824 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Inspector of Reformatories, and for the maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools, and in places of detention under the Children Act, in Great Britain.

6. That a sum not exceeding £29,120 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 1916 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatic Asylums at Broadmoor and Rampton.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Supply of Supply of the 12th day of this instant July several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

**Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1915-16.**

### Class VII.

1. That a sum not exceeding £568,275 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee (including sundry Grants in Aid).

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,300,356 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (England), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

3. That a sum not exceeding £177,553 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Wales), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

4. That a sum not exceeding £410,027 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Scotland), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I. of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).
5. That a sum not exceeding £285,090 be granted to the House of Commons, 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Ireland), and for Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under Part I of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and under the National Insurance Act, 1913 (including certain Grants in Aid).

6. That a sum not exceeding £57,700 be granted to the National Fund of Credit, 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Audit Staff under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £150,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for the purpose of maintaining and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, or otherwise; for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, or otherwise; for the relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenditure beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 20th day of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as follows:


That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £183,752,254 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 Secretary Sir John Simon, Mr. Montagu, and Mr. Bruce do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant July a Resolution: which was read, as follows:

Ordering, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Secretary Sir John Simon, Mr. Montagu, and Mr. Bruce do prepare and bring it in.

The Naval Discipline (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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 and No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 and No. 6 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 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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provisions as to mortgagees in possession).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon 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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Special Acts (Extension of Time) Bill; (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 desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (No. 2) 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill; 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 16th day of this instant July, That the Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] 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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 22nd July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Dewsbury House of the 20th day of this instant July, Corporation proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dewsbury 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, pursuant to the Order of the Metropolitan House of the 20th day of this instant July, Water Board Bill, ordered, That the Lords to the Metropolitan Water Board 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 Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) 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, according to Order, proceeded to Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) 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 Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) 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 Gas and Water 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Gas and Water 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.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Irish Pig-breeding Industry, with Appendices and Index.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the Road Board, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of No. 303. Fifth Annual Report of proceedings of the Road Board.

Copy of Abstract Account of Receipts into and Payments out of the Road Improvement Improvement Fund in the year ended 31st March 1915. Fund, 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. Runacres presented, pursuant to the Unemployment directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of No. 365. the Unemployment Insurance (Calculation of Interest) Regulations, 1915, made by the Board of Trade on 14th July 1915, in pursuance of Section 91 of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Copy of Rule made by the Board of Trade, on 7th July 1915, under the Assurance Companies Act, 1909, relating to Deposits by Assurance Companies.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Unemployment Insurance be printed.

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's British Empire Command,—Copy of Report of the Military Committee. Court of Inquiry into matters connected with the British Empire Committee.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of the National Physical Laboratory, with Balance Sheet for the year ending the 31st day of March 1915. (Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty's British Empire Command, charging the several Acts of Parliament, merit the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Lincoln Corporation 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 (charged to London County Council (Parks, &c.) 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 Plymouth Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the South Staffordshire Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.
Indictments Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law relating to Indictments in criminal cases, and matters incidental or similar thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Indictments Bill [Lords.] Bill 140.

Standing Orders, No. 306.

Elections and Registration Bill, Bill 138.

Business of the House (Friday Sitting.)

Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Limitation of price of coal at the pit's mouth).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "mouth," to insert the words "for household and domestic consumption, for railways, gas, electric lighting, waterworks, and controlled munition works, where dividends are limited by Act of Parliament, and also for public authorities."—(Sir Joseph Walton.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "mouth," to insert the words "of any mine the average output of which exceeds five hundred tons per day."—(Mr. Ronald M'Neil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out the word "coal," in order to insert the words "mine from which the coal has been won."—(Sir Edwin Cornwall.)

Question proposed, That the word "coal" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out from the word "exceeding" to the word "in," in l. 11, in order to insert the words "the average prices realised by rail, inland water, or land sale, respectively, for coal of the same description at the pit's mouth under which such coal has been sold but not delivered at the time of the passing of this Act it shall be an implied term that the price of such coal shall not exceed the lawful price as determined by this Act, and any disputes arising therefrom shall be submitted to the Board of Trade for determination in accordance with the Board of Trade Arbitrations, &c. Act, 1874."—(Mr. Goldstone.)

Question, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words:—(Sir Arthur Markham.)

Question, That those words be there inserted:

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 the Consolidated 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 the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 23rd July 1915:

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.

The Police Magistrates (Superannuation) Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The Police Magistrates (Superannuation) Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cotton Associations (Emergency Action) 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 Scottish Universities (Emergency Powers) 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 Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Scottish Universities (Emergency Powers) Bill [Lords];

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 19th day of this instant July, That the Grouse (Close Time) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] be now read a second time;

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 Welsh Church (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 20th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London County Council (Parks, &c.) Bill (changed from London County Council (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, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) 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.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Criminal and Judicial Statistics of Ireland for the year 1914. Part II. Civil Statistics.

Copy of Return of Advances made by the Irish Land Commission, Purchase Acts during the month of December 1914.

Copy of the Report of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland for the year 1914. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Scheme for the organisation and development of Scientific and Industrial Research.

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the National Physical Laboratory.

National Physical Laboratory, No. 307.

Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Revenue and Expenditure (England, Scotland, and Ireland).

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the Pacific Cable directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account Act, 1901, showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Pacific Cable Act, 1901, and of the money received, expended, and borrowed, and Securities created under the Pacific Cable Act, 1901, to the 31st March 1915, 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.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

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Friday, 23rd July 1915.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 20th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Lincoln 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.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Statement of the number of Paupers relieved on the 1st day of January 1915 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 278 of Session 1914–15).—(Mr. Hayes Fisher.)

Ordered, That Government Business be not interrupted this day at Five or half an hour after Five of the clock, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(Mr. Long.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

Clauses No. 1 to No. 7 agreed to. Schedules A, B, C 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 upon Monday next.

The Elections and Registration 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. Walter Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Limitation of price of coal at the pit’s mouth).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, at the end, to insert the words “Provided that a person shall not be liable to a fine under this provision if he shows that he had reasonable grounds to believe that he was not committing an offence.”—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.) Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted: Question put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, after the word “railway,” to insert the words “canal, inland waterway.”—(Sir Arthur Markham.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, at the end, to add the words—

“Provided that nothing in this section shall prejudice any owner of coal at the pit’s mouth in the sale of coal by him elsewhere than at the pit’s mouth as a merchant in competition with other coal merchants.”—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to. Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Decisions of questions by the Board of Trade).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33, after the word “export,” to insert the words “other than for the use and purposes of the allies of Great Britain and Ireland in the present war.”—(Sir Arthur Markham.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, to leave out the words “or to any sale of coal to be used on any ship.”—(Mr. Peto.) 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. 35, to leave out the words “the sale of.”—(Sir John Harmood-Bannister.)

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. 36, after the word “contract,” to insert the words “or agreement.”—(Sir John Harmood-Bannister.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 37, at the end, to insert the words—

“(3) This Act shall not apply to Ireland.”—(Mr. John O’Connor.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word “to,” to insert the words “or Kent.”—(Mr. Donald M’Neill.)

Question, That those words be added to the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 40, after the word “Act,” to insert the words “shall come into operation on the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

Question proposed, That those words be added to the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause (Limitation of charge for waggon hire)—(Sir Edwin Cornwall)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 4, to leave out the words “by more than fifty per cent.”—(Sir Arthur Markham.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Limitation of retail price of coal in London)—(Mr. Dockinson)—brought up, and read the first time.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Runciman presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of July in Undertakings, the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, other than those belonging to Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1913 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 137 of Session 1914).

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, for 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 1914 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 138 of Session 1914).

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the Bankruptcy, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy No. 313. of Thirty-second General Annual Report by the Board of Trade under Section 131 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883.

Copy of Returns relating to Pilotage, in the Pilots of the United Kingdom, for the year 1913. No. 314.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account, for Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts:—Account, for the year ended 20th November 1914, 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, and the interest paid and credited to Depositors...

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the Universities directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Scotland) University Court Ordinance, No. 48 (Edinburgh) (Ordinance) No. 16) (Institution of a Degree in the Theory, History, and Practice of Education, and relative Regulations), of the Commissioners under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to inquire into the conditions prevailing in the
Coal Mining Industry due to the War. Part II. Minutes of Evidence and Index.

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Councils of the Local Authorities under the Health and Housing (Local Government) Act 1919, and endorsed by the County Councils of the United Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by their Clerk, as follows

The Lords have agreed to the Expanding Law Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Bill, without any Amendment.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West of England Bill (Postponement) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

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 (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:-

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER, Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Elections and Registration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Postponement of local elections).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the word "existing," in order to insert the word "retiring."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That the word "existing" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "year," to insert the words "in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen the day of election of a chairman of a county council shall be the day of the first ordinary quarterly meeting of that council after the eighth day of March in that year; and nothing in any Act of Parliament shall require the council to hold a meeting for the election of the chairman or of aldermen apart from other county business."—(Sir William Ryland Acland.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 13, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, to leave out from the word "until" to the word "instead," in l. 17, in order to insert the words "the first day of November, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words "provided that no person so chosen shall hold office beyond the next succeeding election of councillors or guardians."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "effect," in l. 22, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Postponement of registration). Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 36, to leave out the words "thirty-first day of July," in order to insert the words "third day of August."—(Mr. Ellis Griffith.)

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. 37, to leave out from the word "effect" to the end of subsection (1).—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

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. 40, after the word "annulled," to insert the words "or suspended."—(Sir George Toulmin.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, to leave out from the word "that" to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words "overseers or any other officer or person shall be entitled to receive remuneration in respect of work done before the first day of August under the Acts relating to the registration of electors for the purposes of the preparation of the registers in the present year."—(Sir James Dougherty.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "done," in p. 3, l. 1, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Application to Scotland and Ireland).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, after the word "bailie," to insert the words "lord provost, provost, or."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 agreed to.

A Clause (Saving for the city of London) brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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 now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Price of Coal into consideration the Price of Coal (Limitation) (Limitation) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Discipline (No. 2) Discipline Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Amendment of s. 90 of Naval Discipline Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, to leave out the words "section ninety of."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 4 to No. 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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.

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 Police Magistrates (Superannuation) Police Magistrates (Superannuation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill Certificate).

Bill, having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWNTHE, Speaker).

The Order of the day being read, for taking Trading with the Enemy Amendment Bill;

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

The Scottish Universities (Emergency Scottish Powers) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Lords' Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. Webster Hes.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cotton Associations (Emergency Action) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Trustee Savings Banks.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th July 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons) Consolidated Regulations (Wales), 1915.

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

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of June in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return similar to Part II. of the Paper [Cd. 5951] issued by the Board of Education in 1911, but of wider scope, and giving (i) tables showing the salaries and ages of head and assistant masters and mistresses (as in [Cd. 5951]) in intermediate and secondary schools in Scotland; (ii) similar tables relating to primary schools; (iii) the total grants paid to the above two categories of schools during the last financial year (a) under the code; (b) under the regulations for grants to schools; and (c) under Section 17 of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908.

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


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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented,—Return County Courts to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 26th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to County Courts (Plains and Sittings).

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

Mr. Runciman presented,—Return to an Order, United Kingdom (Trade, Commerce, and Condition of People), dated the 26th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to United Kingdom (Trade, Commerce, and Condition of People).

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the Munitions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Rules, dated 31st July 1915, made under Section 8 of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, by the Minister of Munitions as to Badges.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Army (Special Command,—Copy of Return, for the year ended 31st March 1915, of Pensions specially granted under Articles 777 and 1201 of the Pay Warrant.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Report of proceedings at Agriculture the Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of Representatives of Authorities under the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888.

Copy of Annual Report on the administration of the Grant for the encouragement and improvement of the Live Stock Breeding Industry for the year ending 31st March 1915.

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

Sir George Toulmin reported from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports; and Debates Reports.

That they had considered the matters to them
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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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Derbyshire, &c.) 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, 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 Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) 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, 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. Speaker acquaints the House that a message has been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Execution of Trusts (War Facilities) Amendment Bill, with- out any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Price of Coal (Limitation) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Sale of coal in small quantities).—(Mr. Dickinson.)

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 read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Limitation of retail price of coal in London).—(Mr. Dickinson.)

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 read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 18, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that where any contract has been made on or after the first day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and before the commencement of this Act, for the sale of coal by the owner thereof at the pit's mouth, coal delivered under that contract after the expiration of the period fixed under this provision, and shown to be excepted coal within the meaning of this provision, shall, if the other party to the contract within two months after the commencement of this Act gives notice in writing to that effect to the owner of the coal at the pit's mouth, be deemed for the purposes of this Act to be sold at the time of the delivery thereof.

If in consequence of this provision the price to be paid by any person to whom coal is delivered is reduced by any amount, the price to be paid by any person to whom the coal is delivered in pursuance of any subsidiary contract shall be reduced by an equivalent amount.

For the purpose of this provision "excepted coal" means coal supplied for domestic or household purposes to any person and coal supplied for any purpose to any local authority, or to any undertakers supplying gas, water, or electricity in any locality in pursuance of authority given by an Act of Parliament, or by an Order confirmed by, or having the effect of, an Act.

The period fixed under this provision shall be a period of three months after the commencement of this Act, but the owner of the coal at the pit's mouth may apply to the Board of Trade for an extension of that period, and the Board of Trade may, if they are satisfied that there are special reasons in the case in question for such an extension, extend the period for such time as they think just under the circumstances, and the period so extended shall in such a case be the period fixed under this provision.

—(Mr. Rosewater.)

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, in l. 5, by leaving out the words "and shown to be excepted coal within the meaning of this provision."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment to the Bill, in l. 6, by leaving out the words "two months," and inserting the words "one month"—(Mr. Dundas White)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "two months" stand part of the said proposed Amendment to the Bill:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment to the Bill was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the said proposed Amendment to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14, by inserting, after the words "other than coal sold to the Admiralty or any other Government department, or purchased by them on behalf of the Governments of any country which is at war," the words "or may be fighting in alliance with the United Kingdom during the present war."—(Sir Arthur Markham.)

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. 3, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "amount," the words "and any purchaser under any such subsidiary contract shall have the same right to give notice to the owner of the coal at the pit's
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Scottish Universities (Emergency Powers) Bill [Lords].

(Cotton Associations (Emergency Action) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Gulland.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

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Wednesday, 28th July 1915.

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 London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 15th day of September next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 15th day of September next.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Derbyshire, &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.

The Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) 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.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Education (Scotland) (Teachers' Salaries), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bannar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 850 (Gibraltar, Annual Report for 1914).

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

Mr. Charles Roberts presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables relating to the Trade of British India with the British Empire and Foreign Countries, 1899-10 to 1913-14.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Boy Labour in the Post Office.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a formal investigation into the circumstances attending the foundering, on 7th May 1915, of the British Steamship "Lusitania," of Liverpool, after being torpedoed off the Old Head of Kinsale, Ireland.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 175, dated 28th March, 1915, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with American Gooseberry Mildew an infected area for the purposes of the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 belonging to Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1914 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 311 of Session 1914-15).—(Mr. Pryceman.)

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 1915 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 312 of Session 1914-15).—(Mr. Pryceman.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented by the Secretary 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 1914, under licences granted under the Act 36 & 38 Vict. c. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 370 of Session 1914).—(Mr. Bracey.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the estimated quantities of Coal raised in the United Kingdom in each of the quarters ended the 31st day of March and the 30th day of June 1915, compared with particulars for the corresponding periods of 1914.—(Mr. Bunciman.)
The Lords have agreed to the Elections and Registration Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Cotton Associations (Emergency Action) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Elections and Registration Bill be printed.

Bill 143.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Elections and Registration 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 Cotton Associations (Emergency Action) 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.

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, Treasury Control of Admiralty and War Department Expenditure, dated the 28th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Treasury Control of Admiralty and War Department Expenditure.

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

Mr. Runeiman presented,—Return Experiments on Living Animals.

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

Mr. Rasseimon presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Output of Coal in the United Kingdom.

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

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-five minutes before Two of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

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Thursday, 29th July 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Order made upon the 28th day of this Clergy instant July, That the Paper relative to Clergy (West Indies) be printed, was read and discharged.
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 having heard the Commission read.

Honourable House in the House of Peers, to Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this House, 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. Finance Act, 1915.
8. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1915.
15. Elections and Registration Act, 1915.
17. Police Magistrates (Superannuation) Act, 1915.
20. Port Glasgow Gas and Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
22. Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
23. Provisional Order (Marriages) Confirmation Act, 1915.
27. Electric Lighting Order Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1915.
28. Land Drainage Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
29. Land Drainage (Ouse) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
30. Land Drainage (Ravengahan) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1915.
31. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1915.
32. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1915.
33. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1915.
34. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1915.
35. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1915.
36. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1915.
38. Gas and Water Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1915.
40. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1915.
41. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1915.
42. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (Derbyshire, &c.) Act, 1915.
43. Education Board Provisional Orders Confirmation (London) Act, 1915.
44. Stalybridge, Hyde, Moseley, and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Act, 1915.
46. South Shields Corporation Act, 1915.
47. Wolverhampton Corporation Water Act, 1915.
50. Southend Waterworks Act, 1915.
52. Plymouth Corporation Act, 1915.
54. Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways Extensions, &c.) Act, 1915.
56. Metropolitan Water Board Act, 1915.
57. Dewsbury Corporation Act, 1915.
58. London County Council (Money) Act, 1915.
59. London County Council (Parks, &c.) Act, 1915.
60. Lincoln Corporation Act, 1915.
61. Massy's Divorce Act, 1915.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 28th day of this instant July, adjourned the House without Question put, it being then twenty-six minutes before Four of the clock, till Tuesday the 14th day of September next.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95.

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5422 to 5460.

Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and Russia for the reciprocal waiver of Consular Fees on Certificates of Origin relating to Exports. Petrograd, 3rd (10th) July 1915.

Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage passing through the Suez Canal in the years 1912, 1913, and 1914.

Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 851 (Sierra Leone, Annual Report for 1914), 852 (Grenada, Report for 1914-15), 853 (Bermuda, Annual Report for 1914).

Copy of Correspondence relating to the occupation of German Samoa by an Expeditionary Force from New Zealand.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken in the Maritime Provinces of Canada in 1914 before the Royal Commission on the Natural Resources, Trade, and Legislation of certain portions of His Majesty's Dominions.

Copy of Sixth Report of the Commissioners appointed to inventory the Ancient and Historical Monuments and Constructions of Wales and Monmouthshire, and to specify those which seem most worthy of preservation.

Copy of Eleventh Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for the year 1914.

Copy of Seventieth Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, for the year 1914.


Copy of Reports of His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines to the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the Coal Mines Acts, the Metalliciferous Mines Acts, and the Quaries Acts, 1894, for the year 1914.

Copy of The thirty-ninth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, for the year 1914.

Copy of Interim Report on an investigation of Industrial Fatigue by Physiological Methods, by A. F. Stanley Kent, M.A., D.Sc. (Oxon.), the Henry Overton Wills Professor of Physiology in the University of Bristol.

Copy of Memorandum explanatory of East India Accounts and Estimates, 1915-16, by the Secretary of State for India.

Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1914, Volume III. Part II. Returns of Produce of Crops in Scotland, with a Summary for the United Kingdom.


Copy of General Report to the Board of Trade upon the Accidents that have occurred on the Railways of the United Kingdom during the year 1914.

Copy of Return relating to the Railways of the United Kingdom for the year 1914 (Preliminary Statement).

Copy of Summary 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 March 1915, together with Reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Copy of Returns of the Capital, Traffic Receipts, and Working Expenditure of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom for the year 1913, with a General Report thereon and Summary Tables for a series of years.

Copy of Return by the Board of Trade of Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, during the Session of 1914-15.

Copy of Return of all Ships ordered by the Board of Trade or its Officers, during the period from 1st July 1914 to 30th June 1915, to be provisionally detained as unsafe.

Copy of Report by the House Governor and Overseer of Medical Superintendent at Osborne for the year ending 31st March 1915.


Annual Report for 1914 of the Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education.

Copy of Statement of Grants available from Board of Education in aid of Technological and Professional Work in Universities and the Established and Newer Colleges of Learning in England and Wales.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Food Production in Ireland.

Copy of Report of the Irish Land Commissioners for the year ending 31st March 1915.

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 30th June 1915.

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 1915.

Copy of Abstracts showing the acreage under Agricultural Crops and the numbers and descriptions of Livestock in each County and Province in Ireland for the year 1914-15.


Copy of Report and Tables relating to Irish Agricultural Labourers for the year 1914.

Copy of Fifty-seventh Report of the Board of Superintendence of Dublin Hospitals, for the year 1914-15.

Copy of Order, dated 17th August 1915, National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), for theNational Health Insurance (Glasgow Boundaries Extension) Order, 1915.

Copy of Tenth Report of the Meteorological Committee to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Dominions in England and Wales.
Majesty's Treasury, for the year ending 31st March 1915.

Copy of Report of the Government Chemist upon the work of the Government Laboratory for the year ended 31st March 1915, with Appendices.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 19th July 1915, relative to Currency Note Certificates.

Copy of Report of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated 31st August 1915, with Appendices.

Copy of Reports of Decisions on Appeals and Applications under Section 67 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, and Section 27 of the National Insurance Act, 1913 (Part II.).

Copy of Final Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to inquire into Swine Fever, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.

Copy of Interim Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to consider the Production of Food in England for the year 1913-14, Maps.

Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries for the year 1914.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command, Supplementary Estimate of the sum required to be voted for Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1913-16.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates, the said Return, and the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regulations and National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) be printed.

Mr. Ruinchman presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Act, 1912, and the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of the Unemployment Book (War) Regulations 1915, made by the Board of Trade on 29th August 1915, in pursuance of Section 91 of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Port of London Authority, for the year ending 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Port of London Authority be printed.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 26th July 1915, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 26th August 1915, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 28th July 1915, Jurisdiction Act, 1890, entitled the Bahrein (Amendment) Order in Council, 1913.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913, dated 12th August 1915.

Copy of Statute made by the University of Oxford, on 25th May 1915, under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, and sealed on the same day, amending Statute IV. of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, 1877 (Oxford), be printed.

Copy of Special Order, dated 14th July 1915, National Health Insurance (Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Employment under Local and Public Authorities) Exclusion Order (Scotland), 1915.

Orders, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates, the said Return, and the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regulations) and National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) be printed.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the Muni-
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. Gulland.)

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Ways and Means, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Gulland.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords]; Bill [Lords.]

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 93.]

Wednesday, 15th September 1915.

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 London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant September.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee ;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant September.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Unemployment Insurance, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant September, be printed.

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Revised Rates for Billeting.

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

Secretory Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the
15th September. 1915. [No. 98.]

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 Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915–16.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £250,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1915–16.

Class II.

£200,000, Supplementary sum for His Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

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 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, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Men.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £250,200,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

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.

County of Durham, constituting a new Polling District in the Parliamentary Division of Houghton-le-Spring and assigning a Polling Place thereto.

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

Mr. Harrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the month of January 1915.

Copy of Statistical Tables of the Dublin Metropolitan Police for the year 1914.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations for the Preliminary Education, Training, and Certification of Teachers for various Grades of Schools, 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed to consider the Drug Tariff, under the National Insurance (Combination of Insurance Committees) Regulations, 1915.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th September 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Drug Tariff) (Departmental Committee) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 10th September 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Durham and Darlington Insurance Committees) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 6th September 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navv and Army) Regulations (No. 1), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 6th September 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (England) (Regulations) No. 338.

Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Engalnd) (Regulations) No. 339.

Copy of Regulations, dated 6th September 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (England) (Regulations) No. 340.

Copy of Regulations, dated 7th September 1915, made by the Irish Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Ireland) (Regulations) No. 341.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 8th September 1915, granting a retired allowance to Mr. George Sanderson Hodson, His Majesty's Inspector of Schools, Board of Education.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) Regulations and National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) (Regulations) be printed.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 2464.

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

Mr. Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee ; That they had considered the Bills referred to them, and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill (Lords);

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 94.]

Thursday, 16th September 1915.

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

MR. M'KINNON Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Clackmannan County Water; And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Mr. M'KINNON Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Glasgow Water: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Secretary Sir John Simos presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Licence granted to Arthur John Edward Newton, to which is annexed a condition other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries on the distribution of Grants for Agricultural Education and Research in the year 1914-15, &c.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order 9493, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 19th August 1915, entitled the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Foreign Animals Wharf Order of 1915.


Copy of Order 9505, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 1st September 1915, altering the date of operation of Orders 9492 and 9493, entitled the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Irish Animals Landing Place Order of 1915 and the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Foreign Animals Wharf Order of 1915, respectively, from the 1st September 1915 to the 12th September 1915.

Copy of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 176—235, 237, and 240, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with American Gooseberry Mildew, and an infected area for the purposes of the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1915.

Copy of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 236, 238, and 239, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the Munitions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Minister of Munitions under Section 5 (4) of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, with respect to the limitation of Profits of a Controlled Establishment (Provisional Rules).

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Colonial Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, Reports No. 854 (Malta, Report for 1914–15).

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

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Session, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Walter Roe reported from the Committee on the Supply of the 16th day of this instant September several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915–16.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £250,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for general Navy and Army Services, to so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resales of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress;
and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1915-16.

Class II.

Secret Service.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £200,000 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 1916 for His Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee on Ways and Means of the 15th day of this instant September 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 1916, the sum of £250,200,000 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. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915-16, the sum of £200,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge, arising out of the existence of a state of War.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Intermediate Command,—Copy of Report of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland under the Intermediate Education (Ireland) Act, 1914, as to the application of the Teachers' Salaries Grant.

Mr. Birrell also presented,—Return to an Agricultural Order, dated the 10th day of March last, for a Return relative to Agricultural and Technical Instruction Schemes (Local Contributions) (Ireland).

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, entitled the Black Scab in Potatoes (Special Area, Ireland) Order, 1915.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Trade Reports, His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and (Annual) Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5465 to 5468.

Copy of Austrian and German Papers found in possession of Mr. James F. J. Archibald at Falmouth on 30th August 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Committee on Retrenchment in the Public Expenditure.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland under the Shops Act, 1912, dated 17th September 1915, affecting certain Shops in the Burgh of Ayr.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1912, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 11th September 1915, altering the date of operation of Orders 9492 and 9493, entitled the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Irish Animals Landing Place Order of 1915 and the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Foreign Animals Wharf Order of 1915, respectively, from the 12th September 1915 to the 22nd September 1915.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and British Possessions for 1914, compared with the four preceding years. Volume II.

Copy of List of Coal Merchants in the London District who have accepted an arrangement for a limitation of Profits.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the proposed increases in Postal Telegraph and Telephone Charges, and the additional revenue and saving in expenditure estimated therefrom for the years 1915-16 and 1916-17.

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

Mr. Secretary Bower Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 855 (Ceylon, Report for 1914).

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Revised Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1915-16.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statements showing the amount of tax payable on certain Incomes, and the virtual rate charged in the £ under the existing Law and under the proposals made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the 21st day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen. until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Coffee, not kiln-dried, roasted, or ground - the cwt. 0 7 0
Coffee, kiln-dried, roasted, or ground - the lb. 0 0 1

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Cocoa.

2. Resolved, That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on cocoa imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Cocoa - - - the lb. 0 0 0
Cocoa husks and shells the cwt. 0 1 0
Cocoa butter - - - the lb. 0 0 0

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Coffee.

3. Resolved, That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on coffee imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Coffee (not kiln-dried, roasted, or ground) - the cwt. 0 7 0
Coffee, kiln-dried, roasted, or ground - the lb. 0 0 1

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Chicory (Customs).

4. Resolved, That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on chicory imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Chicory, raw or kiln-dried the cwt. 0 6 7
Chicory, roasted or ground the lb. 0 0 1

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Chicory, &c. (Excise).

5. Resolved, That in addition to the duty of Excise now payable on chicory there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):—

£ s. d.

Chicory, raw or kiln-dried the cwt. 0 6 7

and so in proportion for any less quantity; and in addition to the duty of Excise now payable on any article or substance prepared or manufactured for the purpose of being
imitation of, or in any respect to resemble or to serve as a substitute for, coffee or chicory, and on any mixture of any such article or substance with coffee or chicory, there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):—

**£ s. d.**

For every quarter of a pound of any such article, substance, or mixture - - - 0 0 0

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

**Sugar (Customs).**

6. Resolved, That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on sugar imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged (without prejudice to the continuance after the said first day of August of the duties now payable) the following duties:—

**£ s. d.**

Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees - - - 0 0 4

Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76 degrees - - - 0 4 6

and intermediate duties varying between 9s. 4d. and 4s. 6d. on sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 98 and exceeding 76 degrees.

Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be tested by the polariscope)—

if containing 70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter - - - 0 5 1

if containing less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - - - 0 4 3

if containing not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - - - 0 2 1

Glucose—

Solid - - - - - 0 5 11

Liquid - - - - - 0 4 3

Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) the oz. - - - 0 3 0

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

8. Resolved, That there shall be charged on a licence to be taken out annually by a manufacturer of sugar an Excise duty of one pound.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

**Dried Fruit.**

9. Resolved, That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on dried fruit imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties:—

**£ s. d.**

Currants - - - - - 0 1 0

Figs and fig-cake, plums (commonly called French plums and prunelloes), prunes, all other dried or preserved plums, and raisins - - - - - 0 3 6

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

**Tobacco (Customs).**

10. Resolved, That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on tobacco imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

**£ s. d.**

Upon tobacco unmanufactured, viz.:

Containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof—

Unstripped - - - - - - - - 0 1 10

Stripped - - - - - - - - 0 1 10
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Motor Spirit (Excise).

13. Resolved, That in addition to the duty of Excise now payable on motor spirit made in Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say) :-

£ s. d.

Motor spirit - - the gallon 0 0 3

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Motor Spirit (Allowance).

14. Resolved, That the temporary increase of the duties on motor spirit shall not operate so as to increase the allowance or repayment in respect of the duty now made to persons using motor spirit for certain purposes.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Medicine Duties.

15. Resolved, That the Excise duties now payable on medicines shall, on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be doubled, and a duty shall be charged on the first sale on or after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, of any medicines on which the duty now payable has been paid equal to the amount of the duty originally paid.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Motor Cars, &c.

16. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say) :-

Motor cars, including motor bicycles and motor tricycles.

Accessories and component parts of motor cars, motor bicycles, or motor tricycles.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Musical Instruments, &c.

17. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say) :-

Musical instruments, including gramophones, pianolas, and other similar instruments.

Accessories and component parts of musical instruments, and records and other means of reproducing music.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Clocks, Watches, &c.

18. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say):—

Clocks, watches, and the component parts of
clocks and watches.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Hats, &c.

19. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any hats (including all forms of headgear) imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Plate Glass.

20. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on all plate glass imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of nine shillings and six pence per cwt., and so in proportion for any less quantity.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Cinematograph Films.

21. Resolved, That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on all films imported into Great Britain or Ireland for the purpose of the exhibition of pictures, or other optical effects by means of a cinematograph or any similar apparatus, the following Customs duties, namely:—

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Foot.

Blank film on which no picture has been impressed, known as raw film or stock — — — — — 0 3
Positives, i.e., films containing a picture and ready for exhibition — 0 1
Negatives, i.e., films containing a photograph from which positives can be printed — — — — 0 8

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Spirit (Tables for ascertaining Weight or Strength).

22. Resolved, That amended tables for ascertaining the weight or strength of spirits shall be substituted for the tables now in use for that purpose.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax (General).

23. Resolved, That—

(1) For the last six months of the current
Income Tax year the rate of Income
Tax shall be forty per cent., higher than the rate fixed by the Finance Act, 1915, (namely, three shillings and six pence instead of two shillings and six pence), and the rates of the amounts payable in respect of earned income and in respect of small incomes under section six of the Finance Act, 1914, as amended by

section ten of the Finance Act, 1915, shall also be increased by forty per cent. for that period.

(2) Effect shall be given to the said increase of tax as follows:—

(a) By making such deductions in the case of dividends, interest, or other annual sums due or payable after the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen, as will make the total amount deducted in respect of Income Tax for the year equal to that which would have been deducted if Income Tax for the year had been at the rate of three shillings;

(b) By treating the amount payable in respect of any assessments already made of tax chargeable otherwise than by way of deduction as increased by twenty per cent.;

(c) By increasing any such assessments not already made by twenty per cent.; and

(d) Where the amount of any exemption, relief, or abatement under the Income Tax Acts is to be determined by reference to the amount of Income Tax on any sum, by calculating the amount of the tax as increased by twenty per cent.

(3) It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax (Exemption and Abatement).

24. Resolved, That—

(a) The exemption from Income Tax now granted to persons whose income does not exceed one hundred and sixty pounds shall be limited so as to extend only to persons whose income does not exceed one hundred and thirty pounds; and

(b) The abatement of tax allowed under section thirty-four of the Finance Act, 1894, and section eight of the Finance Act, 1898, shall be reduced so as not to exceed—

(i) in the case of persons whose incomes do not exceed four hundred pounds, the tax upon one hundred and twenty pounds;

(ii) in the case of persons whose incomes exceed four hundred pounds but do not exceed six hundred pounds, the tax on one hundred pounds; and

any Acts relating to Income Tax shall have effect accordingly.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Charge of Income Tax on Persons employed.

25. Resolved, That provision may be made for charging employed individuals, or any class of employed individuals, with Income Tax on their actual income, and for the application of the Income Tax Acts to such cases, when required, as if for the purpose of assessment, charge, payment, and relief the tax was charged for each quarter of a year instead of for the whole year, and for requiring employers to make returns for the purpose of any such provision.
It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Charge of Schedule B Tax.

26. Resolved, That Income Tax under Schedule B shall be charged for the current year (and for any succeeding year for which Income Tax is charged) in respect of the occupation of lands, tenements, hereditaments, and heritages chargeable under that Schedule for every twenty shillings of the annual value thereof, instead of for every twenty shillings of one-third of the annual value thereof; and the Acts relating to Income Tax (including any enactments relating to relief from tax) shall have effect accordingly.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Super Tax (Extension of Scale).

27. Resolved, That the rate at which Super Tax is charged for the current year (and for any succeeding year for which Super Tax is charged) shall be altered so as to charge every pound of the excess charged under section three of the Finance Act, 1914, as amended or applied by any subsequent Act—

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Which is over £8,000 and does not exceed £9,000, at the rate of $d.

Which is over £9,000, at the rate of 3/4. of such excess.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Assessment of Bankers in respect of Interest credited to Customers.

28. Resolved, That in estimating for assessment under Schedule D of the Income Tax Acts the amount of the profits and gains of any banker no deduction shall be allowed from the profits or gains of any year of any interest paid or credited to any customer or other person, but the banker shall be allowed to deduct and retain out of any interest so paid or credited to any customer or other person, all interest paid or credited to any heritable interest in Scotland made from any sum by which the profits or gains arising from any trade, manufacture, concern in the nature of trade, or business (including agencies), in any period of account which includes any time after the commencement of the present year, exceed the pre-war standard of profits or gains, a tax of fifty per cent. of that sum.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Postal Packets and Telegrams.

31. Resolved, (1) That it is expedient to make such amendments in the enactments relating to the rates of postage and other sums to be charged in respect of postal packets as will enable the rate of postage—

(i) for an inland postcard to be increased from ½d. to ld. or, if it is a reply postcard, from 1d. to 2½d.;

(ii) for an inland packet the weight of which does not exceed two ounces to be increased from ¾d. to 1d.;

(iii) for an inland registered newspaper to be increased from ¾d. to 1d.

(2) That it is expedient to make such amendments in the enactments relating to the charges for the transmission of telegrams as will enable—

(i) the charges for the transmission of written telegrams throughout the United Kingdom to be fixed at a rate not exceeding 9d. for each telegram of 12 words, or for each telegram of less than 12 words, and 4½d. for each additional word; and

(ii) the charges for press telegrams to be fixed at rates not exceeding 2s. 6d. for every 100 words transmitted between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 a.m., and 2s. 6d. for every 75 words transmitted between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., to a single address, with an additional charge of 8d. for every 100 words or for every 75 words, as the case may be, of the same telegraphic communication transmitted to an additional address. 

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to propose, 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 Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the 112 Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 96.]

Wednesday, 22nd September 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Three Orders in Council, dated 14th September 1915, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 14th September 1865, under the Navy and Marine Property of Deceased Act, 1865, amending the Order in Council of 26th December 1865.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th September 1915, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army) Regulations (Scotland) (No. 2), 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 856 (Hong Kong, Report for 1914).

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

The Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, Munitions, which was presented upon the 15th day of July last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, Munitions, which was presented upon the 27th day of July last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, Munitions, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant September, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant September, be printed.

Mr. Long presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order of the Local Government Board under the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1909, approving, with modifications, the North Bromsgrove (Rubery) Town Planning Scheme.

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. 5469 to 5472.

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

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next. — (The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 4) 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 read the third time upon Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Amendment of Law.

1. Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with Finance.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Repeal of 2 & 3 Geo. 5, c. 8, s. 2.

2. Resolved, That section two of the Finance Act, 1912 (which relates to the distribution of payments on account of liquor licence duties in certain cases), shall cease to have effect, without prejudice to the validity of any payments already made in pursuance of that section.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and 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.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday 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 Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st day of this instant September; be printed.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords]:

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Deputy Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Deputy Speaker without a Question first put, at two minutes before Eleven of the clock, till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

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

PRAYERS.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the Shops Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing the money issued out of the Consolidated Fund; the money borrowed and the Securities created in respect thereof; and the expenditure of a capital nature incurred by the Local Government Board, the Local Government Board for Scotland, and the Commissioners of Works, respectively, under the Housing Act, 1914, for the period ended 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing the money issued out of the Consolidated Fund in respect of the Funds of Judicature in respect of the Funds of Judicature.

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

Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Supreme Court of Judicature in respect of the Funds of Judicature.

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

Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of proceedings of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Acts, &c. for the year 1914.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 241, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infested with American Gooseberry Mildew, and an infected area for the purposes of the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1915.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907.

Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 242, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infested with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

Diseases of Animals Acts.

Copy of Order 9519, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 21st September 1915, postponing the operation of the two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 4th October 1915.

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

Trade of South Africa.

Mr. Rowntree presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Board of Trade on the Trade of the Union of South Africa (and Rhodesia) for the year 1914, by His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for South Africa (Mr. H. E. Gauntlett).

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

East Indies (Military.)

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Despatches regarding operations in the Persian Gulf and in Mesopotamia.

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

Queens-town Harbour Committee.

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report from the Committee of Supply appointed by the Postmaster General to consider the omission of the call at Queens-town on the American Mail Service, together with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and a Chart of Queens-town Harbour.

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

Congested Districts Board (Ireland.)

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twentieth Report of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland, with references to subsequent transactions, and with Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1915.

Criminal and Judicial Statistics (Ireland.)

Copy of Criminal and Judicial Statistics of Ireland for the year 1914. Part I. Criminal Statistics.

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 Accounts of the Irish Land Commission in respect of Church Temporalities in Ireland from 1st April 1914, and from 26th July 1869 (the date of the Irish Church Act), to 31st March 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of classes of Documents existing or accruing in the High Court of Justice, Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division (Admiralty, formerly the High Court of Admiralty, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation therein.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Church Temporalities (Ireland) be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's Table, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,
Speaker.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Ways and Means [23rd September] and the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means [23rd September] 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 receiving Ways and Means of the 21st day of this instant September; 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 Courts Bill; Report.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Bill; Report.

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

Standing Order No. 9 was read, as follows:—Standing Orders.

(1) Notices of Questions shall be given by Members in writing to the Clerk at the Table prior to when Questions to Members,

(2) Questions shall be taken on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, after private Business has been disposed of, and not later than Three of the clock;

(3) No Questions shall be taken after a quarter before Four of the clock, except Questions which have not been answered in consequence of the absence of the Minister to whom they are addressed, and Questions which have
not appeared on the Paper, but which are of an urgent character, and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business;

(4) Any Member who desires an oral answer to his Question may distinguish it by an asterisk, but notice of any such Question must appear, at latest, on the Notice Paper circulated on the day before that on which an answer is desired;

(5) If any Member does not distinguish his Question by an asterisk, or if he or any other Member deputed by him is not present to ask it, or if it is not reached by a quarter before Four of the clock, the Minister to whom it is addressed shall cause an answer to be printed and circulated with the Votes, unless the Member has signified his desire to postpone the Question:

And amended, in paragraph 5, l. 7, by leaving out the words "and circulated with the Votes," and inserting the words "in the Official Report of the Parliamentary Debates"—(Mr. Galland)—instead thereof.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Wednesday, 29th September 1915.

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 London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 14th day of October next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 14th day of October next.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5473 to 5480.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics of Compensation and of proceedings under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, and the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, during the year 1914.

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the County of Cardigan under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Cocoa. 2. That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on cocoa imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):—

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Rate</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cocoa</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cocoa husks and shells</td>
<td>0 0 0 1/4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocoa butter</td>
<td>0 0 0 1/4</td>
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and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Coffee. 3. That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on coffee imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Coffee (not kiln-dried, roasted, or ground)</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Coffee, kiln-dried, roasted, or ground</td>
<td>0 0 1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Chicory (Customs). 4. That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on chicory imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):—

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Chicory, raw or kiln-dried</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicory, roasted or ground</td>
<td>0 6 1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Chicory (Excise). 5. That in addition to the duty of Excise now payable on chicory there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):—

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<tr>
<td>Chicory, raw or kiln-dried</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
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</table>

and so in proportion for any less quantity:

and in addition to the duty of Excise now payable on any article or substance prepared or manufactured for the purpose of being in imitation of, or in any respect to resemble or to serve as a substitute for, coffee or chicory, and on any mixture of any such article or substance with coffee or chicory, there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):—

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees</td>
<td>£ s. d.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76 degrees</td>
<td>0 4 6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be tested by the polarscope)</td>
<td>0 5 11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Glucose</td>
<td>0 4 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use)</td>
<td>0 3 0</td>
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</table>

and so in proportion for any less quantity.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.
### Tobacco (Customs)

8. That there shall be charged on a licence to be taken out annually by a manufacturer of sugar an Excise duty of one pound.

### Dried Fruit

9. That in addition to the duties of Customs now payable on dried fruit imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>£</th>
<th>s.</th>
<th>d.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76 degrees - the cwt.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>and intermediate duties varying between 7s. and 3s. 4d. on sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 98 and exceeding 76 degrees.</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Molasses (including all sugar and extracts from sugar which cannot be tested by the polariscope)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>if containing 70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter - the cwt.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>if containing less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>if containing not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter - the cwt.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Glucose</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Solid</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Liquid</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) the oz.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

### Tobacco (Excise)

11. That in addition to the duties of Excise Tobacco now payable on tobacco grown in Great Britain (Excise) or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duties (that is to say):

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<th>Description</th>
<th>£</th>
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<tr>
<td>Upon tobacco manufactured, viz.:</td>
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<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cigars</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cigarettes</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cavendish or Negrohead the lb.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cavendish or Negrohead manufactured in bond</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other manufactured tobacco</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Snuff containing more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Snuff not containing more than 13 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>8</td>
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And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

### Motor Spirit (Customs)

12. That in addition to the duty of Customs Motor Spirit now payable on motor spirit imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the twenty-second day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following additional duty (that is to say):

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<th>Description</th>
<th>£</th>
<th>s.</th>
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<td>upon tobacco unmanufactured, viz.:</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tobacco containing 10 lbs. or more of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof the lb.</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tobacco containing less than 10 lbs. of moisture in every 100 lbs. weight thereof</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
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Motor Spirit (Allowance).

14. That the temporary increase of the duties on motor spirit shall not operate so as to increase the allowance or repayment in respect of the duty now made to persons using motor spirit for certain purposes.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Medicine Duties.

15. That the Excise duties now payable on medicines shall, on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be doubled, and a duty shall be charged on the first sale on or after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, of any medicines on which the duty now payable has been paid equal to the amount of the duty originally paid.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Motor Cars, &c.

16. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland for the purpose of the exhibition of pictures, or other optical effects by means of a cinematograph or other similar apparatus, the following Customs duties, namely:

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Duty</th>
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<tr>
<td>Motor cars, including motor bicycles and motor tricycles.</td>
<td>4d. per linear foot.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Accessories and component parts of motor cars, motor bicycles, or motor tricycles.</td>
<td>6d. per linear foot.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Musical instruments, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say): —</td>
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<tr>
<td>Musical instruments, including gramophones, pianolas, and other similar instruments.</td>
<td>4d. per linear foot.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Accessories and component parts of musical instruments, and records and other means of reproducing music.</td>
<td>6d. per linear foot.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clocks, Watches, &amp;c.</td>
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<tr>
<td>That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say): —</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clocks, watches, and the component parts of clocks and watches.</td>
<td>4d. per linear foot.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hats, &amp;c.</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any hats (including all forms of headgear) imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article.</td>
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Super Tax (Extension of Scale).

27. That the rate at which Super Tax is charged for the current year (and for any succeeding year for which Super Tax is charged) shall be altered so as to charge every pound of the excess charged under section three of the Finance Act, 1914, as amended or applied by any subsequent Act—

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<th>Rate</th>
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<tr>
<td>£8,000</td>
<td>Does not exceed £8,000, at the rate of 2s. 10d.</td>
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It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Assessment of Bankers in respect of Interest credited to Customers.

28. That in estimating for assessment under Schedule D of the Income Tax Acts the amount of the profits and gains of any banker no deduction shall be allowed from the profits or gains of any year of any interest paid or credited to any customer or other person, but the banker shall be allowed to deduct and retain out of any interest so paid or credited the amount of Income Tax on such interest.

Deductions in respect of Schedule A Tax in Scotland.

29. That deductions in respect of Income Tax under Schedule A on lands and heritages in Scotland made from any rent, interest, or payment due for a period ending on 15th May shall be made at the rate in force at the commencement of that period.

Tax on Increase of Trade Incomes, &c.

30. That there shall be charged on any sum by which the profits or gains arising from any trade, manufacture, concern in the nature of trade, or business (including agencies), in any period of account which includes any time after the commencement of the present war, exceed the pre-war standard of profits or gains, a tax of fifty per cent. of that sum.

Postal Packets and Telegrams.

31.—(1) That it is expedient to make such amendments in the enactments relating to the rates of postage and other sums to be charged in respect of postal packets as will enable the rate of postage—

- for an inland postcard to be increased from ½d. to 1d. or, if it is a reply postcard, from 1½d. to 2½d.;
- for an inland book packet the weight of which does not exceed two ounces to be increased from 1½d. to 2½d.;
- for an inland registered newspaper to be increased from 1½d. to 2½d.

(2) That it is expedient to make such amendments in the enactments relating to the charges for the transmission of telegrams as will enable—

- the charges for the transmission of written telegrams throughout the United Kingdom to be fixed at a rate not exceeding 6d. for each telegram of 12 words, or for each telegram of less than 12 words, and 7d. for each additional word; and
The order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Ways and Means of the 23rd day of this instant September, Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 22nd September, Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on Ways and Means, Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 100.]

Thursday, 30th September 1915.

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

Prayers.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Regulations, dated 28th September 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Regulations) (Navy and Army) Regulations (Wales) (No. 1), No. 360, 1915.

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

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business of the House, under discussion at Eleven o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 21st September, That this House do agree with the Committee in the Sixteenth of the Resolution proposed upon the 29th day of this instant September, That this House do adjourn (Mr. Radford) — it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Ordered, That the subsequent Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.
August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say):—

Motor cars, including motor bicycles and motor tricycles;

Accessories and component parts of motor cars, motor bicycles, or motor tricycles;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord Edmund Talbot : } 174.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lieut.-Commodore Wedgwood : } 8.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Musical Instruments, &c.

17. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say):—

Musical instruments, including gramophones, pianolas, and other similar instruments;

Accessories and component parts of musical instruments, and records and other means of reproducing music.

Clocks, Watches, &c.

18. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article (that is to say):—

Clocks, watches, and the component parts of clocks and watches.

Hats, &c.

19. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on any hats (including all forms of headgear) imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of an amount equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the article.

Plate Glass.

20. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on all plate glass imported into Great Britain or Ireland a Customs duty of nine shillings and six pence per cwt.; and so in proportion for any less quantity.

Cinematograph Films.

21. That on and after the twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, there shall be charged on all films imported into Great Britain or Ireland for the purpose of the exhibition of pictures, or other optical effects by means of a cinematograph or other similar apparatus, the following Customs duties, namely:—

Per linear foot.

Blank film, on which no picture has been impressed, known as raw film or stock.

Positive, i.e., films containing a picture and ready for exhibition.

Negative, i.e., films containing a photograph from which positives can be printed.

Spirit (Tables for ascertaining Weight or Strength).

22. That amended tables for ascertaining the Spirit (Tables for ascertaining Weight or Strength) shall be substituted for the tables now in use for that purpose.

Income Tax (General).

23. That—

(1) For the last six months of the current Income Tax year the rate of Income Tax shall be forty per cent. higher than the rate fixed by the Finance Act, 1915 (namely, three shillings and six pence instead of two shillings and six pence), and the rates of the amounts payable in respect of earned income and in respect of small incomes under section six of the Finance Act, 1914, as amended by section ten of the Finance Act, 1915, shall also be increased by forty per cent. for that period.

(2) Effect shall be given to the said increase of tax as follows:—

(a) By making such deductions in the case of dividends, interest, or other annual sums due or payable after the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and fifteen, as will make the total amount deducted in respect of Income Tax for the year equal to that which would have been deducted if Income Tax for the year had been at the rate of three shillings;

(b) By treating the amount payable in respect of any assessments already made of tax chargeable otherwise than by way of deduction as increased by twenty per cent.;

(c) By increasing any such assessments not already made by twenty per cent.; and

(d) Where the amount of any exemption, relief, or abatement under the Income Tax Acts is to be determined by reference to the amount of Income Tax on any sum, by calculating the amount of the tax at three shillings.

(3) It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.
Income Tax (Exemption and Abatement).

24. That—
   (a) The exemption from Income Tax now granted to persons whose income does not exceed one hundred and sixty pounds shall be limited so as to extend only to persons whose income does not exceed one hundred and thirty pounds; and
   (b) The abatement of tax allowed under section thirty-four of the Finance Act, 1894, and section eight of the Finance Act, 1898, shall be reduced so as not to exceed—
      (i) in the case of persons whose incomes do not exceed four hundred pounds, the tax upon one hundred and twenty pounds;
      (ii) in the case of persons whose incomes exceed four hundred pounds but do not exceed six hundred pounds, the tax on one hundred pounds;
   and any Acts relating to Income Tax shall have effect accordingly.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Charge of Income Tax on Persons employed.

25. That provision may be made for charging employed individuals, or any class of employed individuals, with Income Tax on their actual income, and for the application of the Income Tax Acts to such cases, when required, as if for the purpose of assessment, charge, payment, and relief the tax was charged for each quarter of a year instead of for the whole year, and for requiring employers to make returns for the purpose of any such provision.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Charge of Schedule B Tax.

26. That Income Tax under Schedule B shall be charged for the current year (and for any succeeding year for which Income Tax is charged) in respect of the occupation of lands, tenements, hereditaments, and heritages chargeable under that Schedule for every twenty shillings of the annual value thereof, instead of for every twenty shillings of one-third of the annual value thereof; and the Acts relating to Income Tax (including any enactments relating to relief from tax) shall have effect accordingly.

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Super Tax (Extension of Scale).

27. That the rate at which Super Tax is charged for the current year (and for any succeeding year for which Super Tax is charged) shall be altered so as to charge every pound of the excess charged under section three of the Finance Act, 1914, as amended or applied by any subsequent Act—

Which is over £8,000 and does not exceed £9,000, at the rate of

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Which is over £9,000, and does not exceed £10,000, at the rate of

Which is over £10,000, at the rate of

It is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Assessment of Bankers in respect of Interest credited to Customers.

28. That in estimating for assessment under Assessment of Bankers in respect of Interest credited to Customers

29. That deductions in respect of Schedule A Tax under Schedule D on lands and heritages in Scotland made from any rent, interest, or payment due for a period ending on 15th May 1915 shall be made at the rate in force at the commencement of that period.

Tax on Increase of Trade Incomes, &c., during the War.

30. That there shall be charged on any sum which is a reply postcard, or is a reply postcard, from 4d. to 1d. ;

31.—(1) That it is expedient to make such Postal Packets and Telegrams amendments in the enactments relating to the rates of postage and other sums to be charged in respect of postal packets as will enable the rate of postage—

   (i) for an inland postcard to be increased from 4d. to 10d. or, if it is a reply postcard, from 1d. to 2d. ;
   (ii) for an inland book packet the weight of which does not exceed two ounces to be increased from 4d. to 1d. ;
   (iii) for an inland registered newspaper to be increased from 5d. to 1d.

(2) That it is expedient to make such amendments in the enactments relating to the charges for the transmission of telegrams as will enable—

   (i) the charges for the transmission of written telegrams throughout the United Kingdom to be fixed at a rate not exceeding 6d. for each telegram of 12 words, or for each telegram of less than 12 words, and 3d. for each additional word ; and
   (ii) the charges for press telegrams to be fixed at rates not exceeding 2s. 6d. for every 100 words transmitted between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 a.m., and 2s. 6d. for every 75 words transmitted between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., to a single address, with an additional charge of 6d. for every 100 words or for every 75 words, as the case may be, of the same telegraphic communication transmitted to any additional address.
The Seventeenth and Eighteenth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Nineteenth and Twentieth Resolutions, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Twenty-first to Thirtieth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Thirty-first Resolution being read a second time:

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Resolution be now adjourned.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday the 12th day of October next.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 23rd day of this instant September several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Amendment of Law.

1. That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with Finance.

Repeal of 2 & 3 Geo. 5, c. 8, s. 2.

2. That section two of the Finance Act, 1912 (which relates to the distribution of payments on account of liquor licence duties in certain cases), shall cease to have effect, without prejudice to the validity of any payments already made in pursuance of that section.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions, and upon the Resolutions which were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st day of this instant September, and agreed to by the House upon the 29th day of this instant September and this day: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), to alter other duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise) and the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of October next; and to be printed.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 12th day of October 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 Tuesday the 12th day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 12th day of October next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of October next.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Session, do adjourn till Tuesday the 12th day of the House October next.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, till Tuesday the 12th day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 101.]

Tuesday, 12th October 1915.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The following Papers, presented by His Lordships, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:—

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Trade Reports Annual Series, Nos. 5481 to 5489.


Copy of Accounts of the Crown Agents' Office Funds for the Colonies.

Copy of Statistics of Public Education Board of in Wales (with Monmouthshire), Part II. Education.


Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Prisons and the Directors of Convict Prisons, (England and Wales) with Appendices, for the year ended 31st March 1915.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant Inquiries to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Acts, 1879 to 1900.
—Copy of Report of the Inspector under the Inquiries Acts, 1879 to 1900, for the year 1914.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, Shops Act, made by the Council of the undermentioned 1912, Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of South Shields.

Copies of Orders under the Shops Act, 1912, Shops Act, made by the Councils of the undermentioned 1912, Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Derby (Urban District of Swadlincote and Parishes of Woodville and Castle Gresley).

County Boroughs of South Shields (two) and Huddersfield (specified area).

Borough of Luton.
256
Shops Act,
1912.

12th October.

1912.

of State for the Home Department :
1912.

Mental
Deficiency
Act, 1913
(Regulations.)

Telegraphs.

entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical (Regulations.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, Table
; and be printed.
made by the Council of the undermentioned
Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary

Shops Act,

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Copies of Orders under the Shops Act, 1912,
Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated National
made by the Councils of the undermentioned 30th September 1915, made by the National Health
Insurance
Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secre- Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting
jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, Committee)
tary of State for ;he Home Department :
County Borough of Burnley (two).
Rural District of Swansea.

Shops Act,

1915.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Com- Prisons

mand,Copy of Thirty-seventh Report of the (
General Prisons Board (Ireland), for 1914-15,

Borough of Eccles.
Copies of Orders under the Shops Act, 1912, with an Appendix.
made by the Councils of the undermentioned
Copy of Report of the Estates Commissioners Irish Laud
Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secreunder
tary of State for the Home Department:
ending
31st March 1915, and for the period
Borough of Ealing.
from 1st November 1903 to 31st March 1915,
Rural District of Swansea.
with an Appendix.
Copy of Regulations made by the Secretary
Copy of Report of the Department of Agri- Fisheries
of State for the Home Department under the culture
and Technical Instruction for Ireland on (Ireland.)
Mental Deficiency Act, 1913, as to the transfer the Sea and Inland Fisheries of Ireland for the
of Patients from one certified institution to year 1914.
another, and from a State institution to a certified
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
institution, and, in cases appropriate to State
institutions, from a certified institution to a Table.
State institution.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pur- East India
rased
Table.
suant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Loans
in England.)

Return of all Loans raised in England under No 369.
Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to the provisions of any Acts of Parliament,
the directions of an Act of Parliament,Copy chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding
of the Telephone Regulations, 1915. Dated at the commencement of the half-year ended on
the 30th September 1915, with the rates of
28th September 1915.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the interest and total amount payable thereon, and the
date of the termination of each Loan, the debt
Table.
incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised

during the half-year, the Loans paid
Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the thereby
off
or
discharged
the half -year, and the
directions of an Act of Parliament,Copy of Loans outstandingduring
at
the
close of the half-year I
Provisional Regulations, dated 8th October 1915, stating, so far as the public
Commission
convenience wil
made by the National Health Insurance Joint
(Wales)
(Regulations.) Committee, and the Welsh Insurance Commis- allow, the purpose or service for which moneys
No. 361. sioners, entitled the National Health Insurance have been raised during the half-year.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
(Medical Benefit) Regulations ( Wales), 1915.
National
Copy of Provisional Regulations made by the Table ; and be printed.
Health
National Health Insurance Joint Committee,
Insurance
Mr. Arland presented, pursuant to the direc- Diseases of
dated 9th October 1915, entitled the National
(Joint
Committee)
(Regulations.)
National
Health
Insurance

No. 362.
National
Health
Insurance

lations, 1915.

Order 9527, dated 2nd October 1915, under the
Diseases of Animals Acts, postponing the

Copy of Regulations made by the National operation of the two Orders described in the

Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated Schedule thereto until the 18th October 1915.
1st October 1915, entitled the National Health
(Joint
Committee)
Insurance (Societies' Accounts and Adminis- Copies of Orders under the Destructive Destructive
at
(Regulations.) tration Expenses) Regulations, 1915.
Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, num- InsectsAsand
No. 363.
bered D,I.P. 243 to 247, declaring the respective 1877 and 1'907.
National
Health
Insurance
(Joint
Committee)
(Regulations.)

No. 364.
National
Health
Insurance

(Joint

Committee)
(Regulations.)

No. 365.
National
Health
Ins urance
(Joint
Committee)
(Regulations.)

No. 366.
National
Health
Insurance

(Joint

Committee)

(Regulations.)

No. 367.

Copy of Regulations made by the National
Insurance Joint Committee. dated
29th September 1915, entitled the National
Health Insurance (Persons of Unsound Mind)
Health

areas described in the Schedules thereto to be
infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas

for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes
(Infected Areas) Order of 1914.
Regulations, 1915.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Copy of Regulations made by the National Table.
Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated
29th September 1915, entitled the National
Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Colonial
Health Insurance (Transfer Values) Regula- Majesty's Command,Copy of Colonial Report, Reports
(Annual.)
tions, 1915.
No. 861 (Gambia, Report for 1914).
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Copy of Regulations made by the National
Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated Table.
1st October 1915, entitled the National Health
The following Paper, pursuant to the direc- Public Records,
Insurance (Accounts of Insurance Committees)
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tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid uponof (Cxcustom
Regulations, 1915.
Eise.)

Copy of Regulations made by the National
Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated
29th September 1915, entitled the National
Health Insurance (Lapsed Transfer Values)
Regulations, 1915.

the Table by the Clerk of the House: Copy
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Schedule containing a list and particulars of
classes of Documents existing or accruing in
His Majesty's Customs and Excise which are
not considered of sufficient public value to justify
their preservation therein.


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 Clackmannan County Water Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Water Order Confirmation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill (now War Pensions, Help to Disabled Men, &c., Bill), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Glasgow Water Order Confirmation Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Mr. Herbert Samuel, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Pike Pease, presented a Bill to alter certain Statutory Limits of Postal and Telegraph Rates, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable a Loan to be raised in conjunction with the French Government in the United States of America: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring in it.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to enable a Loan to be raised in conjunction with the French Government in the United States of America: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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 Thirty-first of the Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of September last, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st day of September last;

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ordered the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

[No. 102.]

Wednesday, 13th October 1915.

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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Glasgow Water 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.

Mr. Long presented, by His Majesty's Com- mand,—Copy of Supplement to the Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Local Government Board for 1914-15, in continuation of the Report of
the Medical Officer of the Board for 1914-15,
containing a Report on Maternal Mortality,
in connection with Child-bearing and its relation
to Infant Mortality.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
the Munitions (War Service Badges) Rules,
1915, dated 9th October 1915.

Copy of the Munitions (Ordering of Work)
Regulations, 1915, dated 9th October 1915.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
the Postal Order (Inland) Amendment (No. 2)
Rules, 1915, Dated 1st October 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 American Loan
Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House
a Copy of Correspondence between the Treasury
and the Bank of England as to the issue of
Notes in excess of the limit fixed by Law at the
time of the outbreak of War.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Tennant presented a Bill to make
admissible as Evidence in trials under the
Defence of the Realm Acts Evidence given at
preliminary investigations by witnesses who are
unable to attend at the trial by reason of death,
illness, or active service: And the same was
ordered to be read a second time to-morrow;
and to be printed.

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to authorise the
temporary closing of the Ulster Canal: And
the same was ordered to be read a second time
to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a
Bill to amend the Law with respect to Clubs
during the continuance of the present War:
And that Secretary Sir John Simon, Mr. Long,
Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Bruce do prepare
and bring it in.

Secretary Sir John Simon accordingly presented
a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Clubs
during the continuance of the present War:
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 Finance (No. 3) Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question
being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second
time;

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 having
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 autho-
rised had declared the Royal Assent to the said
Acts, as follow:

2. Clackmannan County Water Order Con-
firmation Act, 1915.

And the Question being again proposed, That Finance
the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after
Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 14th October 1915:

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Postal and Telegraph Rates (Statutory Limits) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking
into consideration the Thirty-first of the Resolu-
tions which, upon the 29th day of September
last, were reported from the Committee of Ways
and Means of the 21st day of September last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken
into further consideration this day.

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 the Courts
Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Statutory
Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments
Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
this day.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Ulster Canal
Private Bills do examine the Ulster Canal Bill, Bill,
with respect to compliance with the Standing
Orders relative to Private Bills.

And it being after half-past Eleven of Adjournment,
the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr.
Speaker adjourned the House without
Question put, pursuant to the Standing
Order, it being then the hour minutes after
Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning,
till this day.
Thursday, 14th October 1915.

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 London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Mr. Birkett presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of proceedings of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Fertilizers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906; the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909; the Bee Pest Prevention (Ireland) Act, 1908; and the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, for the year 1914.

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant October, for a Return relative to Bank of England Note Issue.

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

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Postal and Telegraph Rates (Statutory Limits) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Lords’ Amendments be now taken into consideration:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Ulster Canal Second Reading of the Ulster Canal Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ways and Means into consideration the Thirty-first of the Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of September last, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st day of September last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Evidence) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then Eight of the clock, till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
PRAYERS.

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 13th day of this instant October, That in the case of the following Bill no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ulster Canal Bill

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 Westmoreland (Northern or Appleby Division) Writ, No. 372.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report on Sanitary Measures in India in 1913-14. Vol. XLVII.

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 Order made by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 15th October 1915, under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain classes of Shops in the City of Edinburgh.

Copy of Recommendation of the Secretary for Scotland under the Children Act, 1908, as to Parliamentary Grant to certified Day Industrial Schools in Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Children Act, 1908, be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on the Life-saving Apparatus on the coasts of the United Kingdom, for the year ending 30th June 1915.

Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of New Zealand.

Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of Australia for the year 1914, by Mr. W. G. Wickham, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for New Zealand.

Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of Australia for the year 1914, by His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for Australia (Mr. G. T. Milne).

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

Secretaries Sir John Simon, presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Fifty-eighth Report, for the year 1914, of the Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools of Great Britain.

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

Mr. Acton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 248 to 254, inclusive, declaring the areas described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-third Report of the Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland, for the year 1914.

Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the month of Commission, February 1915.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to Post Office directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fifty-sixth Report of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish (Joint Committee) Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, dated 8th October 1915, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Reports, Nos. 862 (Straits Settlements, Report Annual.) 863 (Northern Territories of the Gold Coast, Report for 1914), and 864 (Ashanti, Report for 1914).

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 Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number of Visits made and the number of Patients seen by the several Commissioners in Lunacy during the six months ending on 30th June 1915.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill. (No. 5) Bill. (in the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Increased duty on tea).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1. l. 16, to leave out the words “or Ireland.”—(Mr. Gibson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot : 204.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Goddione : 26.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 5 agreed to.
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Clause No. 6 (Increased Custom duties on sugar, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 17, to leave out the words "first column of the."—(Mr. Theodore Taylor.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Guilland, Yeas, | Lord Edmond Talbot: | 166.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Theodore Taylor, Noes, | Mr. Llewelyn Williams: ] 36.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 7 to No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Additional duty on motor spirit).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words "Subsection (1), section eighty-five, of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, shall apply to any person using motor spirit for any of the purposes mentioned in this subsection as it applies to any person using motor spirit for any of the purposes mentioned in Part I. of the Fifth Schedule to that Act, that is to say, for the purpose of supplying motive power to a motor car kept by (a) a clergyman of any religious denomination; (b) a duly qualified engineer in the exclusive employment of a local authority; or (c) a duly qualified veterinary surgeon, while the car is being used by the clergyman, engineer, or veterinary surgeon for the purposes of his ministry or profession, as the case may be, and the last preceding subsection of this section shall have effect accordingly."—(Mr. John O'Connor.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 (New import duties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 36, to leave out the words "twenty-ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen," in order to insert the words "passing of this Act."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 2, after the word "Ireland," to insert the words "except from any other parts of His Majesty's dominions."—(Sir William Howell Davies.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir William Howell Davies, Yeas, | ] 20.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 2, after the word "Ireland," to insert the words "except from the territories of His Majesty's Allies for the time being."—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Chancelor of the Exchequer),—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 Courts

Second Reading of the Clubs (Temporary (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Postal and Telegraph Rates (Statutory Limits) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Debate on the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) 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 Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means (Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ways and Means into consideration the Thirty-first of the Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of September last, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st day of September last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration 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 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 Courts

Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments

Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords]; Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

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[No. 105.]

Wednesday, 20th October 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Dundee Corporation; and the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Public Petition was 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. 5490 to 5509.

Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the Execution of Miss Cavell at Brussels.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Saint John's College, Oxford, on 2nd July 1915 (and sealed on 5th July 1915) under the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of Saint John's College, Oxford, on 2nd July 1915 (and sealed on 5th July 1915) under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, amending Statute XVII of the Statutes of the College by adding after Clause 9 thereof a new Clause numbered 10.

Copy of Four Orders in Council, dated 14th October 1915, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 14th October 1915, under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, entitled the Eastern African Protectorates (Appeal to Privy Council) Amendment Order in Council (No. 2), 1915.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 14th October 1915, under the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, constituting the Dockyard Ports of Plymouth and Devonport, and repealing the Orders in Council dated 11th October 1912 and 9th February 1914.

Copy of Two Orders in Council, dated the 14th October 1915, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of London (portion south of the River Thames).

County of Worcester (Urban District of Lye and Wollescote).

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the Foreshores, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th October 1915, directing the application of moneys received by the Board of Trade, in the year ended 31st March 1915, 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.

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 London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Bill, County Council (Tramways and Improvements) 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 12.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 2, after the word "Ireland," to insert the words "except on re-import from the Channel Islands or Isle of Man."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That those words there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, to leave out the words "motor cars, including motor bicycles and motor tricycles."— (Sir Alfred Mond.)

Question put, That the words "motor cars" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Gulland, | Yeas, | Mr. Llewelyn Williams; | 36.

Tellers for the | Lord Edmund Talbot: | 679.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, to leave out the words "including motor bicycles and motor tricycles."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Gulland, | Yeas, | Lord Edmund Talbot: | 162.

Tellers for the | Mr. Hoyle, | Mr. Llewelyn Williams: | 36.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, to leave out from the beginning of 1. to the word "musical," in l. 8,—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 7, to leave out the words "thirty-three and one-third," in order to insert the word "fifteen."—(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. 6, to leave out from the beginning of 1. to the word "accessories," in l. 11.—(Sir Tudor Walters.)
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 28, to leave out the words “or for military or naval purposes.”—(Mr. Llewelyn Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 28, after the words “ambulances,” to insert the words “or fire-engines, fire-escapes, or similar appliances utilised for the extinction of fires.”—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 28, to leave out from the word “in,” in l. 28,—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 28, to leave out from the second word “or” to the word “in,” in l. 28,—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 30, to leave out the words “which are so proved to be intended to be.”—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 32, to leave out from the word “section” to the end of p. 8, l. 6.—(Mr. Llewelyn Williams.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 30, to leave out the words “which are so proved to be intended to be.”—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

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Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

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Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 30, to leave out the words “which are so proved to be intended to be.”—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 32, to leave out from the word “section” to the end of p. 8, l. 6.—(Mr. Llewelyn Williams.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 30, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the first word "as," in l. 33, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 33, to leave out the first word "as."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the word "as" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—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, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Postal and Telegraph Rates (Statutory Limits) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant October, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Bill be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) 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 Ulster Canal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Thirty-first of the Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of September last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of September last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration this day.

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.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Resolved, That the Statement of the estimated Greenwich Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital, and of Travers' Foundation for the year 1915-16 be approved.—(Dr. Macnamara.)

And it being after half-past Eleven of Adjournment, the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 106.]

Thursday, 21st October 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

THE HOUSE, pursuant to the Order of the London County Council, put the Bill to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London County Council (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, pursuant to the Order of the London County Council, put the Bill to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London County Council (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 Order of the day being read, for taking London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.
Orders, That the Bill be now read the third
time. — The Bill was accordingly read the third
time and passed.

Orders, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to
the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill was, Clubs
according to Order, read a second time.

Orders, That the Bill be committed to a
Committee of the whole House for Tuesday
next.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Naval and
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed
upon the 14th day of this instant October, Bill,
That the Lords' Amendments to the Naval and
Military War Pensions, &c. Bill be now taken
into consideration;

And the Question being again proposed —
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put ;

Orders, That the Lords' Amendments be
now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take
into consideration the said Lords' Amendments.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 1, l. 10, leave
out from ("a") to ("consisting"), in l. 12, and
insert ("Board to be called 'the War Allowances
Board,' and hereinafter referred to as 'the
Board'""); 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. Hayes
Fisher);

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

Tellers for the [Mr. Goldstone,
Yea,] Lord Edmund Talbot:} } 84.
Tellers for the [Mr. Goldstone,  
No, Sir Charles Nicholson:} } 21.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as
far as the Amendment in p. 2, after l. 7, being
read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, after l. 7,
insert ("two shall be appointed by the Soldiers'
and Sailors' Families Association"), the next
Amendment, being read a second time, was
got to.

Then consequential Amendments were made
to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by leaving out the
words "twenty-five," and in l. 14, by leaving
out the words "twenty-five," and inserting the
words "twenty-seven," instead thereof.—(Mr.
Hayes Fisher).

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being put, That this House doth disagree with
the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Hayes
Fisher);

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Board,' and hereinafter referred to as 'the
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words "twenty-seven," instead thereof.—(Mr.
Hayes Fisher).

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as
far as the Amendment in p. 2, after l. 7, being
read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, l. 24, leave
out (" and "), the next Amendment, being read
a second time, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as
far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 24, being read a
second time, were disagreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the
Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That
the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Orders, That the Bill, as amended in the
Committee, be now taken into consideration ;—
The House accordingly proceeded to take the
Bill into consideration.

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The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 1, after ("may"), insert ("with the consent of the Treasury appoint and "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 5, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 6, leave out ("Statutory Committee"), and insert ("Board"), 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. 16, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 16, after ("county"), insert ("or"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 17, leave out ("Statutory Committee"), and insert ("Board"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 4, after subsection (3), being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, after subsection (3), insert the following new subsections:

(4) A scheme regulating the constitution of any such local committee or district committee as aforesaid shall provide for the substantial representation on the local or district committee of persons who have within the area, either as members of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association, or the Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society, or otherwise, been performing functions similar to those to be performed by local committees under this Act.

(5) For facilitating the preparation of such schemes as aforesaid the Board shall, as soon as practicable, prepare and issue forms of model schemes.

(6) A local committee or district committee may also appoint sub-committees, either for any special purposes or for any special parts of their area, and any such committee may consist either wholly or partly of members of the local or district committee; and in particular may appoint a special committee which shall include representatives of employers and of labour for the care of disabled officers and men.

(7) Any two or more local committees may combine together for the joint exercise of any of their powers and duties under this Act, and may for that purpose appoint a joint committee, and may agree as to the proportions in which the several local committees represented on the joint committee are to contribute towards the expenses of such joint committee.

The said Lords' Amendment was divided.

And the remaining parts of the Lords' Amendment were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 6, leave out ("Statutory Committee"), and insert ("Board"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 4, l. 18, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 18, leave out ("Statutory Committee"), and insert ("Board"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 27, leave out ("committee"), and insert ("Board"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, after l. 35, insert the following new paragraph:—

("e) out of funds at their disposal, to make advances on account of pensions or grants or special allowances due to any person out of public funds during any interval before the payment thereof actually commences, or during which the payment thereof has been accidentally interrupted", the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 30, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 30, after subsection (2), insert the following new subsections:

(3) For the purpose of making provision for the care of disabled officers and men, the Board shall appoint a special sub-committee which shall include representatives of employers and of labour:

(4) The Paymaster General shall be the treasurer of the Board, and he shall keep such accounts on behalf of the Board as the Treasury may from time to time direct, and the accounts of the receipts and expenditure of the Board shall be audited in such manner and by such persons as the Treasury may from time to time direct, the next Amendment, being read a second time;

The said Lords' Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as relates to inserting new subsection (5) was amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the word "Board," and inserting the words "Statutory Committee," instead thereof—(Mr. Hayes Fisher)—and, as amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, l. 37 and 38, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 37 and 38, leave out ("which shall be included in the annual report made by the corporation"), 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. 6, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 6, leave out ("War Office"), and insert ("Army Council"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 7, leave out ("Statutory Committee"), and insert ("Board"),
the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 6, l. 10, leave out (“Statutory Committee shall”), and insert (“Board may”), the next Amendment, being read a second time:

The said Lords’ Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords’ Amendment as relates to leaving out the words “Statutory Committee,” and inserting the word “Board,” instead thereof—(Mr. Hayes Fisher)—was disagreed to.

So much of the Lords’ Amendment as relates to leaving out the word “shall,” and inserting the word “may,” instead thereof—(Mr. Hayes Fisher)—was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 6, after l. 34, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 6, after l. 34, insert as a new paragraph:—

("(e) out of funds at their disposal, to make
advances on account of pensions or grants or separation allowances due to any persons out of public funds during any interval before the payment thereof actually commences, or during which the payment thereof has been accidentally interrupted”), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 6, Is. 35 and 36, leave out paragraph (e), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 6, l. 37, after (“provision”), insert (“subject to the approval of the Board”), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, by leaving out the word “Board,” and inserting the words “Statutory Committee,” instead thereof—(Mr. Hayes Fisher)—and, as amended, was agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 6, after l. 39, insert as a new paragraph:—

("(g) out of funds at their disposal, to make
contributions towards any such purposes as aforesaid"),

the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment in p. 7, leave out Clause 5, and insert Clause A and Clause B:—

("A. Notwithstanding anything in this Act
contained, if in any area functions similar to
those entrusted to a local committee are at the
time of the passing of this Act being performed
by the Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Families Association
or other organisation, such association or other
organisation may, if the local committee so desire,
and so far as the local committee may direct,
discharge within such area the functions of the
local committee during the continuance of the
present war, provided such association or other
organisation shall so long continue to perform
within such area such functions to the satis-
faction of the local committee.

B. If any person, with a view to obtaining
any such pension or grant or allowance as
aforesaid, makes or uses, or has before the
passing of this Act made or used, any declara-
tion, application, or other written statement
knowing the same to be false, he shall be guilty
of an offence, and shall be liable on conviction
under the Summary Jurisdiction Acts to a fine
not exceeding five pounds; and for the purpose
of proceedings in respect of any such offence
the offence shall be deemed to have been com-
mitted either at the place where it was actually
committed or at the place where the offender
may happen to be, and any declaration on an
appropriate official form bearing a stamp pur-
porting to be the office stamp of the Admiralty
or Army Council, or any sub-department thereof,
with a date subsequent to that on which the
declaration purports to have been signed, shall
be evidence that the declaration has been used
with such view as aforesaid, unless the contrary
is proved”), the next Amendment, being read a second time:

The said Lords’ Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords’ Amendment as relates to the leaving out of Clause 5, and inserting new Clause A, was disagreed to.

So much of the Lords’ Amendment as relates to the inserting new Clause B was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords’ Amendments, being read a second time, were disagreed 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 nominated of Sir
William Ryland Advins, Mr. Hayes Fisher,
Sir Charles Nicholls, Mr. Jonathan Samuel, and
Colonel Vase.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of
the Committee; and they are to withdraw immedi-
ately—(Mr. Hayes Fisher.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of
Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm
the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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

The Ulster Canal Bill was, according to Order, Under Canal
Bill.

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
their Lordships to the Bill, and counsel and 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. Attorney General for Ire-
land.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ways and
into further consideration the Thirty-first of the Means (21st
September) Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of Septem-
ber last, were reported from the Committee of
Ways and Means of the 21st day of September last:

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday
next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Mr. Hayes Fisher 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 Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. 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. 1, l. 10, for the following Reason:—Because it is intended that the new body shall be a voluntary body and not a Government authority, and therefore it is expedient that it should be closely associated with the voluntary body established by Parliament to deal with kindred matters.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 1, l. 15, for the following Reason:—Because it is inexpedient to take away representatives from the Local Government Board and other bodies, and to give them to the Crown.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 1, for the following Reason:—Because, owing to the relations which will exist between the new body and local authorities and approved societies in which disabled men are insured, it is expedient that the Local Government Board and the National Health Commissioners should be represented upon the body.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 20, and to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 21, 22, 23; to one of the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 24; to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 26, 29, 31, 32, 33; to one of the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 3, l. 1; and to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 3, l. 5, 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 25, 31, 36, 40; and to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 4, l. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40; for the following Reason:—Because they are consequential on the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 1, l. 10.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 7, l. 27 and 28, for the following Reason:—Because it is more convenient that a Bill dealing mainly with supplementary assistance rather than with primary assistance rather than with primary

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments); That the Clerk do carry the same. — (Mr. Hayes Fisher.)

Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

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

The Dundee Corporation 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.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1912.

Copies of Orders under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Bradford.

Urban District of Fleetwood (two).

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, Land Registry, dated the 8th day of June last, for a Return relative to the Land Registry.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing, for the year ended 31st March 1915, the financial position in respect of each Land Scheme on Estates taken over by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland from the Congested Districts Board.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Food Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to consider the Production of Food in England and Wales.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1913.

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


Copy of Regulations for the Training of Teachers for Secondary Schools (in force from 1st August 1915).
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of proceedings by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Diseases of Animals Acts, for the year 1914.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Scheme for Allowances to Dependents of deceased Sailors and Soldiers serving in the Navy or Army, under the Sailors' and Soldiers' Dependents Acts.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 865 (Cyprus, Report for 1914-15) and 866 (Swaziland, Report for 1914-15).

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Clause No. 16 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 17 to No. 19 agreed to.

Clause No. 20 (Reduction of exemption and abatements).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 20, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Dillon.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "five," in l. 29, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 29, to leave out from the word " exceed " to the word "six," in l. 32.—(Mr. James M'Don.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 21 (Charge of Schedule B tax).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 17, after the word "effect," to insert the words "except in the case of woodlands."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 22 agreed to.

Clause No. 23 (Extension of relief in respect of children).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 35, after the word "section," to insert the words "sixty-eighth of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910 (which gives relief from income tax in respect of children), and section."—(Mr. Jowett.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 37, to leave out the words "twenty-five," in order to insert the word "thirty."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That the words "twenty-five" stand part of the Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 38, at the end, to add the words "and for the purposes of this section children dependent on the taxpayer and living under the same roof shall be reckoned as if they were the taxpayer's own children."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 24 (Quarterly assessment and charge of employed persons).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 18, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Rendel.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 25 (Supplemental provisions as to quarterly assessment).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 20, to leave out subsection (1).—(Sir John Harwood-Ban.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "may," in l. 24, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 21, to leave out subsection (4).—(Sir Frederick Bauldry.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and," in l. 24, stand part of the Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 26 agreed to.

Clause No. 27 disagreed to.

Clauses No. 28 and No. 29 agreed to.

Clause No. 30 (Deductions in respect of Schedule A tax in Scotland).

Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 30, to leave out the words "at the commencement of that period," in order to insert the words "during the preceding financial year ending fifth April."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 31 (Computation of profits in relation to excess profits duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 35, to leave out the words "in any subsequent year," in order to insert the words "in the year in which the excess profits are included in the return of profits, and such excess profits upon which excess duty is paid or chargeable shall not be included in any returns for assessment of income tax or super tax."—(Sir John Harwood-Ban.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 32 and No. 33 agreed to.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Montagu.), 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
Committee on the Clubs (Temporary Provisions)
Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

Defence of the Realm
(Evidence) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm
(Evidence) Bill ;
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 Supply ;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supplemental Supply.

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 Finance (No. 3) Bill.

Indictments Bill [Lords].

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

Publications and Debates Reports.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the
Select Committee on Publications and Debates
Reports to inquire into and report on the
position, duties, and remuneration of the Short-
hand Writer to this House, and of his staff.—
(Mr. Gulland.)

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the
Order of the House of the 3rd day of February
last, proposed the Question, That this House do
now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till eighteen minutes before
Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-
morrow.

[No. 108.]

Wednesday, 27th October 1915.

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

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of several Acts of Parliament,—
Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects
and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P.
263 and 264, declaring the respective areas
described in the Schedules thereto to be infected
with Wart Disease, and infected areas for
the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes
(Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by Colonial
His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial
Reports, Nos. 867 (Somaliland, Report for
1914-15) and 868 (British Honduras, Report for
1914).

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into
a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 34 (Charge of excess profits
duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 15, to leave
out the words "profits arising from," in order to
insert the words "actual profits earned in respect
of the carrying on of."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That the word "profits" stand part of
the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 15,
after the word " trade," to insert the words
"engaged in the manufacture or provision of
material used in the war."—(Mr. Leigh.)

Question proposed, That those words be there
inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 17,
to leave out the word "ended," in order to insert
the word "commenced."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question put, That the word "ended" stand part
of the Clause,

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland,
Yes, 189.
]

Tellers for the [Mr. John Henderson,

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 18,
to leave out the word "July," in order to insert
the word "August."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the word "July" stand part of
the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 23,
at the end, to insert the words "unless it can be
proved that such excess profit was earned prior
to the first day of August, nineteen hundred
and fourteen."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question, That those words be there inserted,
put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 5,
leave out from the word " paid " to the end of
the Clause, in order to insert the words "or
payable by him during such two or more succes-
sive accounting periods accord with his profits or
losses during such successive periods in such
manner that duty shall, in the result, be paid
only upon the average rate of excess profits
calculated over the whole of such successive
accounting periods."—(Mr. Leslie Scott.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed
to be left out stand part of the Clause :—
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That
the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave
to sit again—(Mr. Montagu.)—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 Committee on the Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

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

Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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.

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.

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

Indictments Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords.];

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

Ulster Canal Bill.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the 21st day of this instant October, in relation to the Second Reading and Committal of the Ulster Canal Bill, be null and void, and that the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.—(Mr. Galland.)

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 109.]

Thursday, 28th October 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance (Joint Committee) provisional regulations, dated 26th October 1915, made by the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Injuries in War Compensation) Act to enable persons during the continuance of the War, and for a period of two years thereafter, to be appointed or admitted to the Indian Civil Service without examination; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. the House. Lloyd George.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to clubs to be closed during specified hours).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, at the end, to insert the words—

“(2) Any licence granted under the proviso to subsection (1) of this section may be varied or revoked, and if it is revoked the club to which it related shall cease to be exempted from the provisions of the order.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, after the first word “of,” to insert the words “or non-compliance with.”—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, after the word “conviction,” to insert the words “to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or”.—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Prohibition against use of clubs by prostitutes and gamblers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23, after the word “clubs,” to insert the words “whether in an area in respect of which an order has been made under section one of this Act or not.”—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23, to leave out the word “knowingly.”—(Mr. King.)

Question, That the word “knowingly” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, after the word “prostitutes,” to insert the words “or of women or girls of known immoral character.”—(Mr. King.)

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 followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Postal and Telegraph Rates (Statutory Limits) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to enable persons during the continuance of the War, and for a period of two years thereafter, to be appointed or admitted to the Indian Civil Service without examination; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this sitting of day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. the House. Lloyd George.)
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:

3. London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1915.

The proceeding was resumed on the Amendment proposed to the Question, That the Ulster Canal 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.”

And the Question being again 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 again proposed:

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lords Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill (Evidence) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords]; Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ordered the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Seven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
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[No. 110.]

Tuesday, 2nd November 1915.

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 London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill (suspended), 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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended), 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.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Exchange of Notes respecting the accession of Japan to the Declaration of 5th September 1914, between the United Kingdom and Japan, and for the purpose of bringing the said notes, &c., into consideration.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of the Telegram (Inland Written Telegram) Regulations, 1915, dated 30th October 1915.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords. Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords.

They beg to inform the House that they agree to the Amendments made by this House to their Amendments, and to the Constitution Amendments made by this House to the Bill.

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 Abstract of the General Annual Account of the Bridlington Piers and Harbour for the year ending 26th July 1915.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Monsieur Cambon, the French Ambassador, a telegram from the Chairman and Members of the Committee of Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies, relative to the execution of Miss Cavell, a translation of which he read to the House, as follows:

The Chairman and Members of the Committee of Foreign Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies, deeply moved by the tragic fate of Miss Cavell, desire to offer to the Members of the House of Commons an expression of the respect and admiration which they feel for this noble heroine of British patriotism. They beg the House of Commons to accept, on behalf of themselves and all their colleagues, this their message of grief and indignation.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c., Bill to which this House has disagreed, and they agree to the Amendments made by this House to their Amendments, and to the consequential Amendments made by this House to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, pursuant to the Standing Order, for the adjournment of the House. Adjournment of the House.

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

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn. (The Prime Minister.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for adjournment of the House was agreed to, with Adjournment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of the Telegraph (Inland Written Telegram) Regulations, 1915, dated 30th October 1915.

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

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill:

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

Indictments Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

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

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[No. 111.]

Wednesday, 3rd November 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Lancaster County (South East Lancashire) (Heywood Division) Writ.

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 Lancaster, South East Lancashire (Heywood Division), in the room of Captain Harold Thomas Cawley, killed in action.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Cardiff Borough Writ.

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 Cardiff, in the room of Lieutenant Colonel Ninian Edward Crichton-Stuart (commonly called Lord Ninian Crichton-Stuart), killed in action.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Middlesex County (Uxbridge Division) Writ.

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 Middlesex (Uxbridge Division), in the room of Lieutenant the Honourable Charles Thomas Mills, killed in action.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Treaty Series (No. 11, 1915)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France, concerning the Exchange of Money Orders between the British and French Possessions and Protectorates in West Africa. Signed at London, 22nd September 1915.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Income Tax.

Taxation of Non-Residents.

1. Resolved, (1) That it is expedient to amend section forty-one of the Income Tax Act, 1842, so as to make non-resident persons chargeable to Income Tax in the name of any branch or manager as well as in the name of any factor, agent, or receiver, and to make them so chargeable although the branch factor, agent, receiver, or manager may not have the receipt of the profits or gains of the non-resident; and so as to make the non-resident person chargeable in the name of the branch factor, agent, receiver, or manager in respect of any of the profits or gains of the non-resident person arising, whether directly or indirectly through or from the branch factorship, agency, receivership, or management.

(2) That it is expedient that a non-resident person carrying on business with a resident person should be chargeable to Income Tax in the name of the resident person as if the resident person were an agent of the non-resident person in cases where it appears that, owing to the close connection between the resident person and the non-resident person, or otherwise, the course of business between those persons can be so arranged, and is so arranged, that the business done by the resident in pursuance of his connection with the non resident produces to the resident either no profits, or less than the ordinary profits which might be expected to arise from that business.

(3) That in charging a non-resident person to Income Tax in respect of any profits or gains, those profits or gains may, where it appears that the true amount thereof cannot be readily ascertained, be taken to be a percentage of the profits, or gains of the non-resident person arising, whether directly or indirectly through or from the branch factorship, agency, receivership, or management.

Mineral Rights Duty.

2. Resolved, That where the amount payable to any person as rent (including royalties) in respect of the right to work minerals or of any mineral wayleaves varies according to the price of the minerals, and the amount so payable in respect of any working year ending on any date after the commencement of the present war exceeds the pre-war standard of that rent, there shall be paid as an addition to the mineral rights duty payable by that person an amount not exceeding fifty per cent. of the excess.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 35 (Trades and businesses to which excess profits duty applies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 8, after the word "trades," to insert the words "manufactures, concerns in the nature of trade."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 10, to leave out the words "or carried on."—(Mr. Petoe.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 11, to leave out from the word "Kingdom" to the end of the Clause.—(Mr. Shirley Benn.)

Question proposed, That the word "excepting" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 12, after the word "husbandry," to insert the words "including fruit and vegetable culture."—(Mr. Petoe.)

Question, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words "the sale or distribution of agricultural products and."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 12, at the end, to insert the word "shipowning."—(Mr. Houston.)

Question, That the word "shipowning" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words "insurance and underwriting."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 13, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Sir Joseph Walton.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Galland,  | 7. | 7. | 7. | 7.
Tellers for the | Lord Edmund Talbot,  | 46. | 46. | 46. | 46.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 14, to leave out paragraph (e).—(Mr. Holt.)

Question, That the words "any profession" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 14, after the word "profession," to insert the words "or business."—(Mr. Pownall.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words—

"(d) any trade or business the operations of which are wholly carried on in the British Dominions or Colonies, or in India, the Legislature of which has imposed or may impose a tax on the excess profits of such trade or business."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Harold Smith,  | 132. | 132. | 132. | 132.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words—

"(d) universities, colleges, and public schools."—(Mr. Evelyn Cecil.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words—

"(d) any railway, tramway, gas, electric light, or other company working under any special Act of Parliament."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That those words be there inserted:

Proposed Amendment amended, by leaving out the word "municipal," and inserting the word "public."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question, That the proposed words, as amended, be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 19, after the word "person," to insert the words "not being a director of a company or an employee."—(Sir Alexander Henderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 19, after the word "commissions," to insert the words "(other than commissions on any class of insurance)."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted:

Proposed Amendment amended, by leaving out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 19, after the word "business," to insert the words "in the nature of a trade or business carried on by municipal authorities."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words be there inserted:

Proposed Amendment amended, by leaving out stand part of the Clause.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),

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 the Second Reading of the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].

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 28th day of October last, That the Ulster Canal Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 1st November 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (England and Wales), 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without an Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill, with Amendments; to the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill, with Amendments; and to the Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Clubs (Temporary Provisions) Bill (Temporary Provisions) Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Tennant presented a Bill to provide for the prolongation of Military Service during the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Walter Ren reported from the Committee of Ways and Means several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

Income Tax.

Taxation of Non-Residents.

1.—(1) That it is expedient to amend section forty-one of the Income Tax Act, 1842, so as to make non-resident persons chargeable to Income Tax in the name of any branch or manager as well as in the name of any factor, agent, or receiver, and to make them so chargeable although the branch factor, agent, receiver, or manager may not have the receipt of the profits or gains of the non-resident; and so as to make the non-resident person chargeable in the name of the branch factor, agent, receiver, or manager in respect of any of the profits or gains of the non-resident person arising, whether directly or indirectly, through or from the branch factorship, agency, receivership, or management.

(2) That it is expedient that a non-resident person carrying on business with a resident person should be chargeable to Income Tax in the name of the resident person as if the resident person were an agent of the non-resident person in cases where it appears that, owing to the close connection between the resident person and the non-resident person, or otherwise, the course of business between those persons can be so arranged, and is so arranged, that the business done by the resident in pursuance of his connection with the non-resident produces to the resident either no profits, or less than the ordinary profits which might be expected to arise from that business.
(3) That in charging a non-resident person to Income Tax in respect of any profits or gains, those profits or gains may, where it appears that the true amount thereof cannot be readily ascertained, be taken to be a percentage of the business carried on by the non-resident person.

Mineral Rights Duty.

2. That where the amount payable to any person as rent (including royalties) in respect of the right to work minerals or of any mineral wayleaves varies according to the price of the minerals, and the amount so payable in respect of any working year ending on any date after the commencement of the present war exceeds the pre-war standard of that rent, there shall be paid as an addition to the mineral rights duty payable by that person an amount not exceeding fifty per cent of the excess.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolutions.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(Provisions as to celluloid and cinematograph film in celluloid stores) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

A Clause (Conditions and requirements not to be extended except under certain circumstances) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Regulations as to celluloid and cinematograph film in celluloid stores) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then 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.

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 Corporation (Celluloid) Bill (suspended) as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Provisions as to celluloid stores) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Provisions as to certain existing celluloid factories and celluloid stores) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (As to application of Police Acts) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then 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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Postponed proceeding on Amendment to Finance Bill.

Amendment proposed on consideration of (No. 3) Bill, Clause No. 36 resumed.

Question, That the word “six” stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 5, after the word “business,” to insert the words “an equitable provision in respect of the personal services of the proprietor or proprietors.”

Question, That those words be there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 6, at the end, to insert the words “Provided that where the trade or business has not for a period of years paid six per cent. in the case of a company, and seven per cent. in the case of any other trade or business the said capital the standard of profits shall be taken at such sum as is reasonable.”

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Ordered, That Mr. Godfrey Collins, Major Publication
Guest, Mr. Ingledy, Captain William Redmond
and Mr. Wheler be discharged from the Select
Committee on Publications and Debates Reports.

Ordered, That Mr. Doris, Mr. Grant, Mr.
Butler Lloyd, Mr. Rach, and Mr. MacCallum
Scott be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Gul-
land.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Clubs
take into consideration the Amendments made
by the Lords to the Clubs (Temporary Pro-
visions) 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
has agreed to the Amendments made by their
Lordsships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Finance
into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 36 (Determination of profits and pre-war standard).

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 31,
after the word "of," to insert the word "three."

—(Mr. Answ Bryce.)

Question, That the word "three" be there
inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 31,
after the word "Referees," to insert the words
"composed chiefly of business men."—(Mr.
Shirley Bean.)

Question proposed, That those words be there
inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 37 (Special provisions as to pre-
war standard of profits).

Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 36, to leave
out from the word "Where" to the end of sub-
section (1), in order to insert the words "more
capital has been employed in the accounting
period than the average amount of capital
employed during the pre-war trade years
selected for arriving at the pre-war standard
of profits, such deduction shall be made from
the profits of the accounting period as, in the
opinion of the Commissioners, shall be fairly
attributable to the employment of such addi-
tional capital."—(Mr. Leslie Scott.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed
to be left out, to the word "at," in l. 39, stand
part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave,
withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 2,
at the end, to insert the words "Provided that
the profits of the accounting period may be
charged with any new expenditure of a capital
nature for the purpose of the extension and
development of the trade or business, where
there is a probability that such expenditure
will cease to be remunerative at the close of
the war."—(Sir J. D. Ries.)

Question, That those words be there inserted,
put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 10,
at the end, to insert the words "Provided that
such capital has not been withdrawn for the
payment of dividend, creation of reserve fund,
Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 11, to leave out from the word "business" to the word "has," in l. 13.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "three," in l. 12, stand part of the Clause : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 38 (Reference to the Board of Referees as to increase of percentages).

Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 19, to leave out the words "a prima facie case is made out," in order to insert the words "an application is made."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words:

"(2) For an alteration in the rate of deduction in respect of new capital employed in the accounting period, or in the rate of addition in respect of capital withdrawn during the accounting period under section thirty-seven."

—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 25, after the word "materials," to insert the words "war equipment or provisions." —(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 5, after the words last inserted, to insert the words:

"If any person in Ireland shall think himself aggrieved by the decision or determination of the Board of Referees appointed for the purposes of this Part of this Act, it shall be lawful for such person, on giving notice in writing to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue within ten days after such decision or determination, to require the case to be reheard by the assistant barrister or county court judge for the county or riding where such person shall have been assessed; or, in case such person shall have been assessed in the county of Dublin, by the chairman of the sessions of the peace for that county; or, in case such person shall have been assessed in the cities of Dublin, Belfast, or Cork, by the respective recorders of the aforesaid cities; and such assistant barrister, county court judge, or recorder shall rehear and determine such appeal, and his determination thereon shall be final and conclusive." —(Mr. Patrick Macdon.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 39 (Returns for purpose of Part III.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 12, to leave out from the word "years" to the end of subsection (1).—(Sir John Harwood-Banner.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 13, stand part of the Clause : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 16, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "ten," in l. 37, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 35, at the end, to insert the words "increased expenditure under any head shall be submitted for the consideration of the Commissioners, and such portion of it as appears to them either likely or intended to reduce profits temporarily and increase them ultimately shall be allowed by them only in so far as appears equitable, notwithstanding that no element of the fictitious or artificial is involved." —(Mr. Currie.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 40 (Supplemental provisions as to excess profits duty).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 23, to leave out is. 18 and 19.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 23, l. 33, after the word "section," to insert the words "and in the case of a reference to the Board of Referees under section thirty-eight, subsection (2), hereto." —(Mr. Pollock.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 41 (Suspension of Road Improvement Grant).

Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 19, to leave out from the word "shall" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "he reduced to the sum of three hundred thousand pounds per annum, and this shall be without prejudice to any payments already made." —(Mr. Moltono.)

Question, That the word "cease" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 42 and No. 43 agreed to.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer), 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. Chancellors of the Exchequer.)

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Service Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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 Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords];
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 25th day of October last, That the Ulster Canal 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 Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee 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 the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That for the remainder of the Session, whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to the following Tuesday, Members desiring to give notice of new Clauses and Amendments to Bills may send such Notices to the Clerks at the Table, and any such Notices received by them before Five of the clock on a Friday or Monday shall be printed and circulated with the Votes—(Mr. Walter Rea)—And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. James Hope)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Part III. of the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as amended in Committee.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command, the Supplementary Estimate of the amount required to be voted towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the current year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by the Appropriation Acts for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Foodstuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.
Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Pexton presented a Bill to suspend Patents and Designs Act, 1907, during the continuance of the present war and for a period of six months thereafter: 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 Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(The Prime Minister):—

A Message was delivered by Captain Thomas Royal Assent, Dacres Butler, 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 having 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 Lords, 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:


Adjourned.

The Question was again proposed, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 115.]
Thursday, 11th November 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to consider the conditions of Clerical and Commercial Employment, with a view to advising what steps should be taken, by the employment of women or otherwise, to replace men withdrawn for service in the military forces.

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Licence granted to Joshua Waldron, a Convict, to which is annexed a condition other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1884.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Order, dated 5th November, 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the County Borough of East Ham (Insurance Committee) Amendment Order, 1915.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1914, Volume XLIX. Part III. Prices and Supplies of Corn, Live Stock, and other Agricultural Produce in England and Wales.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to inquire into the circumstances connected with the alleged recent increases in the rental of Small Dwelling-houses in Industrial Districts in Scotland.

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

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915–16.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £400,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country; for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Food-stuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.—(Mr. Montagu.)

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 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £400,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Montagu.)

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 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.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) 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 Act (Partial Suspension) 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 Finance (No. 3) Bill ;
Ordered, That the House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Service 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 October last, That the Ulster Canal 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 Defence of the Realm (Evidence) Bill ;
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 Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords] ;
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 9th day of this instant November, That for the remainder of the Session, whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to the following Tuesday, Members desiring to give notice of new Clauses and Amendments to Bills may send such Notices to the Clerks at the Table, and any such Notices received by them before Five of the clock on a Friday or Monday shall be printed and circulated with the Votes ;

And the Question being again proposed :— The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

[No. 116.]

Monday, 15th November 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

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 Tyldesley, in the room of James Keir Hardie, Esquire, deceased. (Mr. Goldstone.)

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Customs and Excise Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and Excise, for the year ended 31st March 1915, being the Fifty-ninth Report relating to the Customs and the Fifty-eighth Report relating to the Excise.

Copy of Fifty-eighth Report of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, for the year ended 31st March 1915.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the Bank of directions of several Acts of Parliament,—England, Copy of Return of the amount of Bank of England Notes issued more than forty years and outstanding on 27th October 1915, which have been written off.

Copy of Order, dated 28th October 1915, National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Benefits) Order (Scotland), 1915. No. 380.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) be printed.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1912. Copies of Orders made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Benefits) Order (Scotland), 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) be printed.

Copy of Order made by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authorities under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:
—Borough of Stoke-on-Trent. County of Cumberland (Cockermouth Urban District).

Copy of Order made by the Council of the Shops Act, Urban District of Whitchurch, and confirmed, 1912, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Shops Act, 1912.

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

Mr. Runceiman presented, by His Majesty's Railway Command,—Copy of Summary 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 1915; together with Reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers upon certain Accidents which were inquired into:

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

Irish Land Commission.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Index to Estates comprised in Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Acts, 1903 to 1909, during the year 1914.

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

Education (Scotland).

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th November 1915, made by the Scotch Education Department, as to Grants to School Boards in respect of the Medical Treatment of Necessitous School Children for the year 1916.

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

Army, 1915-16 (Vote 10, Works and Buildings) No. 381.

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of proposals for Expenditure out of the Vote of Credit on New Works, &c., of a permanent character amounting to £2,000 and upwards for the year ending 31st March 1916.

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


Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant November a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £400,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending the 31st day of March 1916 for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduct of Naval and Military Operations; for all measures which may be taken for the security of the country: for assisting the Food Supply, and promoting the continuance of Trade, Industry, Business, and Communications, whether by means of insurance or indemnity against risk, the financing of the purchase and resale of Food-stuffs and materials, or otherwise; for relief of Distress; and generally for all Expenses, beyond those provided for in the ordinary Grants of Parliament, arising out of the existence of a state of War.

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:—

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Speaker, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

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

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant November a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That a further making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916, the sum of £400,000,000 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 Consolidated Fund 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 sixteen, 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; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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 Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Act (Partial Suspension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Ulster Canal Bill upon the 28th day of October last; That the Ulster Canal 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 Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords]; Bill [Lords.] Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Adjournment.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 117.]

Tuesday, 16th November 1915.

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

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 889 (British Solomon Islands, Report for 1914-15).

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to consider the conditions of Retail Trade which can best secure that the further enlistment of men, or their employment in other national services, may not interfere with the operations of that trade.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, No. 9579, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 11th November 1915, postponing the operation of the Two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 25th November 1915.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 10th November 1915, made under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-third Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, with Appendices, for the year ending 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Herbert Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Inland Post Amendment (No. 16) Warrant, 1915, dated 30th October 1915.

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

New Members sworn.

Albert Holden Illingworth, Esquire, Member for the County of Lancaster (South East) (Heywood Division), was sworn.

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James Herbert Cory, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Cardiff, was sworn.

Lieutenant Arthur Robert Mills (commonly called the Honourable Arthur Robert Mills), Member for the County of Middlesex (Uxbridge Division), was sworn.

Mr. McKinnon Wood, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to provide for the regulation of Street Collections in Burghs in Scotland; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 157.

The Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Consolidated (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill:

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 Supply:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Civil Second Reading of the Indian Civil Service Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Act (Partial Suspension) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ulster Canal the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Bill, upon the 28th day of October last, That the Ulster Canal 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 Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

[No. 118.]

Wednesday, 17th November 1915.

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

PRAyERS.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 291 to 299, inclusive, declaring the areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Copy of Italian Decrees relative to Enemy Merchant Vessels, together with the Italian Naval Prize Regulations.

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

Mr. Russell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of 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 in 1914.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 15th November 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (No. 2), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th November 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations, 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th November 1915, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Compensation Agreements) Regulations, 1915.

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

The Right Honourable George Care, K.C., His Majesty's Solicitor General, Member for the County of Surrey (Kingston Division), was sworn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Schedules A and B 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 read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Income tax on securities representing a bank's subscription to war loan)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Allowance and repayment of duty in respect of motor spirit used by veterinary surgeons)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provisions with respect to the charge of income tax on non-residents, 5 & 6 Viet. c. 35)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in l. 4, after the word "persons," to insert the words "not residing in any dominion, colony, or dependency of the Crown, or within the territory of any of our present allies."—(Mr. Molteno.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 5, to leave out from the word "branch" to the end of paragraph (a).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 11, after the word "arising," to insert the words "from the sale or distribution of commodities within the United Kingdom."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 11, to leave out the words "whether directly or indirectly."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 27, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 38, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that for the purposes of this section of the Act the term 'business' shall not be held to apply to the sale or purchase of goods which are imported into this country and subsequently re-exported within the space of one year."—(Mr. Dennis.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Clause, as amended, added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Excess mineral rights duty) —(Mr. Peto)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 5, to leave out the word “amount,” in order to insert the words “total sum of money.”—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

Question, That the word “amount” stand part of the proposed Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Power of Treasury to issue securities free of taxation)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provision as to income tax to be charged on pay of sailors and soldiers)—(Mr. Peto)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Depreciation on shipping)—(Mr. Bigland)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Exempting executors, trustees, assignees, and others from the excess profits duty in certain cases)—(Mr. Pennefather)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Equalisation of tax on colonial investments)—(Mr. Hewson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Provisions to prevent excess profits duty from causing hardship in certain cases)—(Mr. Pennefather)—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 (Extension to estate duty of Death Duties (Killed in War) Act, 1914)—(Mr. Peto)—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 1.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—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, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply 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 Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Patents and Designs Act (Partial Suspension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Civil Service Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Ulster Canal Bill; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indictments Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 119.]
Thursday, 18th November 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

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 Cornwall (Mid or Saint Austell Division), in the room of Captain the Honourable Thomas Charles Reginald Agar-Robartes, died of wounds received in action.—(Mr. Galland.)

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 Saint Helens, in the room of Rigby Philip Watson Swift, Esquire, K.C., who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Recorder of the Borough of Wigan.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 870 (Tongan Islands Protectorate, Report for 1914-15).

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 780 (Tongan Islands Protectorate, Report for 1914-15).

Copy of Correspondence relative to the alleged ill-treatment of German Subjects captured in the Cameroons.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of First Report of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic) appointed under the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 3) Act, 1915.

Mr. Tennant also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment to the Regulations made under the Regimenal Debts Act, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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, intitled an Act to enable the services of Volunteers to be accepted in certain cases by His Majesty for purposes in connection with the present War, and to make provision in relation thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

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Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 780 (Tongan Islands Protectorate, Report for 1914-15).

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

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I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JAMES W. LOWTHER,
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indictments Bill [Lords].

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

Adjourned, whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.

[No. 120.]

Monday, 22nd November 1915.

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

Prayers.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, dated 13th November 1915, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Deposit Contributors' Benefits) Order, 1915.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th November 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefits) Regulations (Scotland), 1915 (No. 2).

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5524 to 5533.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventh Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to investigate and report on the subject of Explosions in Mines.

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

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Licence under the Penal Servitude Acts, granted to a Convict, discharging him from Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

Schedule 1.

Amendment proposed, in p. 27, l. 10, at the end, to insert the words—

"Drawback to be allowed to a brewer on imported sugar used in the brewing of beer for exportation, on shipment or deposit in bond under regulations to be made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise."—(Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedules 2 and 3 agreed to.

Schedule 4.

Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 3, to leave out the words "computed for," in order to insert the words "earned during."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 4, after the word "period," to insert the words "after deduction of such sums which are not divided as profits but employed in the business."—(Sir William Pearce.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment proposed, to leave out all the words after the word "such," in order to insert the words "percentage of the profits as has previously been placed to reserve."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 4, after the word "period," to insert the words "but in order to place yearly and half-yearly accounts as far as may be on the same footing, in determining the profits of a first accounting period, which is a yearly period commencing on or before the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fourteen, any person who proves from his books to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that part of the total profits in such yearly accounting period had been actually earned on transactions completed prior to the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fourteen, may deduct such so proved prior profits from the total profits of the first accounting period."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"3. A deduction shall be allowed from profits of the amount by which the cost of any buildings, machinery, vessels, plant, or equipment, whether ashore or afloat, acquired during the accounting period exceeds the value which such buildings, machinery, vessels, plant, or equipment would have cost during the years selected for computing the profits standard."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 13, to leave out from the beginning to the word "as," in l. 17, in order to insert the words "The Commissioners of Inland Revenue shall allow such deductions for wear and tear and depreciation—"
tion of plant, and for such plant as may be shown to be redundant after the war."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the word "No" stand part of the Schedule : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 16, to leave out from the word " Acts " to the end of l. 19.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 39, l. 20, to leave out the word "No."—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That the word "No" stand part of the Schedule : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words "but a deduction shall be allowed (if not otherwise allowed by means of the adoption of the principle of the Liquefied Tax Acts) for any sum which has been paid in respect of the profits on account of any excess profits duty or similar duty imposed in any country outside the United Kingdom."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted : Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 3, after the word "paid," to insert the words "or may be payable."—(Mr. Dennis.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment : Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 24, to leave out the word "not," in order to insert the words "be ascertained or calculated on the basis as in the last pre-war year, and no deduction in excess of the amount so ascertained shall be allowed."—(Sir Alexander Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the word "not" stand part of the Schedule : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 25, after the word "exceed," to insert the words "by an unreasonable amount."—(Mr. Longh.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 31, at the end, to insert the words—

"6. Where any company, either in its own name or that of a nominee, owns the whole of the ordinary capital of any other company carrying on the same trade or business, or so much of that capital as a single shareholder has legally own, the provisions of Part III. of this Act as to excess profits duty and the pre-war standard of profits shall apply as if that other company were a branch of the first-named company, and the profits of the two companies shall not be separately assessed."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted : Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, to leave out the words "the whole," in order to insert the words "a proportion exceeding ninety per cent."—(Mr. Lough.)
22nd November.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule be Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 33, after the words last inserted, to insert the words:—No sums covered in respect of bad or doubtful debts previously written off or written down shall be taken into account in estimating excess profits."—(Mr. Pennfather.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words:—

"3. Where it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in the case of any trade or business, that the three last pre-war trade years have been years of abnormal depression, any four of the last six pre-war trade years may be substituted for the purposes of the pre-war standard of profits for any two of the three last pre-war trade years.

The three last pre-war trade years shall not be considered as years of abnormal depression unless the average profits of those years have been at least thirty per cent. lower than the average profits of the preceding three years."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed Amendment amended, in l. 8, by leaving out the word "thirty," and inserting the word "twenty-five."—(Mr. Brady.)

Proposed words, as amended, there inserted.

Proposed Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 15, at the end, to insert the words:—Provided that the trade or business of two or more firms or companies has been amalgamated during the three pre-war trade years the pre-war standard of profits shall be based upon the pre-war standard of profits of the amalgamated firm or company."—(Mr. Long.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 24, at the end, to insert the words:—Provided, that where the trade or business of two or more firms or companies has been amalgamated during the three pre-war trade years the pre-war standard of profits of the individual firms or companies has been amalgamated during the three pre-war trade years the pre-war standard of profits shall be based upon the average profits of the preceding three years."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords]:—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on the Street Collections (Regulations) (Scotland) Bill:—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill:—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Ulster Canal Bill:—

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Provisions) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

Adjourned.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[No. 121.]

Tuesday, 23rd November 1915.

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

Prayers.

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 Devon (North Eastern or Tiverton Division), in the room of Lieutenant the Honourable William Lionel Charles Walrond, deceased.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) (Regulations), which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant November, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting Military Operations against German Possessions in the Western Pacific.

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

Mr. Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the Urban District of Abertillery, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Christ's College, Cambridge, on the 31st July 1915, repealing the existing Statutes of the College and substituting therefor new Statutes.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 18th November 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subscriptions and Donations) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Patents and Designs Act (Partial Suspension) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. McKinnon Wood, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to secure the better training of Midwives in Scotland, and to regulate their practice: And the same was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

Secretary Sir John Simon, supported by Mr. Evidence Bruce, Mr. Tennant, and Mr. Forster, presented a Bill to amend the Law of Evidence: And the same was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule 4.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 30, to leave out from the word "shall" to the end of the Schedule, in order to insert the words "be the paid-up capital of individuals, partners, or shareholders in companies (as the case may be), including reserves as shown by the capital account in the balance sheet of the concern."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 30, after the word "shall," to insert the words "be the excess of assets over liabilities other than liabilities to the proprietor or proprietors, and,"—(Mr. Touché.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 34, after the word "purposes," to insert the words "guaranteed given by third parties to enable a person or firm to obtain the use of capital or its equivalent shall be regarded as capital."—(Mr. Penefather.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words—(d) Accumulated profits sunk or used in the business shall also be deemed capital.—(Mr. Watson Rutherford.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 6, after the word "any," to insert the word "temporarily."—(Sir Alexander Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the word "temporarily" be there inserted:

Whereupon, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod having come with a Message to
attend the Lords Commissioners, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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 having 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 (No. 2) Act, 1915

The House again resolved itself into the Committee on the Finance (No. 3) Bill.

(Financial Bill)

Question again proposed, That the word "temporarily" be there inserted:

Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 7, after the word "shall," to insert the word "not."

(Sir Frederick Bradbury.)

Question, That the word "not" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words "and in the case of a firm which has no capital there shall be reckoned as capital any capital supplied by an allied firm."

(Sir Archibald Williamson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 9, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Lough.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "but," in l. 11, stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 15, at the end, to insert the words "patents and secret processes shall be deemed to be material assets."

(Mr. Bigland.)

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "processes," to insert the words "trade names."—(Mr. Lough.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule 5 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; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Civil Committee on the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Street Committee on the Street Collections (Regulation) (Scotland) Bill;

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 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 Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) 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 Indictments Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then one minute before Nine of the clock, till to-morrow.
[No. 122.]

Wednesday, 24th November 1915.

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

PEYERS.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Port Dundas Church and Parish, Quoad Sacra, Glasgow: and the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 301 to 305, inclusive, declaring the areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th November 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Commission, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Wales) (No. 2), 1915.

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 the War Obligations incurred for the purposes of the present War or in connection therewith, by or on behalf of His Majesty's Government, and for other purposes in relation thereto.—(Mr. Walter Rea ;)

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain, 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 Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to appoint to Indian Civil Service without examination).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, after the word "section," to insert the words "unless he shall have actually served with the forces of the Crown and."—(Sir J. D. Res.)

Clause 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.

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 Street Collections (Regulation) (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and 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 Indictments Bill [Lords] was, according Indictments to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Evidence Second Reading of the Evidence (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance into consideration the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as (No. 3) Bill, amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration 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 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 Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Mr. Long accordingly presented a Bill to increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill.

Resolved, That the House will upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Service Bill; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill; 

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 30th November 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

The Port Dundas Church and Parish, Quoad Sacra, Glasgow, 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.

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 York, North Riding (Cleveland Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Herbert Louis Samuel, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.—(Mr. Guildford.)

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, No. 5534.

Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, relating to the boundary between the State of North Borneo and the Netherland Possessions in Borneo, signed at London, 28th September 1915, Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Arrangements made for Water Supply to the Troops during Landing at Suvla Bay.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the work of the Indian Students Department, July 1914 to June 1915. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom in each of the last fifteen years, from 1900 to 1914. Sixty-second Number. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Report of the Royal Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Civil Service. Appendix—Minutes of Evidence, 11th February 1915 to 8th July 1915, with Appendices.

Copy of the Report to His Royal Highness National the Prince of Wales by the Scottish Advisory Relief Fund Committee on the administration of the National Relief Fund in Scotland up to the 31st March 1915.

Secretary Sir John Simon also presented, copies Act, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Bradford,

City of Carlisle (Two Orders).

Borough of Louth.

County of Worcester (Urban District of Stourport).

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

Mr. Pike Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 391, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and to be an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Pike Pease presented, pursuant to the 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 1915, 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, and Statements of Account in respect of the Telegraph and Telephone Services for the year ended 31st March 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 22nd day of November 1915, as to mode of accounting for Vote of Credit issues.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Brigadier General Henry Cecil Lawther, C.V.O., New Members C.M.G., D.S.O., Member for the County of Westmoreland (Northern or Appleby Division), was sworn.

Sir Francis Layland-Barratt, Baronet, Member for the County of Cornwall (Mid or Saint Austell Division), was sworn.

Right Philip Watson Swift, Esquire, K.C., Member for the Borough of Saint Helens, was sworn.

Charles Butt Stanton, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Mertbyr Pdywili, was sworn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Secretary Sir John Simon.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.
Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Montagu, presented a Bill to make provision, in connection with Loans raised for the purposes of the present War, for the establishment of a Post Office stock register and as to stock inscribed in that register, and to make certain amendments, in connection with such Loans and generally in connection with War Finance, in the Law relating to Savings Banks, Friendly Societies, Trade Unions, and otherwise: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Government War Obligations:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Indictments Bill [Lords];

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 Evidence (Amendment) 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 Midwives (Scotland) 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 Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance (No. 3) 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 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 Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the suspension, in connection with the present War, of the Grants payable under paragraph (2) of section nineteen of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, and the Education Code (1890) Act, 1890, and the provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of other Grants in lieu thereof—(Mr. Walter Rea); Secretary Sir John Simon, 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 1st December 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, Vote of Credit, dated the 30th day of November last, for a Return relative to the Vote of Credit.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the West African Currency Board for the year ended 30th June 1915.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, number 316, inclusive, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease and infected areas for the purpose of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order, 1914.

Copy of Order 9600, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, postponing the operation of the Two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 24th December 1915.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Sunday Labour Workers Committee, of the Committee on the Health of Munition Workers appointed by the Minister of Munitions with the concurrence of the Home Secretary.

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,—Copies of the Rules, dated 18th November 1915, made under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, as to the application of amount allotted to Dependant in case of death.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Education Committee on Education (Small Population Grants);
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the War Loan Second Reading of the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance into consideration the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as (No. 3) Bill amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration 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 Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant adjournment to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then twenty-two minutes after Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 2nd December 1915.

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

PRAYERS.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Question proposed, That the word "laws" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 11, after the word "requires," to insert the words—

"(a) The expression 'indictment' means an indictment for any offence, whether under an Act passed before the commencement of this Act, or under an Act passed after the commencement of this Act, or under the common law; and

(b)."

—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

"(4) Nothing in this Act shall affect the provisions of an Act passed in the first year of Queen Anne of which the title commences with the words 'An Act for explaining a Clause,' and ends with the words 'His Majesties Royal Person and Government,' and which relates to the effect of the death of the Sovereign."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Repeal, extent, short title, and commencement).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 24, to leave out the word "sixteen," in order to insert the word "seventeen."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That the word "sixteen" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Statement of offence) — (Mr. Hobler)—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 1.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 14, to leave out paragraph (4).—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 36, at the end, to insert the words "Provided the particulars of offence state the material facts on which the prosecution rely in support of the charge."—(Mr. Hobler.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 9, to leave out the word "after," in order to insert the word "before."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question, That the word "after" stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 11, to leave out the words "on request."—(Mr. George Greenwood.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 12, at the end, to add the words "and if the offence charged is one created by statute, a copy of the
section referred to in the indictment."—(Mr. George Greenwood.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 25, at the end, to add the words—

"1. Cvidence into a Committee on the Evidence (Amendment) Bill.

Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Evidence of depositions of witnesses engaged on naval or military service).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, after the word "war," to insert the words "and subject to the consent of the judge presiding at the trial."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "engaged," to insert the words "without the United Kingdom."—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, at the end, to add the words "Provided that this section shall not apply where the trial is for an offence punishable with death."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Power to give in evidence statements of witnesses at preliminary investigations).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, to leave out the words "either by a court-martial or."—(Sir William Ryland Atkins.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "offence," to insert the words "not punishable by death."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, at the end, to add the words "and it is further hereby declared that this section shall not apply in any case where the preliminary investigation has been held in camera, nor in any case where the witness has not been cross-examined on behalf of the accused."—(Mr. Molteno.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Proof of naval or military service).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 24, to leave out the words "shall, for the purposes of this Act, be conclusive," in order to insert the words "may, if the court so think fit, be, for the purposes of this Act, accepted as."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Evidence of depositions of witnesses engaged on naval or military service).

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.

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 Education (Small Population Grants).

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the suspension, in connection with the present War, of the Grants payable under paragraph (2) of section nineteen of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, and the Education Code (1890) Act, 1890, and the provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of other Grants in lieu thereof. —(Mr. Herbert Lewis.)

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.

Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill;

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

Finance (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on 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.

Military Service Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;

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

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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And it being one hour after the conclusion of Government Business, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, it being then eight minutes before Ten of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 127.]

Monday, 6th December 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Tewson presented, by His Majesty's Sailors and Soldiers Command,—Copy of Scheme for allowances to Dependants of deceased Sailors and Soldiers.

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

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, Civil Contingencies Fund, 1914-15.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1914-15.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the Super-directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 25th November 1915, granting a retired allowance to Mr. Alfred O’Hea, Assistant Clerk, General Prisons Board, Ireland.

Copy of Regulations, dated 30th November National Health Insurance Commission (Wales), 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1914-15, and the Paper relative to the National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations) be printed.

Mr. Long presented,—Return to an Order, Deaths from Starvation or Privation accelerated by Privation (England and Wales).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Universities the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Scotland (Ordinance,) Act, 1889.

Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 49 (Ordinance,) (Edinburgh, No. 17) (Regulations for Degrees in Music, supplementary to Ordinance, No. 34) (Edinburgh, No. 8), of the Commissioners under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, Shops Act, made by the Secretary for Scoland, dated 22nd November 1915, affecting certain Shops in the Burgh of Paisley.

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

Ordered, That the Indictments Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be printed.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power for soldiers and sailors to claim pre-war rates of income tax in certain cases).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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. 7, by leaving out from the word “objects” to the word “is,” in l. 8.—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be added to the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Clause (Relief in respect of premiums on policies)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of 4 & 5 Geo. 5, c. 76, to legacy and succession duty) — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Procedure on death of person entitled to Government stock).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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, at the end of l. 8, by inserting, after the word “person,” the words “In the case of any holding of Government stock, the production of an order or decree granted by any court in the United Kingdom having authority to grant the same shall be sufficient authority to the Banks of England and Ireland, to the National Debt Commissioners, to the Postmaster General, and to any savings bank authority to transfer or otherwise deal with such holding in accordance with such order or decree, or as directed by the person authorised or entitled by or by virtue of such order or decree.”—(Mr. Currie.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the Clause be added to the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 1, by leaving out Clause 2.—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being put, That Clause 2 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. 36, by leaving out Clause 12.—(Mr. Clough.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “namely,” in p. 6, l. 2, 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. 6, l. 39, by inserting, after the word “referee,” the words “or board of referees.”—(Mr. Montagu.)

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. 7, l. 14, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“Provided that in the case of cinematograph films:—

(a) Where such films arrive by parcels post, if it is desired, facilities shall be given for re-addressing such films to a foreign or colonial address without being removed from the Post Office, any excess postage being duly paid, and in such cases no import duty shall be charged;

(b) Where it is desired that such films, instead of being delivered as addressed, shall be stored in a bonded warehouse, the Post Office shall accept instructions to this effect, and no duty shall be claimed until the films are removed from bond;

(c) Facilities shall also be given in bond under satisfactory security to examine, alter, and repair films which are intended solely for export, without payment of duty.”—(Mr. Long.)

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. 9, l. 5, by leaving out Clause 15.—(Mr. Long.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “and,” in l. 5, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 5, by leaving out from the word “war” to the word “the,” in l. 6.—(Mr. Long.)

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, l. 29, by inserting, after the word “made,” the words “or due.”—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

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. 16, l. 19, by leaving out subsection (4) of Clause 26.—(Mr. Butcher.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “assessment,” in p. 16, 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. 18, l. 19, by inserting at the end thereof the words—
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 Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ordered, That the House of the 13th day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 7th December 1915.

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

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Time Table of Examinations for Intermediate Education in Ireland for 1916.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of Rule 2 and Appendix of Regulations for Examinations for the Civil Service of India.

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

Mr. Runconor presented, pursuant to the Assurance Act, 1911.—Copy of Annual Report of the Assurance Companies for the year 1915.

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


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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th November, 1915.
ber 1915, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 30th November 1915, entitled the China (Companies) Order in Council, 1915.

Copy of Order in Council made under the Merchant Shipping Acts, dated 20th November 1915, further postponing the operation of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, to the 1st July 1916.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports respecting Peterhead Harbour Works.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 317 to 321, inclusive, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Sir George Toulmin reported from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports; That, in accordance with the Instruction of the Committee on Publications and Debates Reports; and directed him to make a Report thereon 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant December, on the previously proposed Amendments to the Bill, proposed to be made on consideration of the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as amended, in p. 18, l. 19, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(6) Nothing in section forty-one of the Income Tax Act, 1842 (as amended by any subsequent enactment or by this section,) shall render a non-resident person chargeable in the name of a broker or general commission agent in respect of profits or gains arising from sales or transactions carried out through such a broker or general commission agent;";

Which Amendment to the proposed Amendment to the Bill was, in l. 3, to leave out the words "a broker or general commission," and insert the word "an," instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Amendment to the proposed Amendment to the Bill was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill, by adding at the end thereof the words "nor render a non-resident person chargeable in respect of the sale or purchase of goods by a non-resident firm or person through an agent in this country, which are imported into or purchased through an agent in the ordinary way of business, nor shall it apply to the purchase and sale of raw materials of any kind."—(Mr. Molyneux.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words, as amended, 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. 20, l. 6, by inserting, after the word "year," the words "or any sum of money to the Exchequer in accordance with the provisions of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, or any regulation made thereunder."—(Mr. James Mison.)

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. 21, l. 8, by leaving out the words "or more than a year."—(Mr. Peto.)

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. 21, l. 29, by inserting, after the word "Kingdom," the words "or the production of sugar in any British colony or dependency."—(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. 21, l. 31, by leaving out the words "any profession the profits of which are," and inserting the words "the profession of a barrister, solicitor, doctor, architect, or accountant, and any profession unconnected with the purchase or sale of property or commodities of any description and"—(Mr. Montagu)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The says proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, l. 1, by leaving out the words "or."—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "or" 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. 22, l. 8, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that where a local authority carry on two or more trades or businesses all of such trades or businesses shall be deemed to be one trade or business for the purposes of this Part of this Act.
For the purposes of this Act the expression ‘local authority’ means any body who have power to raise a rate, or administer money raised by a rate, and includes any statutory combination of two or more local authorities; and the expression ‘rate’ means a rate the proceeds of which are applicable to local public purposes, and which is leviable on the basis of an assessment in respect of the yearly value of property, and includes any sum which, though obtained in the first instance by a precept, certificate, or other instrument requiring payment from some authority or officer, is, or can be, ultimately raised out of a rate as before defined.”—(Sir John Hornwood-Baner.)

And the Question being proposed, 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. 23, 1. 29, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“(3) For the purposes of this section, capital shall be taken to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, where the pre-war standard of profits is a profits standard, if the capital employed in the trade or business exceeds or is less than the average amount of capital employed during the pre-war trade years or year by reference to which the profits standard has been arrived at, and, where the pre-war standard of profits is a percentage standard, if the capital exceeds or is less than the capital on which the percentage standard has been calculated.”—(Mr. Montagu.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill in l. 2, by inserting, after the word “be,” the words “during the accounting period.”—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—The Amendment to the Bill was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words—

“(3) For the purposes of this section, capital shall be taken to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, where the pre-war standard of profits is a profits standard, if the capital employed in the trade or business exceeds or is less than the average amount of capital employed during the pre-war trade years or year by reference to which the profits standard has been arrived at, and, where the pre-war standard of profits is a percentage standard, if the capital exceeds or is less than the capital on which the percentage standard has been calculated” 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. 23, 1. 30, by inserting, after the word “to,” the words “his first accounting period being a yearly period beginning prior to the first day of March, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and more than half of the year’s profits having been actually earned prior to that date.”—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

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.

And the Question being proposed, 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. 22, l. 8, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“(4) Where any local authority proves that during the accounting period they have incurred expenditure for purposes connected with the war, such expenditure shall be allowed as a deduction or set-off against any duty payable by them under this section.”—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

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. 22, l. 24, by leaving out the word “seven,” and inserting the word “eight” —(Mr. Donniss.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “ seven” 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. 22, l. 40, by inserting, after the word “to,” the words “his first accounting period being a yearly period beginning prior to the first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty and more than half of the year’s profits having been actually earned prior to that date.”—(Mr. Pennefather.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, l. 42, by inserting, after the word “repairs,” the words “expenditure on advertisements.”—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

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. 22, l. 42, by inserting, after the word “repairs,” the words “expenditure on advertisements.”—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

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. 23, l. 13, by inserting at the end thereof the words “In the application of the Act to Ireland, if a board of referees has not been appointed for any trade the case shall be referred to the county court judge.”—(Mr. Lough.)

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. 23, l. 19, by leaving out at the end thereof the words—

“(3) For the purposes of this section, capital shall be taken to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, where the pre-war standard of profits is a profits standard, if the capital employed in the trade or business exceeds or is less than the average amount of capital employed during the pre-war trade years or year by reference to which the profits standard has been arrived at, and, where the pre-war standard of profits is a percentage standard, if the capital exceeds or is less than the capital on which the percentage standard has been calculated.”—(Mr. Montagu.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill in l. 2, by inserting, after the word “be,” the words “during the accounting period.”—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—The Amendment to the Bill was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words—

“(3) For the purposes of this section, capital shall be taken to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, where the pre-war standard of profits is a profits standard, if the capital employed in the trade or business exceeds or is less than the average amount of capital employed during the pre-war trade years or year by reference to which the profits standard has been arrived at, and, where the pre-war standard of profits is a percentage standard, if the capital exceeds or is less than the capital on which the percentage standard has been calculated” 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. 27, l. 25, by inserting at the end thereof the words “In the case of any trade or business which, by reason of its being unable to pay its debenture holders or creditors, is being carried on by a liquidator, receiver, and manager or trustee under the court, no excess profits duty shall be levied or paid until provision has been made for payment of such unpaid debenture holders or creditors.”—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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. 27, l. 36, by inserting, after the first word “Commissioners,” the words “or in Ireland, to the county court judge.”—(Mr. Villiers.)
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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. 31, l. 34, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(a) An additional drawback on beer to be allowed under conditions to be made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise in respect of imported sugar and glucose used in the brewing of beer for export on its deposit in bond.

(b) An additional drawback on beer to be allowed under conditions to be made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise in respect of sugar and glucose made in Great Britain or Ireland, used in the brewing of beer for export on its deposit in bond.

—(Sir George Younger.)"

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. 34, l. 20, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Deductions shall be allowed from the actual profits paid for the accounting period on account of the payment of interest or dividends on cumulative preference shares in respect of the three pre-war trade years on which such interest or dividend may be payable."—(Mr. Dennis.)

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. 34, l. 30, by inserting, after the word "on," the words "or authorised to carry on."—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

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. 36, l. 11, by inserting, after the word "years," the words "after deducting the statutory percentage in respect of any increase in the average of the capital employed in those years over the average of the capital employed in the preceding three years."—(Mr. Du Cros.)

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. 37, l. 3, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"6. The amount fixed, or to be fixed, under the provisions and for the purposes of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, or any Act amending or extending the same, as the standard amount of profits of any controlled establishment, consisting of any establishment used, whether solely or in conjunction with any other establishment, for the purposes of, or in connection with, any trade or business to which the provisions of Part III. of this Act apply, shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this Act—

(a) be adopted as the pre-war standard of profits in the case of that trade or business, or of that part of that trade or business for the purposes of, or in connection with, which the controlled establishment is used (as the case may be), where such standard has not been ascertained under the provisions of this Act before the date on which the said establishment was declared a controlled establishment; and

(b) if so required by the person carrying on that trade or business, be substituted in the case of that trade or business, or of that part of that trade or business for the purposes of, or in connection with, which the controlled establishment is used (as the case may be), for any pre-war standard of profits which shall have been ascertained under the provisions of this Act before the said date.

—(Mr. Peto.)"

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 37, l. 27, by leaving out from the word "acquired" to the end of the paragraph.

—(Mr. John Henderson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "sold," in p. 37, l. 28, 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. 37, l. 29, by leaving out the words "of shares in the company," and inserting the words "held by the person who was owner of the trade or business"—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill, by adding at the end thereof the words "for a period not exceeding seven years."—(Mr. Long.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "held by the person who was owner of the trade or business" be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 27th November 1915, made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, applying the provisions of Section 73 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, to cases of Toxic Jaundice in Factories and Workshops.

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

Ordered, That the Finance (No. 3) Bill, as Finance amended on consideration, be printed.

Ordered, That the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Indictments 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 Second Reading of the War Loan (War Restrictions) 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 Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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 Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

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 Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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 Education (Small Population Grants) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

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 Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 37, l. 32, by inserting, after the word "processes," the words "trade marks and trade names."—(Mr. Lough.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Indictments 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 Second Reading of the Education (Small Population Grants) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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 War Loan (Supplementary Provisions) 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 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 on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 7, to leave out the words "(iv) Where the mortgagee shall satisfy a judge of the county court, or any fellow of the Surveyors Institute whom he may appoint to act on his behalf, that the mortgagor is permitting waste, or is neglecting to do repairs necessary for the reasonable maintenance of the property, and is thereby diminishing the security the subject of the mortgage, such judge of the county court, or such appointee, may order that such repairs shall be executed by the mortgagor to execute such repairs shall be deemed to be a sufficient reason to deprive the mortgagor of any protection in respect of such property afforded by this Act, and, in making any order under this subsection, the provisions of subsection (ii) of this section may apply to such repairs, or to such part thereof, as to the judge or his appointee may see fit and may so order."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(iv) This subsection shall not apply to any rent or mortgage interest which may accrue in respect of any new building or dwelling-house which may be created after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Kellaway.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
the tenant to pay an increased rent by this Act made irrecoverable, all further proceedings shall be stayed."—(Mr. Field.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, to leave out the word "or."—(Mr. Rosenthall.)

Question proposed, That the word "or" stand part of the Clause—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, after the word " dwelling-house," to insert the words "let at a rack-rent."—(Mr. Prothero.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 36, after the word "the," to insert the word "standard."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question proposed, That the word "standard" be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 36, after the word "rent," to insert the words "nor shall any person, for the consideration aforesaid, require the payment of any rent in respect of any dwelling-house to which the Act applies greater than the standard rent."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 10, after the word "provision," to insert the words "shall not apply to executors or administrators of deceased persons and."—(Mr. Field.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Interpretation and application).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20, after the word "means," to insert the words "in a case in which the rent has not been increased before the twenty-fifth day of November, nineteen hundred and fifteen."—(Mr. Hohler.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

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.

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Thursday, 9th December 1915.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report from Universities and University Colleges in Great Britain which are in receipt of Grant from the Board of Education, 1913-14. Volumes I. and II.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Second Report of the Committee on Retrenchment in the Public Expenditure.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 29th November 1915, granting a retired allowance to Mr. Herbert Albert Collins, Architect, His Majesty's Office of Works.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 Street Collections (Regulation) (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Port Dundas Church and Parish, Quoad Sacra, Glasgow, Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Lloyd George, supported by Mr. Attorney General, Dr. Addison, and Mr. Moranmaro, presented a Bill to amend the Munitions of War Act, 1915: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Parliament Act, 1911, in connection with the present Parliament, and to suspend further the machinery for the Registration of Electors. —(Secretary Sir John Simon)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moved the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11. And the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Secretary Sir John Simon, Mr. Secretary Honor Law, Mr. Long, Mr. Lewis Harecourt, Mr. Arthur Henderson, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Secretary Sir John Simon accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Parliament Act, 1911, and Registration Bill, 1915, in connection with the present Parliament, and to suspend further the machinery for the Registration of Electors: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Finance (No. 3) Bill was, according to Finance 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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Interpretation and application).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20, after the word "means," to insert the words "in a case in which the rent has not been increased before the twenty-fifth day of November, nineteen hundred and fifteen."—(Mr. Hobler.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that in cases where the rent of any dwelling-house, or part of a dwelling-house, was at the third day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, the dwelling-house had been let at a higher rent than that at which it was let on that date, then such higher rent shall be deemed to be the standard rent for the purposes of this Act."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words "In cases where the rent of any dwelling-house, or part of a dwelling-house, was at the third day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, below the rent of adjacent and similar houses the standard rent on any new letting shall be deemed to be the rent at which the greater number of such adjacent and similar houses were then let."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that in no case shall the standard rent be taken as less than the normal and fair rent of any dwelling-house, even if that rent has been payable only since the third day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and as to whether such rent is a fair and normal rent, and not excessive, shall be decided by a house agent nominated by the President of the Local Government Board."—(Sir John Rolleston.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.
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. 30, after the word "rate," to insert the words "or rates."—(Mr. Prothero.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "The expression 'landlord' shall include any person in receipt of or entitled to the receipt of any rent to which this Act applies; and the expression 'tenant' shall include any person paying or liable to pay any rent to which this Act applies."—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 2, after the word "dwelling," to insert the words "including a room let as a lodging and."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 4, to leave out from the word "where" to the end of l. 8, in order to insert the words "the standard rent does not exceed one pound per week."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

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. 7, to leave out the words "administrative county of London," in order to insert the words "Metropolitan police district, including therein the City of London."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :—Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, at the end thereof to add the words "together with the urban districts of Dartford and Watford, the petty sessional district of Romford, and the parishes of Darenth, Stone, Sutton-at-Hone, Swanscombe, and Walmington."—(Mr. Jones Rendeln.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment :—Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 23, to leave out from the word "applies" to the end of the paragraph.—(Mr. Chancellor.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "it," in p. 4, l. 23, stand part of the Clause :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 26, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "a," in l. 26, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

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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 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 Military Service 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 Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, till Monday next.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Declaration between the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Japan, and Russia engaging not to conclude Peace separately during the present War. Signed at London, 30th November 1915.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Army Command,—Estimate of the number of Men required in the year ending 31st March 1916 in consequence of the War.

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

The Right Honourable Herbert Louis Samuel, New Member for the County of York, North Riding (Cleveland Division), was sworn.

The Government War Obligations (No. 2) Government War Loan 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. Walter Rea.)

The War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) War Loan Bill was, according to Order, read a second (Supplemental Provisions) time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.— (Mr. Bridgeman.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Indictments the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant December, That the Indictments Bill [Lords] be now read the third time : The Bill was accordingly 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, 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 into a Committee on the Education (Small Population Grants) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Classes 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 read the third time to-morrow.
Tuesday, 14th December 1915.

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

**PRAYERS.**

S. Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the treatment of British Prisoners of War and Interned Civilians in Germany.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report by Lord Balfeur of Burleigh and Mr. Lynden Macassey, K.C., to the Minister of Munitions upon the apprehended differences affecting Munition Workers in the Clyde District.

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 by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to enable the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council to sit in more than one Division at the same time; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliament and Registration 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. Cowan.]

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 to-morrow.—[Secretary Sir John Simon.]

The Education (Small Population Grants) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Speaker's Table, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

James W. Lowther, Speaker.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Munitions (Second Reading of the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill);

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

The Order of the day being read, for the War Loan (Supplementary Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Committee on the Government War Obligations (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 War Loan Committee on the War Loan (Supplementary Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Take into consideration the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, 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 Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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 Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, and the number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics, between the 1st April 1915 and the 30th September 1915.

The Judicial Committee Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Friday next.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliament and Registration and Registration Bill;
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 Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Power to prohibit trading with persons of enemy nationality, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. I, 1. 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word "all."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

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, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Committee on the Government War Obligations (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 Committee on the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill;
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 Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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 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.

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

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Munitions of War [Expenses.]
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 the Salaries and Expenses of the Members and Officers appointed under any Act of the present Session to amend the Munitions of War Act, 1915—(Mr. Walter Rea); Secretary Sir John Simon, 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.

Adjournment.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

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Thursday, 16th December 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

MR. MONTAGU presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th December 1915, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Compensation Agreements) Regulations (Wales), 1915.

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


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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—The Lords have agreed to the Midwives Midwives (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which (Scotland) Bill, the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow.—(Mr. Gulland.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government War Obligations (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Extensions of the Government War Obligations Act, 1914).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out subsection (1).—(Major Worthington-Evans.) Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out subsection (2)—(Major Worthington-Evans.) 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. 15, to leave out the words "in connection with any such last-mentioned arrangements."—(Major Worthington-Evans.) 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. 15, after the word "enabling," to insert the word "Foreign."—(Major Worthington-Evans.) Question proposed, That the word "Foreign" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and 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 Order of the day being read, for the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Rules as to procedure)—(Mr. Long)—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. 3, l. 8, by leaving out from the word "made" to the word "or," in l. 9, and inserting the words "so long as the tenant continues to pay rent at the agreed rate as modified by this Act and performs the other conditions of the tenancy, except on the ground that the tenant has committed waste or has been guilty of conduct which is a nuisance or an annoyance to adjoining or neighbouring occupiers, or that the premises are reasonably required by the landlord for the occupation of himself or some other person in his employ"—(Mr. Long)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—

It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill, in l. 5, by inserting, after the word "occupiers," the words "or using the premises for illegal or improper purposes."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

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

And the Question being put, That the words "so long as the tenant continues to pay rent at the agreed rate as modified by this Act and performs the other conditions of the tenancy, except on the ground that the tenant has committed waste or has been guilty of conduct which is a nuisance or an annoyance to adjoining or neighbouring occupiers, or that the premises are reasonably required by the landlord for the occupation of himself or some other person in his employ" 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. 4, l. 2, by leaving out the words "rate of interest payable at that date," and inserting the words "interest at the rate of four per cent., or such higher rate of interest as was payable prior to the third day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen"—(Mr. Watt)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "rate of interest" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 2, by inserting, after the word "interest," the words "whether fixed or variable, payable or agreed to be paid under the provisions of the instrument creating the mortgage, and of any instrument or agreement modifying or governing the same, so far as such instrument or agreements were valid and existing on that date."—(Mr. M'donald.)

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.

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 Munitions of War [Exc. of War Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Remuneration and Expenses of Members of Appeal Courts, and other Officers required in connection with such Courts, appointed in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Munitions of War Act, 1915.—(Dr. Addison.)

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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power to prohibit trading with persons of enemy nationality, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out from the beginning to the word "all."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "enemy," to insert the words "or with the agents of such persons, wherever resident or carrying on business."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "or enemy association."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

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. 18, at the end, to insert the words "and complete lists of such persons or bodies of persons shall, from time to time, be published in the 'London Gazette.'"—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "or enemy association."—(Mr. Harold Smith.)

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. 7, at the end, to insert the words "and as if clause six of the Trading with the Enemy Proclamation (No. 2) were omitted from that Proclamation."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the word "substituted," in order to insert the word "included."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That the word "substituted" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words "and as if clause six of the Trading with the Enemy Proclamation (No. 2) were omitted from that Proclamation."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Short title).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, to leave out the word "Extension," in order to insert the word "Restriction."—(Mr. Booth.)
On 16th-17th December 1915, the House of Commons proceeded to take the Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill, as amended, to be reported.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tobacco (Amendment) Bill, it was agreed to.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parliament and Registration Bills, it was agreed to.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Supply, it was agreed to.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, it was agreed to.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the proceedings on the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill be not interrupted this day at Five or half an hour after Five of the clock.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee on Munitions of War [Expenses] a Resolution, which was read, as followeth :—

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Remuneration and Expenses of Members of Appeal Courts, and other Officers required in connection with such Courts, appointed in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Munitions of War Act, 1915. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Power to declare Government factories &c, controlled establishments).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 1, at the beginning, to insert the words "Without prejudice and in addition to the provisions of section four of the Munitions of War Act, 1915 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act")."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the second word "establishments," in order to insert the words "an establishment."

—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word "establishments" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) Notwithstanding any provision in section four of the principal Act to the contrary, wherever any establishment or part of an establishment is or becomes one in which munitions work is carried on within the meaning of this Act or the principal Act, such establishment or part of an establishment shall, so long as such munitions work is carried on, be deemed for all purposes to be a controlled establishment as if an order had been made under section four of the principal Act to that effect.”—(Mr. Edmund Horney.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Amendment of section six of principal Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word “workman,” to insert the words “or causes or allows that workman to be dismissed.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, after the word “and,” to insert the words “(without prejudice and in addition to any civil liability).”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Offences by employers in connection with munition workers assigned to them).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 20, after the word “and,” to insert the words “shall be.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Amendment of section seven of principal Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33, to leave out the word “from.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word “from” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) If any employer fails to issue a certificate which, under section seven of the principal Act, as amended by this section, he is ordered to issue he shall be guilty of an offence under the principal Act, and shall be liable to be punished as though he had failed to comply with an award.”—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, at the end, to add the words “A munitions tribunal may award compensation to a workman in respect of any time during which he has been prevented from earning wages by the failure or the unreasonable refusal of the employer to grant such a certificate, and may award also an allowance for expenses and loss of working time, and such sums shall be payable by such persons as the tribunal may decide.”—(Mr. Edmund Horney.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, to leave out the word “he,” in order to insert the words “the employer.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word “he” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 15, after the word “wages,” to insert the words “or not substantially to work, or otherwise prevented from earning wages.”—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 15, to leave out the words “for a period of more than three days.”—(Mr. Edmund Horney.)

Question proposed, That the words “for a period of more than” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, to leave out the word “twenty-four,” in order to insert the word “forty-eight.”—(Mr. Dennis.)

Question proposed, That the word “twenty-four” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 27, after the word “provide,” to insert the words “amongst other things.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 32, to leave out the words “the circumstances of the employment or.”—(Mr. Tyron Wilson.)

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. 33, to leave out the words “the employer shall, in order to insert the words “there was.”—(Mr. King.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out from the beginning of l. 36 to the end of l. 40.—(Mr. Wilkie.)

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. 37, to leave out the words “ship repairing,” in order to insert the words “in the repairing of ships or vessels.”—(Mr. King.)

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. 10, after the word “consideration,” to insert the words “any complaints, either by the employer.
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or the workman, in connection with the case as to whether the workman has been offered or paid less than the standard rate of wages and allowances, or has been required to work under other than the standard conditions of employment according to the contract of service into which he has entered; or has been reduced in status so as substantially to reduce his earnings, or whether the employer has refused or failed to pay him at least the amount of the standard time wages during the whole period of his employment, whether or not he has been set continuously to work; or."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 12, after the first word "of," to insert the words "accepting a situation as foreman or."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 15, at the beginning, to insert the words: "A certificate granted by an employer under section seven of the principal Act, as amended by this section, shall not contain any other matter, and shall not be expressed, written, typewritten, or printed in such a way as to convey any other information or opinion beyond what is required by the said section, as amended by this section."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Rates of wages of women employed on munitions work).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 32, at the beginning, to insert the words: "Without prejudice and in addition to the provisions of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and of the Employment of Children Act, 1903."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, after the words last inserted, to insert the words: "or semi-skilled or unskilled men."

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 32, to leave out the words: "or in connection with."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 33, after the word: "work," to insert the words: "whether such is customarily done by men or not."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 33, to leave out from the word "work," to the word "the," in l. 35.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "Act," in l. 34, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 35, after the word: "thereunder," to insert the words: "and in which the rates and conditions prevailing in the case of women employed upon women's work are lower than those recognised by employers and in trade societies, or in practice obtaining amongst good employers in other districts in which the general industrial conditions are similar, or, in the case of women employed on men's work, than those recommended by the Minister to be paid to women employed on men's work."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 36, after the word: "Munitions," to insert the words: "with the approval of the Treasury."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 37, after the word: "establishment," to insert the words: "and any contractor or sub-contractor employing labour therein."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 38, after the word: "wages," to insert the words: "hours of labour, overtime, sanitary accommodation, the heating, lighting, and ventilation of the work-places."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 1, after the word: "with," to insert the words: "or contravene, or causes or allows any non-compliance with or contravention of."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 1, to leave out the word: "directions," in order to insert the word: "direction."

Question proposed, That the word: "directions" stand part of the Clause: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Establishment of special arbitration tribunal for women).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 8, after the word: "manufacturer," to insert the word: "equipment."

Question proposed, That the word: "equipment" be there inserted: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 9, after the word: "vessels," to insert the word: "boats."

Question, That the word: "boats" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 13, to leave out the words: "necessary for the successful prosecution of," in order to insert the words: "required in connection with."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 14, after the word: "metals," to insert the word: "minerals."
Question proposed, That the word "minerals" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 19, at the beginning, to insert the words "subject to the work on which they are engaged comes within the provisions of the principal Act and this Act."—(Mr. Edmund Harveys.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 19, after the word "alteration," to insert the words "improvement, maintenance."—(Mr. Holc.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Explanation of term "workman").

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 11, to leave out from the word "thereunder" to the end of l. 16.—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Extension of section eleven of principal Act).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 15, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the words "five."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 16, after the word "be," to insert the words "properly and technically qualified to discharge his duties, and shall be."—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Powers of inspectors).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 27, to leave out from the word "that" to the end of the paragraph, in order to insert the words "the assessors in a munitions tribunal shall be deemed to be members of such tribunal equally with the chairman thereof."—(Mr. O’Grady.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Howard : 43.

Mr. James Hope : 1.

Mr. O’Grady: 10.

Mr. Tyson Wilson: 10.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 35, to leave out paragraph (c), in order to insert the words—

"(d) for the application to the barrister mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph the provisions of the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1857, so far as applicable, and of section thirty-three of the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879."

—(Mr. King.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, after the words last inserted, to insert the words—

"(d) where any establishment has been made subject to any of the provisions of the principal Act or of this Act by any order or certificate, it shall be a valid defence to any proceedings against any workman before any munitions tribunal in respect of a contravention of the principal Act or of this Act, or of rules made in pursuance of either of them, that sufficient public notice has not been given to the workpeople in such establishment that it had by such order or certificate been made subject to any part of such Act;

(e) where proceedings are taken against any workman before any munitions tribunal in respect of any rules made by any employer, it shall be a valid defence to such proceedings that such rules have not been instituted in conformity with the principal Act and this Act;

(f) where any proceedings are taken against any workman before any munitions tribunal in respect of any failure to comply with any change of working conditions, it shall be a valid defence to such proceedings that due notice has not been given to the workpeople in the establishment, after the consultation with workmen or their representative required by paragraph seven of the Second Schedule of the principal Act;

(g) no proceedings otherwise than with regard to the granting of certificates of discharge shall be instituted in any munitions tribunal except upon the authority in writing of the Minister of Munitions in each separate case."

—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 3, after the word "is," to insert the words "responsible and who is."—(Mr. Dennis.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 12 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 13 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 disagreed to.

Clause No. 15 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 16 and No. 17 agreed to.

Clause No. 18 (Provision as to rules).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 34, at the end, to add the words "Provided that such rules and regulations shall be either immediately presented to Parliament or published in the next ensuing issue of the 'Labour Gazette,' as the Minister of Munitions may determine."—(Mr. Anderson.)
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Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 19 agreed to.

A Clause (Establishment of special arbitration tribunal for women)—(Mr. Lloyd George)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of Schedule 2, paragraph 7, of the principal Act)—(Mr. Wardle)—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 (Amendment of section 15 of the principal Act)—(Mr. Goldstone)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 1 of the principal Act)—(Mr. Anderson)—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.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

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.

Adjournment.

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 half an hour after Seven of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 20th December 1915.

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

PRAYERS.

Trade Reports

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5535 to 5537.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute VI. of the National University of Ireland under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

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

Secretary Sir John Simon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Durham (Urban District of Southwick-on-Wear).

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City of Liverpool (a specified area of the city).

Borough of Mervyn Tyndal (Dowlais and Penydarne Ward).

Borough of Reading.

Urban District of Lees.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Judicial Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for the year 1914.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Parliament and Registration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of Parliament Act in connection with the present Parliament).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out the word "six," in order to insert the word "five."—(The Prime Minister.)

Question put, That the word "six" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

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Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out subsection (2)—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Suspension of registration machinery).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out the words "and local government."—(Sir George Younger.)

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. 21, at the end, to insert the words "and there shall be substituted therefor the words 'but in no case after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen.'"—(Mr. Cowan.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Compensation to local officers in connection with the present Parliament).

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow; and be printed.

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Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Lloyd George):—It passed in the Negative.

War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of Post Office stock register).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the word "another," in order to insert the words "any other person."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That the word "another" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 7 agreed to.

Clause No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Investment of funds of friendly societies, &c. in Scotland).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 20, to leave out the words "accountant of court," in order to insert the words "trustees of the society."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 10 and No. 11 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, without Amendment.

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 taking Munitions into consideration the Munitions of War (Amendment) 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 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 War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 21st December 1915.

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

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, 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 taking Munitions into consideration the Munitions of War (Amendment) 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 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 Military Service Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

S. SECRETARY Sir John Simon presented, Shops Act, pursuant to the directions of an Act of 1912.

Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the Borough of Saint Helens, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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. 5338 and 5339.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acton^ presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 330 to 335, inclusive, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules there to be infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

The Lords have agreed to the Finance (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Celluloid, &c.) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Corporation (Celluloid) Bill.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision with respect to Companies of Enemy Character; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Evidence (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1915–16.

Additional Number of Land Forces.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Henry Dalziel)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy 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.

Governments War Obligations (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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Parliament and Registration Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Six of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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The Order made upon the 6th day of May last, That there be laid before this House a Districts (Population.) Return relative to Congested Districts (Ireland) (Population,) was read and discharged.—(Mr. Flavin.)

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 agreed to the Education (Small Population Grants) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by leaving out the words “five years and eight months,” and inserting the words “six years” — (Mr. Hemmerde), 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. 9, by inserting, after the word “Commont,” the words “before the first day of October, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and,” — (Sir Robert Fiskay.)

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.

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 Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee, into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Walter Rea reported from the Committee Supply [21st of Supply of the 21st day of this instant December] Report.
Army Supplementary Estimate, 1915-16.

Additional Number of Land Forces.

That an additional number of Land Forces not exceeding 1,000,000, 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, in consequence of the War in Europe, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1916.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Evidence (Amendment) 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 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.

Military Service Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Service Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) 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 Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) 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, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 23rd December 1915.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, Trade Reports (by His Majesty's Command) — Copies of Official Reports of the Foreign Office, 1912. Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:— Copies of (two Orders) of the County Council of Lancashire.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number and net tonnage of British Merchant Ships and Fishing Vessels reported to the Board of Trade as totally lost, between the 4th day of August 1914 and the 31st day of October 1915, by enemy action and by ordinary marine casualties:

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(Mr. Burns.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the estimated quantities of Coal raised in the United Kingdom, in each of the quarters ended the 31st day of March, the 30th day of June, and the 30th day of September 1915, compared with particulars for the corresponding periods of 1914 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 327 of Session 1914-16). (Mr. Runciman.)

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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 Government War Obligations (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 4th day of January next.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer).

A Message was delivered by Captain Thomas Ducres Butler, 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 having 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. Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915.
3. Street Collections (Regulation) (Scotland) Act, 1915.
13. Port Dundas Church and Parish, Quoad Sacra, Glasgow, Order Confirmation Act, 1915.

The Question being again proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 4th day of January next;

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day, till Tuesday the 4th day of January 1916.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 4th day of January next, 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, upon Tuesday the 4th day of January next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of January next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 4th day of January next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Runniman presented,—Return of Order, Output of Coal in the United Kingdom, No. 390.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Newington 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 Newington (West Division), in the name of Captain Cecil William Norton, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Mr. Galland.)

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Christmas Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95—

Copy of Memorandum of the German Government—Warrant of an auxiliary cruiser “Baralong” on 10th August 1915, and Reply of His Majesty's Government thereunto.
No. 407.]

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 21st December 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Withdrawal of Approval) Amendment Regulations, 1915. No. 407.

Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd December 1915, made by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue under the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915.

Copy of Fifth Report of the proceedings of the Development Commissioners, being for the year 1914-15.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regulations) and Development Commission be printed.

Mr. Bruce presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the Urban District of Tottenham, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Copies of Orders under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Councils of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of Brighton.

Urban District of Brierley Hill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of Report on Welfare Supervision of the Committee appointed by the Minister of Munitions, with the concurrence of the Home Secretary.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to inquire into the circumstances connected with the alleged recent increases in the rent of Small Dwelling-houses in Industrial Districts in Scotland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of a new Clause (Remuneration and employment of semi-skilled and unskilled labour).—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Remuneration and employment of semi-skilled and unskilled labour)—(Mr. Lloyd George)—brought up, and read the first and second time, amended, and agreed to, and added to the Bill.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had added a new Clause to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and on recommittal, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.
A Clause (Amendment of section one of the principal Act) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Minor amendments of principal Act).—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended, in l. 1, at first time, by inserting the words “In section three of the principal Act there shall be added, after the words ‘affecting employment on,’ in both places where those words occur, the words ‘or in connection with.’”—(Mr. King.)

And the Clause, so amended, was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Repeal of section seven of the principal Act).—(Mr. Pringle.)

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 read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Refusal to work on Sunday).—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

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 read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Record of departure from prevailing conditions).—(Mr. Pringle.)

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 read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of Schedule two of the principal Act).—(Mr. Hodge.)

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 read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of section fifteen of the principal Act).—(Mr. Pringle.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill in p. 2, 1. 22, by leaving out the words “For subsections (1) and (2) of section seven of the principal Act the following subsections shall be substituted:—

(1) A person shall not give employment to a workman who has within the last previous six weeks, or such other period as may be provided by order of the Minister of Munitions as respects any class of establishment, been employed on or in connection with munitions work in any establishment of a class to which the provisions of this section are applied by order of the Minister of Munitions, unless he holds a certificate from the employer by whom he was last so employed or from a tribunals tribunal that he is free to accept other employment;

(2) If any workman or his trade union representative complains to a munitions tribunal, in accordance with rules made with respect to those tribunals, that such a certificate as aforesaid has been unreasonably refused by an employer, that tribunal may, after examining into the case, if it thinks fit, itself issue such a certificate, or order the issue of such a certificate by the employer.”—(Mr. Lloyd George.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment to the Bill was amended, in l. 13, by leaving out the words “such a certificate as aforesaid has been unreasonably refused by an employer,” and inserting the words “an employer has unreasonably refused or neglected to issue such a certificate as aforesaid”—(Mr. King.),—instead thereof.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment to the Bill, in l. 16, by adding at the end thereof the words “If any employer fails to issue a certificate so ordered to be issued he shall be liable to be punished as though he had failed to comply with an award.”—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment to the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words “For subsections (1) and (2) of section seven of the principal Act the following subsections shall be substituted:—

(1) A person shall not give employment to a workman who has within the last previous six weeks, or such other period as may be provided by order of the Minister of Munitions as respects any class of establishment, been employed on or in connection with munitions work in any establishment of a class to which the provisions of this section are applied by order of the Minister of Munitions, unless he holds a certificate from the employer by whom he was last so employed or from a tribunals tribunal that he is free to accept other employment;

(2) If any workman or his trade union representative complains to a munitions tribunal, in accordance with rules made with respect to those tribunals, that an employer has unreasonably refused or neglected to issue such a certificate as aforesaid, that tribunal may, after examining into the case, if it thinks fit, itself issue such a certificate, or
order the issue of such a certificate by the employer"
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. 5, l. 12, by inserting at the end
thereof the words "No direction given under
this section shall be deemed to relieve the occu-
pier of any factory or workshop from the
obligation to comply with the provisions of the
Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 to 1911,
or of any orders or regulations made there-
under."—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

And the Question being put, That those
words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made
to the proposed Amendment to the Bill, in l. 4,
by adding at the end thereof the words "or
to affect the liability of any person to be pro-
cceeded against for an offence under the Em-
ployment of Children Act, 1903, so, however,
that no person be twice punished for the same
offence."—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That those words
be there added to the proposed Amendment to
the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words
"No direction given under this section shall
be deemed to relieve the occupier of any factory
or workshop from the obligation to comply with
the provisions of the Factory and Workshop
Acts, 1901 to 1911, or of any orders or regula-
tions made thereunder, or to affect the liability
of any person to be proceeded against for an
offence under the Employment of Children Act,
1903, so, however, that no person be twice
punished for the same offence." be there inserted
in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirma-
tive.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made
to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 13, by leaving out
Clause 6.—(Mr. Anderson.)

And the Question being put, That the words
proposed to be left out, to the word "a," in
p. 5, l. 13, 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. 5, l. 124, by inserting
at the end thereof, as a new subsection, the
words—

"(3) The tribunal to which matters and
questions relating to female workers are to
be referred under this section shall comprise
one or more women."—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

And the Question being proposed, That those
words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment to the Bill was
amended, by leaving out the word "comprise,"
and inserting the word "include."—(Mr. Leif
Jones), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words—

"(3) The tribunal to which matters and
questions relating to female workers are to
be referred under this section shall include
one or more women" 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. 6, l. 7, by inserting at the end
thereof the words—

"(c) the construction, alteration, repair, or
maintenance of docks and harbours in cases
where such work is certified by the Admiralty
to be necessary for the successful prosecution
of the war; and.

"(Mr. Lloyd George.)

And the Question being proposed, That those
words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment to the Bill was
amended, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word
"harbours," the words "and work in estuaries."—
(Mr. Holt.)

And the Question being put, That the words—

"(c) the construction, alteration, repair, or
maintenance of docks and harbours, and
work in estuaries, in cases where such work
is certified by the Admiralty to be necessary
for the successful prosecution of the war;
and"

be there inserted in 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. 6, l. 8, by inserting, after the
words last inserted, the words "and the main-
tenance of sewage systems of local authori-
ties."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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. 7, l. 18, by inserting at the end
thereof the words "Provided always that infor-
mation given under section eleven of the
principal Act, as amended by this or any
subsequent Act, shall be used only for the
purposes of such Acts, and any person commu-
nicating or attempting to communicate such
information to any person to whom the same
ought not, for the purposes aforesaid, to be
communicated shall be guilty of a breach of
official trust within the meaning of the Official
Secrets Act, 1889, and will on conviction be
liable to punishment as provided by that Act."

(Mr. Holt.)

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. 8, l. 3, by inserting at the end
thereof the words "Provided that notice of the
department of any powers and duties to any
other Government Department, with the name
of such Department and the powers and duties
so delegated, shall be first published in the
"Gazette" or in the "Board of Trade Journal."

(Mr. Holt.)

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. 9, l. 26, by leaving out Clause 17.

(Mr. Holt.)
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And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of a new Clause (Restriction on change from union to non-union labour).—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Restriction on change from union to non-union labour)—(Mr. Lloyd George)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had added a new Clause to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended on recommittal, 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 desire their concurrence.

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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 141.]

Wednesday, 5th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant January, be printed. No. 409.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Merchant directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Shipping Draft Order in Council reverting to the Scale (Mercantile Marine Fund) and Rules act out in the Second Schedule to Act, 1896, the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1896, for the purpose of the levying of Light Duties in pursuance of that Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the direction of the Supreme Court of Judicature of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 21st December 1915, under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, giving effect to Rules of Court.

Copy of Order made by the Lord Chancellor of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, with the concurrence of the Treasury, altering the fee payable by persons appointed to the Commission of the Peace in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Military Service proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to Military Service in connection with the present War. (The Prime Minister):—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 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 Military Service Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 142.]
Thursday, 6th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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 Saint George, Hanover Square, in the room of Sir Alexander Henderson, Baronet, 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. (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Land Registry (New Buildings) Act, 1900, and of the Expenditure; the money borrowed and the Securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1915 ; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1915, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (England and Wales), 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

Mr. Ransome presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Statement of the Income and Expenditure of the Board of Trade on Ramsgate Harbour for the year ended 31st March 1915; together with an Account of the Receipt and Issue of Stores.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brace presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Two Orders under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the Borough of Royal Leamington Spa, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the Borough of Royal Leamington Spa, and confirmed, with amendments, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law—Copies of Colonial Reports, Vol. 170.

No. 871 (Barbados, Report for 1914–15) and 872 (Falkland Islands, Report for 1914). Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Maceamara, supported by Mr. Balfour, Naval Forces presented a Bill to provide for placing certain officers and men of His Majesty's Naval Forces under Military Law whilst serving on Shore: 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 resuming Military the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Service upon the 5th day of this instant January, That (No. 2.) leave he be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to Military Service in connection with the present War. (The Prime Minister);

And the Question being again proposed:—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. Gulland,
Yea, | Lord Edmund Talbot ;
| 403.

Tellers for the | Mr. Holt,
Noes, | Mr. Whitehouse ;
| 105.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Prime Minister, Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, Mr. Balfour, Mr. Long, Mr. Herbert Samuel, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Tenant do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Prime Minister accordingly presented a Military Bill to make provision with respect to Military Service in connection with the present War; (No. 2) Bill 175.

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 the Supply 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 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 Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Emergency Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last.
Monday, 10th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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 Stafford (North Western Division), in the room of Albert Stanley, Esquire, deceased.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract relating to British India from 1804-5 to 1913-14. Forty-ninth Number.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bouar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report for 1914 on the Federated Malay States.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 336 to 345, inclusive, declaring the respective areas infected with Wart Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Food Production in Ireland, Minutes of Evidence, Minutes of Deliberative Conferences, and Appendices.

Mr. Birrell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Examiners' Rules made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montague presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts showing the moneys issued out of the Consolidated Fund, the moneys borrowed and the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Expenditure, under the provisions of the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Act, 1895, and other Acts, to the 31st March 1915; 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. Bruce presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County of Buckingham (Urban District of Slough and within one hundred yards thereof).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Territorial Schemes made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of Associations for the County of the City of London and the County of the City of Edinburgh under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That, with a view to increasing the Presumption of power of the Allies in the prosecution of the War, His Majesty's Government should enter into immediate consultation with the Governments of the Dominions, in order with their aid to bring the whole economic strength of the Empire into co-operation with our Allies in a policy directed against the enemy.—(Mr. Thursby.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was Adjourned.—(Mr. James Hope.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment.—(Mr. Walter Rea.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 11th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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 Portsmouth, in the room of Admiral Sir Charles William de la-Poor Beresford, G.C.M., G.C.V.O. (commonly called Lord Charles Beresford), who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the month of March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bouar Law presented, by His Colonial Department :—

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bouar Law presented, by His Colonial Department :

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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The Order of the day being read, for the
Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Courts Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—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 Monday next. —(Mr. Walter Rea.)

Naval Forces (Service on Shore) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Forces (Service on Shore) 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.

Military Service Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Service Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjourned.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn, and the Question being put :—It was resolved in the Affirmative,

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Navy Command,—Estimate of the additional number (Supplementary Estimate) of Officers and Men required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1916.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply ; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—Accounts of amount of all Exchequer Bills and other Government Securities purchased, and amount of balances of sums issued for the payment of Dividends, &c., for the year ending 5th January 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Tennant, supported by Mr. Forster, presented a Bill to amend the Army (Suspension of Sentences) Act, 1915: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next ; and to be printed.

The Navy Forces (Service on Shore) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —(Mr. James Hope.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Application of Army Act to naval forces serving on shore in certain cases).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the word "subject," to insert the words " for disciplinary purposes." (Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, at the end, to add the words " Provided that no person be twice punished for the same offence." —(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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 Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Customs 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. Deck.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provision as to mortgagees in possession).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Question put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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 now taken into consideration:

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 5, by leaving out the words "It is hereby declared that."—(Mr. King.)

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. 1, l. 9, by leaving out the words "other than mortgagees of land or some interest in land," and inserting the words "in relation to securities held by them as cover for account to account loan on any stock exchange, if those mortgagees can take, or could have taken, advantage of any scheme agreed to by His Majesty's Government for advances being made to those mortgagees in order to enable them to continue the loans"—(Mr. Solicitor General)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Solicitor General):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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Local Loans Fund. No. 418.

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 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 1915, with Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Service (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Obligation of unmarried men to serve).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "British subject," in order to insert the words "person born or naturalised in Great Britain."—(Mr. Ginnell.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "subject," to insert the words "resident in the United Kingdom at the date of the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the word "in," to insert the words "the United Kingdom of."—(Mr. Chambers.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the words "Great Britain," in order to insert the words "England and Wales."—(Mr. Hogge.)

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 the word "eighteen," in order to insert the word "twenty-one."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question put, That the word "eighteen" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Bridgeyeman: 235.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Thomas: 33.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the word "forty-one," in order to insert the word "thirty."—(Mr. Holt.)

Question put, That the word "forty-one" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Howard: 238.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Sherwell: 29.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the word " and."—(Mr. Cowan.)

Question, That the word " and" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words " dependent on him."—(Mr. Morrell.)

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. 11, at the end, to insert the words "or who, after the date above mentioned, may have attained, or during the course of the present war may attain, the age of eighteen years."—(Sir Iver Herbert.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

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 the Army Second Reading of the Army (Suspension of Sentences) (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Customs Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till 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; Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House Public Bills, a Return of the number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House or brought from the House of Lords during Session 1914–16, 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. 0,119 of Session 1914).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Select Committees Committees appointed in Session 1914–16 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 met, and the number of days each Member attended; the total expense of the attendance of Witnesses at each Select Committee, and the names 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. 0,122 of Session 1914).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Sittings of the House sat in Session 1914–16, stating for each day the date of the month and day of the week, the hour of the meeting and the 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. 0,124 of Session 1914).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Sanmed Finney, Esquire, Member for the New Member County of Stafford (North Western Division), sworn. was sworn.

Mr. Solicitor General, supported by Mr. Trading with Attorney General and Mr. Pretyman, presented the Enemy (Amendment) Bill. a Bill to amend the Trading with the Enemy (No. 2) Bill. Acts: And the same was ordered to be read a Bill 179, second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the Business of the House under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) (No. 2) Bill, be not interrupted.
Clause No. 1 (Obligation of unmarried men to serve).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words "or who, after the date above mentioned, may have attained, or during the course of the present war may attain, the age of eighteen years."—(Sir John Simon.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:
Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "Act," to insert the words "apply within fourteen days after the passing of the Act to the Military Service Tribunal established under this Act, in order that it may be determined whether he is entitled to a certificate of exemption, and if it is determined that he is not so entitled he shall be forthwith registered by the said tribunal as a person available for military service. His Majesty may, by Order in Council, declare that the total number of persons so registered is substantial, and thereafter those persons shall, as from the date named in such Order."—(Sir John Simon.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Leif Jones, | Yea, | 53.
Tellers for the | Mr. Whitehouse, | Noes, | 283.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "been," to insert the words "classified in the group to which he belongs by age and to have been."—(Mr. O'Grady.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out from the word "Act" to the first word "and," in l. 19.—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word "thereunder," to insert the words "after seven days' notice has been given to him."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "reserve," to insert the words "with the exception that persons guilty of an offence under this Act shall be tried by a court of summary jurisdiction."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising;
Mr. Booth rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined them to put that Question, as he was of opinion that the Committee was prepared almost immediately to come to a decision without that Motion:—Debate resumed.

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "reserve," to insert the words "Provided, that if such a person claims to have a conscientious objection to military service, the court may forthwith remit the case to the local tribunal, which shall deal with the claim as though it were an application made before the appointed date."—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out from the word "reserve" to the end of the subsection.—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "legal," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, at the end, to insert the words "Where a man is brought before a court of summary jurisdiction under this section and satisfies the court that he was honestly of opinion that he was exempt, the court shall order him to appear forthwith before the local tribunal, and if he then obtains a certificate of exemption he shall not be deemed to be guilty of an offence under this section."—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, after the word "naval," to insert the words "or territorial,"—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, after the words last added, to add the words "If any question arises as to whether a person is within the exceptions set out in the First Schedule to this Act or not, that question shall be determinable by the High Court, or in Scotland by the Court of Session, and that determination shall be conclusive."—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.
Clausse, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Certificates of exemption).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, after the word "date," to insert the words "or within such extended time as the tribunal may allow."—(Mr. Hamo Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, after the word "that," to insert the words "he is habitually engaged in an employment in which."—(Mr. Hodges.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, after the second word "in," to insert the words "or educated or trained for."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Wednesday, 18th January 1916.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, after the word "work," to insert the words "in
The Order of the day being read, for the Military Second Reading of the Military Service Bill; Service Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes after Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[No. 149.]

Wednesday, 19th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his York County, Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make West Riding a new Writ for the electing of a Member (Rotherham to serve in this present Parliament for the West County of York, West Riding (Rotherham Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Joseph Albert Pease, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of His Majesty's Postmaster General. (Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Spirits (Exports), which was presented upon the 18th (Exports.) day of this instant January, be printed. No. 420.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Business of this instant January, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Private Bills this instant January, for Returns relative to 2nd Private Bills and Private Business.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Public Bills this instant January, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Public Bills this instant January, for a Return relative to Public Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Select this instant January, for a Return relative to Committees. Select Committees.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of Sittings of this instant January, for a Return relative to the House. Sittings of the House.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Business of the House, Private Bills and Private Business, Public Bills, Public Petitions, and Select Committees be printed.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Hedworth Melv, New Member (commonly called the Honourable Sir Hedworth worn, Melv, G.C.B., K.G.V.O., Member for the Borough of Portsmouth, was sworn.

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 followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Munitions of Munitions War (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; of War (Amendment) Bill to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Munitions of War (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Service (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 (Certificates of exemption).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out paragraph (d), in order to insert the words—

"(d) on the ground that the applicant was, on the fifteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifteen, a member of the Society of Friends, or of any other recognised religious body one of whose fundamental tenets is an objection to all war."—(Mr. J. J. Hicks.)

Question, That the words "on the ground" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out from the word "ground" to the end of the paragraph, in order to insert the words "that he has made a declaration on oath before two justices that he entertains a conscientious objection to the undertaking of military service."—(Mr. Outhwaite.)

Question put, That the words "of a conscientious objection" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Bridgeman, 287. Mr. Beck : 37.]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Richard Lambert, 287. Mr. Trelawny : 37.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out the words "undertaking of combattant service," in order to insert the words "taking of human life."—(Major Newman.)

Question, That the words "undertaking of" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, after the word "of," to insert the words "military service or of."—(Mr. Edmund Horvey.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Whitehouse, 53. Mr. Anderson : 53.]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Walter Rea, 258. Mr. George Roberts : 258.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words—

"(e) on the ground that he is a medical student who can more advantageously complete his medical training, in order to render national service as a medical practitioner."—(Mr. Thomas.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, to leave out the words "if they think it just in the circumstances."—(Mr. Long.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) A military service tribunal may also grant a certificate of exemption from the provisions of this Act in any other case in which, on account of the special circumstances of the case, they think it reasonable to do so."—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 29, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 30, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, to leave out the words "after consultation with," in order to insert the words "with the consent of."—(Mr. Butcher.)

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. 32, to leave out from the word "men" to the word "employed," in l. 33.—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "Department," in p. 2, l. 32, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33, to leave out from the word "Department" to the end of l. 33.—(Mr. Ronald McNeill.)

Question put, That the first word "on," in l. 33, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Bridgeman, 238. Mr. Howard : 24.]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Richard Lambert, 287. Mr. Trelawny : 37.]

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33, after the word "employed," to insert the words "or engaged, or qualified for employment or engagement."—(Mr. Long.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "for," to insert the words "and desiring to accept."—(Mr. Sherwell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35, at the end, to insert the words "and such certificate of exemption granted under this section shall apply to all the men commonly following the occupation therein specified, irrespective of whether they are at any moment actually engaged under any contract of service or not."—(Mr. Hodge.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 1, to leave out the words " the Treasury," in order to insert the words " a Committee of seven Members of the House of Commons, to be appointed by Mr. Speaker."—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, at the beginning, to insert the words "Every certificate granted on the ground of such conscientious objections as is set out in paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of this section shall be absolute, but may take the form of an exemption from combatant service only."—(Mr. King.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question put, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. James Hope, Yeas : Mr. Beck : 200.)
Noes : Mr. Anderson, Mr. Goldstone : 44.

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Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words "No certificate of exemption shall be conditional upon the person to whom it is granted continuing in or entering into employment under any specified employer, or in any specified place or establishment."—(Sir John Simon.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 12, at the end, to add the words "Provided that, in the case of an application on conscientious grounds, the appeal shall lie to a special tribunal constituted as provided in that schedule."—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Supplemental provisions as to certificates of exemption).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 13, to leave out from the beginning to the word "may," in l. 17, in order to insert the words—

"(1) If it is made to appear to the authority by whom a certificate of exemption from the provisions of this Act was granted, either upon the application of the holder of the certificate or of any person generally or specially authorised for the purpose by the Army Council, that there is reason to believe that the circumstances which led to the granting of the certificate have materially changed, the authority may, after giving not less than seven clear days' notice to the person authorised as aforesaid or the holder, as the case may be, review the certificate, and upon such review the certificate shall be no longer valid, nor shall the person be entitled to have such certificate reviewed."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "may," in p. 3, l. 13, stand part of the Clause : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that the person whose certificate is under review shall have the right to be present and to speak or to be represented when the certificate is reviewed, and provided that at least seven days' notice shall be given to him before the certificate is reviewed."—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that a man who leaves his employment, or is temporarily out of employment, shall not be required to notify that he is out of employment, unless he does not intend to resume his former employment, or has not done so for a period of three months."—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 34, to leave out subsection (4), in order to insert the words—

"(4) If any person—

(a) obtains or attempts to obtain, whether for himself or any other person, by any false pretence or false representation, or by any threat, any certificate, or the renewal or variation of any certificate, of exemption from the provisions of this Act; or

(b) obtains or attempts to obtain by any false pretence or false representation the withdrawal of any such certificate; or

(c) with intent to prevent the issue, withdrawal, variation, or renewal of any such certificate makes any false statement; or

(d) with intent to prevent any person from applying for, or for the renewal or variation of, any such certificate uses any threat; or

(e) forges, destroys, defaces, alters, or tampers with any such certificate; he shall be liable upon summary conviction to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding three months, or to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds, or to both such imprisonment and such fine."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "exemption," in l. 34, stand part of the Clause : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 35, after the word "representation," to insert the words "with intent to deceive."—(Mr. Beauman.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted :Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 39, to leave out from the word "be" to the word "or" until," in l. 1, p. 4, in order to insert the words "deemed to have been enlisted."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)
Thursday, 20th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, the Copy of Account of Receipts and Payments of Local Taxation in Ireland for the financial year ended 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Copy of Revised Regulations relating to Imperial and Provincial Legislative Councils in India, incorporating amendments made from time to time.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, the Copy of Taxation (Ireland) Account for the year ended 31st March 1915; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and certain Reports upon Store Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, the Copy of the Sixtieth Report of the Registrar General on the Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Scotland for the year ended 31st March 1915; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and certain Reports upon Store Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House do sit to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Service (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the Business of the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of (No. 2) Bill) of the House.
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Question, That the word "fourteen" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Right of applicant to be heard by counsel or solicitor)—(Mr. King)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Proceedings before tribunals to be public)—(Mr. King)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Register of persons enlisted) and (Mr. Merritt)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule 1.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 6, to leave out paragraph 2.—(Mr. Neville.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, to leave out the words "liable for foreign service."—(Mr. Radford.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bridgeman, Yeas, ] 259. [(Mr. Howard: ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Radford, Nos, ] 27. [Mr. Readall: ]

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 9, after the word "merchant service."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 10, to leave out from the word "marines" to the end of paragraph 3.—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12, to leave out paragraph 4.—(Colonel Yale.)

Question proposed, That the word "men" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words "or members of a teaching religious order, or ecclesiastical students."—(Mr. Ginnell.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 13, after the words last inserted, to insert the words—

"5. Men who at the time of the passing of this Act were fully qualified medical practitioners, or registered dentists, or students at any hospital."—(Mr. King.)

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Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 15, to leave out from the word "force" to the end of paragraph 5.—(Captain Anery.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "rejected," in p. 5, l. 16, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

"(6) Until the last day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen, all men who are in attendance at a school or college for purposes of education, or under articles for the purpose of entrance into a profession."—(Mr. Needlegate.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

"(6) Men who, since the fifteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifteen, have lawfully left the United Kingdom and have continued to be absent therefrom."—(Mr. Austin Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

"(6) Men who have offered themselves for enlistment since the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and been rejected, and have subsequently married."—(Mr. Thomas.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule 2.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 22, to leave out from the word "Britain" to the word "consisting," in l. 24.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "registration," in l. 23, stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 23, to leave out the words "registration authority," in order to insert the words "Parliamentary Recruiting Committee."—(Mr. Wiles.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 25, to leave out the word "twenty-five," in order to insert the word "fifteen."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question, That the word "twenty-five" stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words "and among such persons there shall be included representatives of trade unions to the extent of one-half the number."—(Mr. Stephen Walsh.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 26, at the end, to insert the words "and such tribunals shall be composed of women to the extent of not less than one-fifth of the whole number."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, to leave out the words “by His Majesty,” in order to insert the words “in England and Wales by the Lord Chancellor, and in Scotland by the Lord President of the Court of Session for the time being.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words “by His Majesty” stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 30, to leave out paragraph (3).—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “or,” in l. 31, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, after the word “regulations,” to insert the words which shall forthwith be presented to Parliament.”—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 17, at the end, to add the words “No costs shall be payable to the Crown or the military authorities in respect of any proceedings or appeals under the Act. Costs of witnesses required to establish a claim for exemption shall be provided out of the county funds.”—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 17, at the end, to add the words “and such leave to appeal shall not be refused except by the unanimous decision of the members of the Appeal Tribunal that the grounds of appeal are frivolous.”—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Schedule, as amended, 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 upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Munitions of War (Amendment) 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 Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) (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 Army (Suspension of Sentences) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Bill;

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 Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant January, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till 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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Civil Service.) Copy of Abstract Account of the Receipts development into and Issues out of the Development Fund, in the year ended 31st March 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance Regulations made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, dated 5th January 1916, entitled (Scotland) the National Health Insurance (Deposit Con. (Administrative) tributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations No. 424. (Scotland), 1916.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Civil Service.)—Copy of Provisional Rules regarding Indian Candidates for the Indian Civil Service, dated 11th January 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Friday, 21st January 1916.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, Prisoners by His Majesty’s Command, — Copy of War Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting conditions in the Internment Camp at Ruhleben (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 13, 1915). Order of the day being read, for the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, under the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, to leave out the words “by His Majesty,” in order to insert the words “in England and Wales by the Lord Chancellor, and in Scotland by the Lord President of the Court of Session for the time being.”—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That the words “by His Majesty” stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 30, to leave out paragraph (3).—(Mr. Holt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “or,” in l. 31, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, after the word “regulations,” to insert the words which shall forthwith be presented to Parliament.”—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 17, at the end, to add the words “No costs shall be payable to the Crown or the military authorities in respect of any proceedings or appeals under the Act. Costs of witnesses required to establish a claim for exemption shall be provided out of the county funds.”—(Mr. Anderson.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 17, at the end, to add the words “and such leave to appeal shall not be refused except by the unanimous decision of the members of the Appeal Tribunal that the grounds of appeal are frivolous.”—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Schedule, as amended, 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 upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Munitions of War (Amendment) 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 Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) (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 Army (Suspension of Sentences) (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Bill;

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 Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant January, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till 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 Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order made by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Penzance.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Right Honourable Edwin Samuel Montagu, Member for the County of Cambridge (Western or Chesterton Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this day at Five or half an hour after Five of the clock, and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed.—

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Application of section six of the Customs (War Powers) Act, 1915) — (Mr. Solicitor General) — brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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 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 desire their concurrence.

The Army (Suspension of Sentences) (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill. —

(Mr. Walter Rea.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order made by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority under the Shops Act, 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Penzance.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Application of section six of the Customs (War Powers) Act, 1915) — (Mr. Solicitor General) — brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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 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 desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

The House was accordingly resolved into the Committee on the Customs (War Powers) (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Application of section six of the Customs (War Powers) Act, 1915) — (Mr. Solicitor General) — brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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 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 desire their concurrence.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Index to Treaty Series, 1915.

Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the safety of Alien Enemies repatriated from India on the Steamerh " Golconda."

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 Purchase Acts during the months of April and May 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of First Report, with Appendices, of the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Wales, 1914-15, of their proceedings under the Welsh Church Act, 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Fourteenth 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 1914-15.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Railway Servants (Hours of Labour) be printed.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, numbered D.I.P. 349 and 350, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, if under discussion at Eleven o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Permission to persons enlisted under this Act to join Territorial Force).—(Captain Cassel.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time.—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by leaving out the word "forty-one," and inserting the word "thirty" —(Mr. Holt.),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "forty-one" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 11, by leaving out the words "or was a widower without children dependent on him."—(Mr. Clough.)

And the Question being put, That the words "or was a widower without" 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. 2, by inserting, after the word "not," the words "this question shall be decided by a court of summary jurisdiction and."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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. 5, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words "No person to whom this section applies shall be employed against his will in any civil trade or industry."—(Mr. Sherwell.)

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. 12, by leaving out subsection (4) of Clause 1.—(Mr. Holt.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "hereafter," in l. 14, 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. 2, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "or," the words "on behalf or."—(Mr. Aumeria Williams.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting, after the word "work," the words "whether with a specified employer or not."—(Mr. Holt.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 28, by inserting at the end
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The word "marines" to the end of the paragraph.

(Mr. Pringle.)

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. 10, by leaving out the word "or."—(Mr. Rogge.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word or 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. 24, by inserting, after the word "enlistment," the words "or for a commission."—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

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. 6, l. 34, by inserting at the end thereof the words "such authority shall have power from time to time to appoint additional persons to be members of such local tribunal."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

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. 7, l. 1, 4, by leaving out paragraph (3).—(Mr. Watt.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "wholly," in l. 5, 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. 7, by leaving out from the word "Council" to the word "or," in l. 9.—(Mr. Watt.)

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. 3, l. 15, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that each man so exempted shall be entitled to receive from the department a separate certificate."—(Mr. King.)

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. 4, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "exemption," the words "other than an absolute certificate."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 22, by leaving out the words "such a," and inserting the words "a conditional"—(Mr. Pringle).—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. 6, l. 10, by leaving out from the word "marines" to the end of the paragraph.—(Mr. Pringle.)

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Runciman presented,—Return to an Merchant Order, dated the 23rd day of December last, Shipping (Casualties). No. 490.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order for a Return relative to the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899. No. 431.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

James Hill, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Bradford (Central Division), was sworn.

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 Naval Forces (Service on Shore) Bill, with an Amendment, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee and on consideration, be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings upon Government Business be not interrupted this evening, under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time, though opposed.---(Mr. Secretary Boswar Law.)

Mr. Speaker called the House together, and may be entered upon at any time, though opposed.---(Mr. Secretary Boswar Law.)

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Clause No. 1 (Power to deal with businesses of persons of enemy nationality).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "it appears to the Board of Trade."—(Sir John Harwood-Baker.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word "business," to insert the words "either of principal or agent."—(Mr. Fells.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "wholly or mainly," in order to insert the words "to any considerable extent."—(Mr. Pennfather.)

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. 10, after the word "mainly," to insert the words "and either directly or indirectly."—(Mr. Pelle.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "for any reason," in order to insert the words "in the national interest."—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.—(Mr. Jowit.)
Question, That the words "for any" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "it appears to them," in order to insert the words "they desire, with the consent of the Attorney General, that it is."—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, at the end, to insert the words—

"(b) requiring the business or any part thereof to be transferred to any person, firm, or company named in the order; or."

—(Mr. Ronald M'Neill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out the words "and shall be charged on such assets in priority to any other charges."

—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 24, after the word "enemies," to insert the words "persons, firms, or companies of enemy nationality or enemy association."—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, after the word "persons," to insert the words "who are not enemies or controlled by enemies."

—(Mr. Roselinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35, after the word "territory," to insert the words "neutral territory."—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that the claims of persons who are not enemies, whether as creditors, shareholders, partners, or otherwise interested in the enemy business, or in any business in enemy territory of which the enemy business is a part or branch or agency, shall rank against the assets of the business so sold or wound up in priority to the claims of persons in enemy territory."—(Mr. Roselinson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 34, after the words last inserted, to add the words—

"(8) The Board of Trade shall from time to time prepare and lay before Parliament lists of the persons, firms, and companies as to whom orders have been made under this section, together with short particulars of such orders."—(Mr. Pretyman.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, after the second word "time," to insert the words "at intervals of not more than two months."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Proposed words there added.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

 Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Power of Board of Trade to vest enemy property in custodian).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, to leave out the words "Board of Trade," in order to insert the words "High Court."—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

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. 10, after the word "including," to insert the words "goodwill, copyright, patent rights, registered trade marks, licences, and."—(Mr. Ronald M'Neill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 15, after the word "selling," to insert the words "either for cash or on credit."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 16, at the end, to insert the words "or may require the custodian to transfer the property or any part thereof to any person, firm, or company named in the order, subject to such terms or conditions as the Board may direct."—(Mr. Ronald M'Neill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 34, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) Where a vesting order has been made by the Board of Trade under the provisions of this Act, or by the High Court under the provisions of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1914, the Board of Trade shall, on the application of any person, firm, or company, not being an enemy, claiming to be a creditor of the enemy in respect of whose property such vesting order has been made, direct all such accounts and inquiries to be taken by one of the masters of the Chancery Division in the High Court as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of ascertaining, and such master shall certify what is, the amount owing from the enemy to such applicant, or, if the Board of Trade shall think fit, the total debts or claims of persons, firms, or companies, not being enemies, against such enemy, and the applicant, or any such person, firm, or company, whose debt is so certified shall be entitled to enter at the Central Office of the High Court final judgment against the enemy in respect of such claim."—(Sir John Harwood-Banner.)

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, after the first word "Act," to insert the words "and the Trading with the Enemy (Vesting and Application of Property) Rules, 1915, thereunder."—(Sir John Harmood-Baunan.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, at the end, to add the words—

"(6) For the purpose of returns to be made to the custodian under sections two and three of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1914, and clauses one and two of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1915, where any sums the subject of such returns are expressed in marks, and for the purposes of ascertaining the sterling equivalent of debts owing by any enemy under the said Acts, the rate of exchange to be taken shall be one pound for every twenty marks fifty pfennigs."—(Sir John Harmood-Baunan.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Right of custodian to have enemy patent granted to him).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, L. 1, at the beginning, to insert the words "The powers conferred on the Board of Trade by section one of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks (Temporary Rules) Act, 1914, and clause one of the regulations made thereunder, on the application of any person, to avoid or suspend patents or licences granted to a subject of any state at war with His Majesty, shall be and are hereby extended to the avoidance or suspension, on or without such application, of any provisional protection under."—(Sir William Beale.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 1, to leave out the word "If."—(Sir George Croydon Marks.)

Question proposed, That the word "If" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Duration of restrictions or dealings with enemy property).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 15, to leave out from the word "until" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "Parliament shall otherwise determine."—(Mr. Ronald McNeill.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "such," in l. 15, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 6 and No. 7 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Power to refuse registration of companies in certain cases).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 8, after the word "company," to insert the words "or a limited partnership."—(Sir Clifford Cory.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 10, to leave out the words "a subject of a state at war with His Majesty," in order to insert the words "an enemy subject."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment proposed, at the end, to add the words "not authorized to conduct business in the United Kingdom."—(Mr. Annon Bryce.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 15, to leave out the words "unless made with the consent of the Board of Trade."—(Mr. Pennerather.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 16, after the word "void," to insert the words "as against the enemy subject."—(Mr. Annon Bryce.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 9 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 10 agreed to.

Clause No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Duty of enemy subjects to make returns as to property)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Definitions)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Determination of contracts)—(Mr. Morton)—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 (Trading with branch of enemy firm in British, allied, or neutral territory)—(Mr. Butcher)—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.

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 now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Then 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.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Closing Order under the Shoppers Act, 1912, made by the Urban District Council of Athlone.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account of the Unemployment Fund established pursuant to Section 92 (1) of the National Insurance Act, 1911, Part II., showing the Receipts and Payments during the period 13th July 1913 to 14th July 1914; 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. Long presented,—Return to an Order, Pauperism dated the 23rd day of July last, for a Return (England and Wales) relative to Pauperism (England and Wales).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Correspondence relating to Disturbances in Ceylon.

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:

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Correspondence relating to Disturbances in Ceylon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Warwick Brooks, Esquire, Member for the New Member Borough of Tower Hamlets (Mile End Division), sworn, was called.

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 Customs (War Customs Powers) (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Army (Suspension of Sentences) (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Military Service (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, the House, having noted the
ovem the imports into neutral countries bordering on enemy territory of goods essential to the enemy for the prosecution of the war, urges the Government to enforce as effective a blockade as possible, without interfering with the normal requirements of those neutral countries for internal consumption—(Mr. Shirley Brans) —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant January, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Courts (Emergency Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Military Service Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 3rd day of February last, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 27th January 1916.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 25th January 1916, made by the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations, 1916.

Copy of Regulations, dated 24th January 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (No. 2), 1915.

Copy of Regulations, dated 29th January 1916, made by the Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly with the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (Wales) (No. 2), 1915.

Copy of Return for the year ended 31st March 1915 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.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table: and that the Papers relative to National Health Insurance Commission (England) (Regulations), National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) (Regulations), National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) (Regulations), and National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1913 (Accounts), be printed.

Mr. Tenant, presented, by His Majesty’s Army Command,—Copy of Report of Recruiting in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel, presented, by His spontaneous Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence to the First Report of the Departmental Committee on Spontaneous Combustion of Coal in Mines.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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 1914–16, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto, Thirtieth Parliament, Fifth Session, 5th and 6th George V., 11th November 1914 to 27th January 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Right Honourable Joseph Albert Pease, Now Member for the County of York (Southern Part makes of the West Riding, Rotherham Division), made Affirmation, and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Military take into consideration the Amendments made Service by the Lords to the Military Service (No. 2) Bill, (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, according to Order, proceeded to Trading with take into consideration the Amendments made Service by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) (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.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Royal Asnet, 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:

6. Army (Suspension of Sentences) Amendment Act, 1916.

And afterwards His Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor, in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

For eighteen months My Navy and Army have been engaged, in concert with brave and steadfast Allies, in defending our common liberties and the public law of Europe against the unprovoked encroachments of the enemy. I am sustained by the determination of My people at home and overseas to carry our flag to a final and decisive victory.

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 fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, to be then here helden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.
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